



ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
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## **MEDIA RELEASE: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### ***ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC TEACHERS GET FIRST HAND LOOK AT POST SECONDARY CAREER PATHWAYS***

Teachers in St. Clair Catholic's two secondary schools will be headed to college on the November 21, 2014 Professional Development Day, to get better acquainted with post-secondary pathways that lead students to rewarding careers.

"This exciting and innovative day will help to further build on important partnerships we have developed with our colleges and local work force development boards," says Dan Parr, Director of Education.

"We have always done, and will continue to do, an excellent job preparing students who are headed to university; but we also want to redouble our efforts to honour the non-university pathway that prepares students for the many meaningful and gratifying careers that are available through colleges, apprenticeships and school-to-work programs," says Mr. Parr.

During the PD day, teachers and guidance counsellors at St. Patrick's Catholic High School in Sarnia and Ursuline College in Chatham will be signing up for college tours and interactive programs including hospitality and tourism, digital photography, occupational and physical therapy and developmental service work.

There will also be off-site tours available of the Research Park in Sarnia; and Devolder Farms and Greenhouses, Boralex Wind Farm and Tilbury Anchor Danly Fabrications in Chatham-Kent, to name a few.

This important event is directly tied to one of the goals of the Board's new Strategic Plan, which was adopted by the Board of Trustees in June, 2014. It is a commitment to prepare students for academic and practical success through innovative career-based opportunities in colleges, cooperative education and apprenticeships.

"I want to thank our Catholic Curriculum Services team for arranging this novel PD opportunity for our secondary teachers and guidance counsellors, which will help them to better serve our students," says Mr. Parr.

***An itinerary for both the St. Patrick's and UCC tours follows this media release. Members of the media are welcome to join the tour.***

## Ursuline College

### Professional Development Day

Friday, November 21, 2014

8:00-2:30

#### Pathways Awareness and Exploration

- 8:00-8:30 Bus transportation from UCC to St. Clair College
- 8:30-9:00 Arrival to St. Clair College –refreshments provided
- 9:00-9:30 Welcome and remarks – highlights of the College
- 9:30-11:30 Group Tours of the Programs in action:
- Powerline program tour
  - Healthplex Tour for Fitness and Health/Occupational Therapist/  
Physio-Therapist
  - Mary Uniac Health Centre for Health Sciences program
  - Developmental Service worker program
- 11:30-12:15 Boxed lunch available – lunch in Healthplex
- 12:30-2:30 Choice of 3 tours: Buses available for all 3 tours

Teachers choose **no later than November 14** using ERO:

1. Tilbury Anchor Danly Fabrications (manufacturing SHSM)
2. DeVolder Farms Greenhouses in Dover Centre followed by  
Boralex Wind Farm tour in Mitchell's Bay (Environment SHSM)
3. Community Living, Habitat Restore and United Way tours (Non-  
profit SHSM)



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**St. Patrick's High School**  
**Professional Development Day**  
**Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014**  
**8:30 am – 2:30 pm**  
**Lambton College Event Centre**

**AGENDA**

- 8:30 – 8:45           Arrival (Coffee, Tea, Water available)
- 8:45 – 9:00           Welcome
- 9:00-10:00           Presentations (by Deans and SCWI Manager)
- 10:00-10:15          Enactus Presentation for **Tour A**
- Bus Loading for **Tour B**
- 10:15-11:45          **Tour A:** Lambton College Tour with interactive stops which include:
- Mock-tails with Hospitality & Tourism/Culinary
  - Photo Booth with Digital Photography
  - Make your own Electrical Cord at Skills Trade Centre
  - Tour entire College lead by Recruitment with Student Ambassadors
- Tour B:** Research Tour – bus picks group up at the Lambton College Event Centre and tours:
- Sustainable Smart Home
  - ALTE Lab
  - Research Park
- 11:45-12:00          Everyone returns to the Lambton College Event Centre
- 12:00-12:15          Presentation on the Jack Project
- 12:15-12:45          Lunch
- 12:45-1:00           Enactus Presentation to **Tour B**
- Bus Loading for **Tour A**
- 1:00 – 2:30           **Tour A:** Research Tour
- Tour B:** Lambton College Tour