

WOMEN IN TRADES AND TECH FIELD TRIP



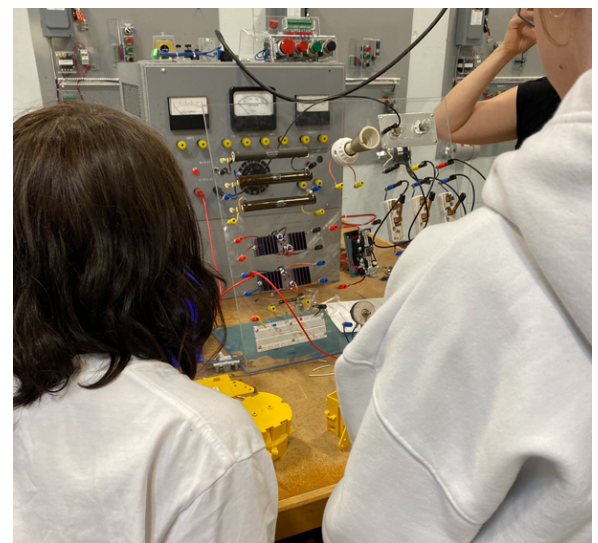
KUDOS TO CAMOSUN FOR AN AWESOME DAY OF HANDS ON LEARNING



The WITT - Women in Technology and Trades - Field Trip to Camosun was a huge success. Students from SD63 were welcomed with open arms and provided with a day of exciting hands on learning in various departments of technology and trades, had a chance to win prizes, and even given lunch! Opportunities for exploration included Electrical, Culinary, Computer Science, Electronics, Sheet Metal, Automotive, Camosun Innovates and Mechanical Engineering. The day started with WITT Keynote speakers delivering inspirational and motivational speeches highlighting the need for trades people now and even more in the near future with a large portion of the work force soon to be retiring. Right now women make up only 5% of the trades force, but the BC Government has a goal to increase that to 20% - It's looking good for WITT!



Fancy tarts fit for a queen! Empty tart shells, strawberries, piping bags full of custard cream, chocolate rolls and pearls were provided. After a lesson from their Red Seal Certified chef instructor, students were left to their own creativity and the results were spectacular. And delicious!



Let's get coding! In the Computer Science lab, students learned how to code a dance party using **code.org** with their choice of music and characters. Who knew that Computer science or "software creation" could be so much fun!



In the Electrical Foundation building, students learned how to safely and effectively use tools and equipment prevalent in the electrical trade, in accordance with current standards, practice and code. Students used logic and problem solving skills while working together with their group to solve an electrical puzzle.