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QUICK FACTS

Allison is an RSE Welder and Metal Fabricator and is currently the coordinator for the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Women In Trades and Technology (WITT) Program. Recently, Allison has also taken on coordinating the Newcomer Project. The Girls In The Classroom project was fortunate to have Allison share her enthusiasm for women in trades and technology at the following event:

Event: Trades and Technology Exploration

School: Various

Mine Cycle Stage: Discovery, Plan, Mine, Reclaim

Grade Level: 8 to 12

Date: December 12, 2019

Curriculum Connection: Career Pathing

Lesson Plan: www.girlsintheclassroom.org

Q&A WITH ALLISON

Why did you want to be a part of the “Girls in the Classroom – Unearthing Career Opportunities in Mining” project?

I enjoy working with young women who are interested in ‘non-traditional’ trades. It is so rewarding to see the interest in their eyes and to see the excitement in them as they learn about all the career possibilities that are available to them.

From your perspective, what was the most meaningful information that you shared with the class?

The most meaningful information that I shared with the students would have been my journey through the trades. The lessons that I’ve learned and about the mentors I have had throughout my career.

How does the project benefit the various stakeholders (teachers, student, industry reps/company and industry as a whole)?

The project benefits everyone from the industry reps who are promoting their companies to the students who are absorbing all this new information. These students are being introduced to networking opportunities at such a young age and to more information than the generations before them ever had a chance to experience.