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- Student Stock Exchange
- ACE\*Bishop's (Advancing Canadian Entrepreneurship)
- Dobson-Lagassé Centre for Entrepreneurship, **Bishop's University**
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## Entrepreneurship... **Unlock the Possibilities!!**

The three CEDECs supporting the English-speaking community within the Montérégie area partnered with four English Schools Boards to bring tomorrow's leaders together for a prestigious inter-school board event where youth exchanged ideas, networked and collaborated in a workshop environment.

More than 100 Secondary V and Adult Education students from all corners of the Montérégie converged at Heritage Regional High School in Saint-Hubert on March 16, 2006. This unique, interactive and capacity-building experience was designed to promote entrepreneurial values such as innovation, teamwork, social responsibility and leadership.

Keynote speaker, David Rittenhouse, Director of the Dobson-Lagassé Centre for Entrepreneurship



as an entrepreneur, teacher and active community member, setting the stage for a fun and hands-on learning experience for these young adults.

Some of the students' own entrepreneurial ideas and ventures were on display alongside the likes of partners such as the Student Stock Exchange, Service Canada and Carre-

four jeunesse emploi. This was an excellent opportunity for everyone to see some of the



wonderful entrepreneurship projects coming out of our schools. Students from other schools and boards were genuinely interested in the work their peers were doing.

Students attended two interactive workshops throughout the day, and were encouraged to mix with students from other schools.

Students from Bishop's University, including ACE\*Bishop's (Advancing Canadian Entrepreneurship), delivered workshops to the youth as well as professionals from DEFI de l'entrepreneuriat jeunesse and Loyola Highschool (Student Stock Exchange) who work with youth to development their entrepreneurial mindset.

The CEDEC organizing committee is pleased with how the event turned out, particularly with the participation of older students leading their younger peers. "The students from ACE\*Bishops 'connected' with the student participants and that helped make the learning process less arduous and more exciting!" said Debbie Horrocks. Director of the South Shore CEDEC. "These were first-rate workshops! "

Student reporters from Chateauguay Valley **Regional High School were on hand to document** this event for "CV Magazine", CVR's student community newspaper distributed with The Gleaner. Video footage was also taken, thanks to Heritage Regional Television, (Heritage Regional High School in Saint Hubert)

Students each had the opportunity to participate in two of the following workshops:

\$ Yourself Inc.: How to market yourself

in

- \$ Making Cents: Financial literacy
- \$ **Opportunity Recognition**
- \$ Planning for Success: Thinking outside the box
- \$ Marketing and Advertising are not Synonyms
- \$ **Creativity and Entrepreneurship**