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## Siemens employees inspire Canadian youth

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Siemens Canada announces partnership with Halton Learning Foundation to support education at Garth Webb Secondary School

This fall, Siemens Canada is introducing an educational program with Halton Learning Foundation. This partnership aligns with Siemens' goals to foster the development of young people and encourage future technology-related careers. In addition to a \$15,000 donation by Siemens, the program will provide student mentorship and guided tours of Siemens manufacturing facilities.

The Halton Learning Foundation is a charity that enriches educational opportunities and eliminates economic barriers to learning for Halton District School Board students. Siemens' donation will directly impact students who require additional financial assistance as well as support a new "state-of-the-art" Advanced Manufacturing and Robotics program at Oakville's Garth Webb Secondary School. Both programs give students the opportunity to specialize, gain qualifications and plan a career path in various areas of the manufacturing sector, while still in high school.

From November, Siemens Canada employees will volunteer their time to motivate, guide and mentor for students at Garth Webb high school. Volunteers will lead grade 11 and 12 career and law classes providing valuable insights into the working world, and the changing technologies that are shaping the future.

Students will also have an opportunity to visit Siemens' manufacturing facilities to learn first-hand about the typical work day. The first trip is to Siemens' wind turbine manufacturing facility in Tillsonburg, Ontario. In addition, Garth Webb students will also be invited to Siemens Canada's head office in Oakville on November 5, Take Our Kids To Work Day.

## QUOTES

"We are very proud to partner with the Halton Learning Foundation, to foster the development of young people and enhance their educational opportunities. This program allows us to engage our employees, mentor and encourage our future generation to pursue technology-focused careers."

- Robert Hardt, President and CEO of Siemens Canada Limited

"Engaging students in technological education programs is one of the most important factors in creating tomorrow's highly skilled workforce. This generous donation and support by Siemens Canada will go a long way in creating an engaging environment for our students, while also fostering a very positive partnership between education and the workplace."

- David Lewis, Coordinator, Technological Education and Pathways, New Street Education Centre.

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For more than 100 years the innovative ideas from Siemens have helped make Canada a better place. From the Atlantic to Pacific oceans, more than 4,500 employees in Canada work together to provide answers that last in the fields of industry, energy, healthcare and infrastructure solutions for cities. Since it was federally chartered in 1912, Siemens has stood for technical achievements, innovation, quality and reliability. Sales for Siemens in Canada in fiscal 2013 (ended September 30), were \$2.0 billion CAD. The company has 46 offices and 18 manufacturing/assembly facilities across Canada. Further information is available at

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