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CALL FOR WORKSHOP PRESENTERS:

**DUE DATE:
JAN. 19, 2018**

RESERVE THE DATES!!

2018 OCEA Spring Conference

#LifeLongLearners

April 22nd, 23rd & 24th, 2018

The Westin Prince, Toronto

900 York Mills Road

North York, ON M3B 3H2

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FROM THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION:



The course descriptors and new course code for Creating Opportunities through Co-op was sent in a memo to Directors of Education on December 7, 2017.

The announcement and funding to support the hiring of a new position for an Experiential Learning Coordinator was sent to Directors of Education on November 30, 2017.

The Call for Proposals for community-connected experiential learning projects for 2018 was sent to Directors of Education on December 4, 2017.

Career Studies projects are underway for 2017-18. The Career Studies course will continue as a mandatory half-credit course.

These memos are posted on the [ministry website](#).

WORKPLACE SAFETY & PREVENTION SERVICES (WSPS):

is proud to offer the Health & Safety Awareness Presentation (HSAP). HSAP provides students entering the workplace with crucial information they need to ensure their health and safety on the job. Offered free of charge, these sessions are designed to be delivered to classrooms of any size, including general assemblies or joint assemblies within a family of schools. Sessions are presented by trained WSPS volunteers, all of whom are fully vetted with proper vulnerable sector checks in place. Many volunteers are current or retired occupational health & safety professionals; all of them are passionate about keeping young workers safe on the job!

While every effort is made to accommodate all requests, sessions are booked on a first-come, first-served basis. To request a session at your school, please complete the Booking Request Form found [here](#) and submit to: hsapregistrations@wsps.ca

[HSAP-Booking-Form](#)

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HALEY M.: TRIC-MIC'S LEGACY:



When Haley M. was a little girl playing in her garage, she imagined herself making the same diagnoses and repairs as her late-grandfather, Tric-Mic: "He'd give me toy tools, and I'd really believe I was working on a tire with him," she said. Haley's passion followed her all the way to high school, where her student success team encouraged her to take the Automotive Service Technician Level One Apprenticeship dual credit program at Canadore College together with a co-op at a local garage. "When I'm at co-op or in the shop at the college, and I can see right in front of me something that I will actually need to be able to do later, I'm already ahead. When it comes to this trade, I am fully engaged."

Haley has also come to value communicating her learning process, wanting to teach the steps she's learning to others: "My goal is to be fluent when talking about the trade – to be able to explain it to others – something I couldn't do before I came here," she said. When asked what advice she had for students considering taking a dual credit, Haley didn't want them to let their fear of transitioning from high school to college get in their way: "At first, I thought I'd have to prove myself, but it's not scary once you're actually here. The idea is scarier than the reality. Go for it!"

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In the true SPIRIT of the HOLIDAY SEASON, we extend to you our sincerest APPRECIATION for your partnership and SUPPORT.



May your HOLIDAYS be filled with JOY and good CHEER and may the NEW YEAR bring you PEACE, HAPPINESS, and an abundance of SUCCESS.