



NATIONAL SKILLS WEEK

MORE THAN YOU KNOW

2017

How can you get your students involved in National Skills Week 2017?

- Invite an Australian Apprenticeships Ambassador to speak - www.australiantrainingawards.gov.au/story
- Invite an apprentice who has completed their apprenticeship to talk to students about their experience
- Organise for students to visit a TAFE institute and/or Registered Training Organisation (RTO), (member of ACPET)
- Get students to describe their passion and what they enjoy, and then have them identify and link this to vocational pathways
- Have students research quality Private Training Providers through the ACPET Catalogue
- Invite a representative from a RTO or Group Training Organisation (GTO) to address students
- Invite a selection of employers who represent different industries to talk to students about their particular industry
- Invite an employer organisation representative from the National Farmers' Federation, Australian Chamber of Commerce, or Australian Industry Group to address students
- Organise a parent and daughter dinner or night for attendees to be addressed by successful women who have succeeded in non-traditional trades. E.g. more women are going into engineering, electrical, building and construction, mining, and agriculture
- During National Skills Week, SkillsOne Television will be running programming opportunities and careers in the vocational sector on Foxtel (Aurora - Channel 183). Details of the programming and times will be found at www.skillsone.com.au
- If schools have VET courses, the school may consider organising a VET taster day
- Build relations with the community. E.g. ask the local baker, butcher, florist etc. to attend school and talk to students about their industry.
- As a whole class activity, develop a word bank that describes Vocational Education. I.e. skills, hands on, learning, job security, well paid, opportunities etc.
- Ask students to map a parent, sibling, or cousins career pathway, then present it to the whole class. E.g. Dad: Completed a glazier apprenticeship after 4 years, worked with Johnson's building supplies as a glazier for 7 years, opened his own business as a handyman, and is now his own boss.
- Get students to investigate and research useful websites where they can gain information about careers, pathways, and Vocational Education, generally, for example:

ACPET Catalogue www.acpetcatalogue.edu.au

Career in the Building and Construction Industry www.constructmycareer.com.au

Career info for people with a disability www.jobaccess.gov.au

Defence Jobs www.defencejobs.gov.au

Discover Hospitality www.discoverhospitality.com.au

IT Careers www.aiia.com.au

Job Outlook www.joboutlook.gov.au

My Skills www.myskills.gov.au

Real Stories, Real Achievements

<http://www.australiantrainingawards.gov.au/story>

Rural Skills Australia www.agrifoodcareers.com.au

SkillsOne www.skillsone.com.au

Smart and Skilled www.smartandskilled.nsw.gov.au

The Job I Love www.thejobilove.com.au/

Inspire people to discover and use their talent through quality vocational education and convince others of its real value to individuals and society.