



BC WILDFIRE SERVICE JR. FIRE CREW WORK EXPERIENCE CAMP



CAREER EDUCATION

“From the perspective of BCWS it was an absolute pleasure to meet the new generation of adults and see how they overcome the challenges that are present in the world of wildland firefighting.” ~ Brad Warnock (Employer)



✓ Transitions - Meaningful Pathways Beyond Graduation

The Career Education Department partnered with BCWS to hold its annual Jr. Fire Crew Work Experience camp over Spring Break. 10 students (grades 11, 12) with an interest in firefighting as a potential career option, participated in 6 days of training and career simulation activities. Students earned 2 separate First Aid credentials, completed training modules around topics such as basic fire suppression, fire safety and entrapment avoidance, navigation, pumps & water delivery, wilderness survival and much more! This was a full week of learning, capped off with a practical field day with BCWS firefighters. Students participated in scenarios, worked hands-on with various pieces of equipment, and experienced, first-hand, a day in the life of a Forest Firefighter. Two of our grade-12 students, as successful graduates of this camp, will be granted the opportunity to receive paid summer employment as bona fide Jr. Firefighters with BCWS!

“[This experience] gave me a realistic view of wildland firefighting and the knowledge and confidence to apply and work in this field.” ~ Christi (Student)

