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## **LATTE Pamphlet Information**

Merit Contractors Association, Alberta Construction Association and Red Deer Construction Association are funding a two year Learning About Trades and Technology Education (LATTE) pilot program in the Red Deer area. We will be working with your local school divisions to offer this innovative hands-on professional development experience to teachers and administrators. We hope that you will take this unique opportunity to learn about and experience the exciting skilled-trades of the construction industry by joining us for LATTE. Below is a summary of the LATTE program.

Teachers or administrators are placed for two full workdays with a local construction company in order to fully experience the true nature of our positive industry. The program will operate on a one for one basis; meaning that LATTE will offer to financially cover a professional development day and the division will sponsor the other professional development days.

Our goal is that through this professional development, your experience will strengthen your ability to help students achieve the career-focused outcomes of the 2013 Ministerial Order on Student Learning Outcomes. By experiencing the world of construction first-hand, we hope this will assist you:

- to build long-term partnerships with business,
- provide students a realistic picture of construction careers, and
- demonstrate the relevance of their current studies as necessary tools for their future careers.

### **Application**

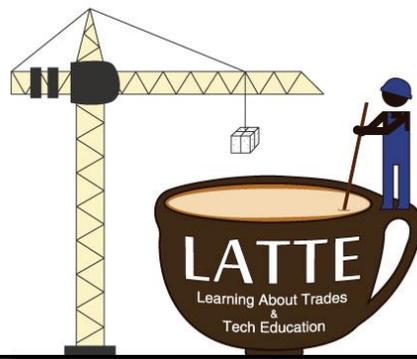
Teachers and administrators submit an application to participate in the program to the Red Deer Construction Association. This will consist of a simple one page information request and questionnaire available through the Red Deer Construction Association by emailing Gary Gies at [gary.rdca@telus.net](mailto:gary.rdca@telus.net)

### **Orientation**

Those selected to participate by the Red Deer Construction Association will be provided with orientation materials and be required to work with the Red Deer Construction Association to finalize their placements. Prior to the placement days the participant will need to pick up their personal protective equipment (PPE) from the Red Deer Construction Association office.

### **Day One**





The first day will be working in the company's offices where the participant will be shadowing either one or multiple people throughout that day. This first day will allow participants to understand what the company does and some of the processes it undertakes to accomplish its projects. This time will also be used to continue the participants' understanding of safety protocols, especially company specific ones. This will also be the time where companies work with you to try and ensure the information you are looking to access through this professional development program is made available to you so that your needs and the needs of students are met, whether it is career information or learning outcomes.

### Day Two

The second day of the placement will take place in the company's field operations. Participants will be placed with a staff member who will explore a jobsite, showcasing the duties of multiple individuals, as well as their own. Tools and technology used for the project will be explained and when possible exemplified. The project plan will be discussed as best as possible in order to provide a holistic view of the building process.

### Follow-up

Participants will complete an exit questionnaire and report, as well as discuss their experience with some or all of their classes upon their return to their school.

