

FROM THE CLASSROOM TO THE WORKPLACE

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— 2015 —

ESSENTIAL SKILLS EDUCATORS FORUM

HIGHLIGHTING NUMERACY

Thursday, May 28th 2015 from 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon at the Skills Canada National Competition – Prairieland Park, Saskatoon

THE FACTS

- 74% of employers find essential skills relevant to their business (ABC Life Literacy, 2013)
- The level of essential skills required in the skilled trades and technology careers is as high or higher than it is for many other jobs.
- Employers report that graduates are coming to their workplace with only 30% of the skills needed for the job
- Canadians aged 16-24 rank below average in their literacy and numeracy skills compared to 23 other countries (OECD, 2012)
- Essential Skills are linked to better performance, which then leads to better quality work, productivity, and retention.

Having an employee with a higher level Essential Skills is much more valuable to potential employers because the individual will have:

- an attention to safety
- the ability to work in a team setting
- a greater aptitude in problem solving
- better client service skills
- an ability to adapt to change
- an advanced knowledge of numerical skills, including estimation, budgeting and calibrations

Skills shortages remain a significant challenge for Canada. Our country supports initiatives that help ensure Canadians have the essential skills needed to participate fully in the labour market and in their communities.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

**TEACHERS / GUIDANCE COUNSELLORS / CAREER COUNSELLORS /
HR MANAGERS / ADMINISTRATORS / PARENTS**

WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND?

- It is free
- Meet other colleagues in my field
- Share my experiences and learn from others
- Be inspired to bring back information and make change
- Meet experts in the field of essential skills and trades and technology training
- Attend the Skills Canada National Competition 2015
- Could even meet a celebrity!



DIGITAL



DOCUMENT USE



ORAL
COMMUNICATION



READING
TEXT



NUMERACY



THINKING



WORKING
WITH OTHERS



WRITING



CONTINUOUS
LEARNING