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## Districts 6 & 8 Non Traditional Career Fair

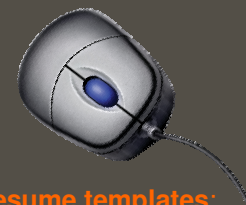
The 6th annual Non Traditional Career Fair is expanding to a 2 day event (**Tuesday March 22nd, and Wednesday March 23, 2011**). Grade 11 and selected grade 12 students from 10 high schools in School Districts 6 & 8 will attend the fair with an evening session being held for parents and the general public.

Over 2000 students will visit the career fair to discover the many opportunities that exist in our community. This will hopefully encourage them to begin planning for careers in preparation for their graduation from high school. Businesses, training schools, community service groups and representatives from government will be in attendance representing the diverse labour market in the Greater Saint John area and Kings County.

They will provide informative and interactive displays to encourage students to ask questions and start thinking about their future career goals. Presenters will use their creativity in staging demonstrations, physical props of job-related equipment, information handouts, promotional items, samples, or other things they feel would help students obtain a good understanding of their organization and/or the career field they represent

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### Resume templates:

Microsoft Online:  
<http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/templates>

College Grad.com:  
[www.collegegrad.com](http://www.collegegrad.com)

### Job Banks:

Service Canada Job Bank:  
[www.jobbank.gc.ca](http://www.jobbank.gc.ca)

CareerBeacon:  
[www.careerbeacon.com](http://www.careerbeacon.com)

### Job Search/Interviews:

Monster (Canada)  
<http://content.monster.ca/section2000.asp>

Workopolis  
[/www.workopolis.com](http://www.workopolis.com)

Quintessential Careers  
[www.quintcareers.com](http://www.quintcareers.com)

# District 6 & 8 Non-Traditional Career Fair

## So what's so "non traditional" about this event?

The career fair is based on presenting five of the six options available to students once they graduate from high school;

Apprenticeship  
Community College  
Direct to Work  
Military  
Private Training

The only missing post secondary option in this career fair is University. Make no mistake, a university education is an equally viable option as the other five destinations listed above.

However, there are separate career fairs through Districts 6 and 8 specifically showcasing universities for students.

In fact, students and parents have become so well acquainted with the opportunities afforded through a university education that some of the other post secondary opportunities may have a tendency to become overlooked.

The evening of March 22nd will be open to the public from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. This will allow parents and community members to conduct their own research on the local labour market and explore their career options.

### Admission is free!

The District 6 & 8 Non-Traditional Career Fair provides individuals with a unique opportunity to talk with employers and educators from post secondary institutions to obtain helpful tips on how to prepare for success in a career of their choice.

To make the most of this opportunity, people are encouraged to come to the Career Fair prepared with questions to ask the presenters.

Another helpful way to prepare for the event is to visit the list of presenters. The presenters who will be attending the event are listed on our website and will have their websites linked so anyone attending the event can familiarize themselves with the various organizations and hopefully be well prepared to make the most of their time here at the event.

The Non-Traditional Career Fair will be held at the Kings Valley Wesleyan Church, Hampton Road in Quispamsis.

For sample questions to ask presenters, the list of presenters attending with links to their websites, and a map to the venue please visit:

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## LABOUR MARKET

January 2011

### CANADA COMPARED TO NEW BRUNSWICK

In December, Canada's unemployment rate was 7.6%, unchanged over last month but 0.8 of a percentage point lower than the same time last year. New Brunswick's rate of 9.4% was 0.9 of a percentage point lower than last month but 0.5 of a percentage point higher than the same time last year, when it stood at 8.9%.

<http://www.gnb.ca/0126/pdf/LMIJanuary2011.pdf>

## MINIMUM WAGE

New Brunswick

September 1st, 2010, to March 31st, 2011, \$9 per hour.

April 1st, to Aug.31st 2011, \$9.50 per hour.

On and after Sept 1st, 2011, \$10 per hour.

The Work Room Career Resource Centres are funded through the Department of Post-secondary Education, Training and Labour and School Districts 6 and 8.

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