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QUÉBEC ENTREPRENEURSHIP CONTEST

The Contest . . . attuned to English-speaking clients

Every year, a large number of projects carried out by students attending English institutions are submitted to the Contest. These young people, working through all the steps involved in carrying out an entrepreneurial project, have taken the initiative to identify possible solutions to challenges faced by their community, to produce something fresh, to innovate, and to create a product, service or event that meets a need within this community.

In addition to developing entrepreneurial skills that will be useful throughout their lives, these young people have the opportunity to work alongside educators who share these same entrepreneurial qualities: leadership, creativity, the desire to excel, etc. It is therefore with great pleasure that the Québec Entrepreneurship Contest has undertaken to offer the best possible support to everyone who encourages entrepreneurship in the English-speaking community.

Over the years, a series of initiatives have been carried out to respond to the community's expectations and find effective solutions. Thus, in addition to presenting information sessions in English, the Contest also focuses on disseminating information documents in English and French simultaneously so that it runs smoothly at the local and regional levels. Our Web site is the ideal reference tool. We also ensure that English-sector representatives are involved in the local, regional and provincial selection processes.

We sincerely hope that all these efforts to provide continuous high-quality support to our staff working with the English sector will result in effective collaboration and even greater participation by the English-speaking community.

A unique Contest and the ideal way of

TRANSFORMING QUÉBEC WITH EACH NEW PROJECT

SUCCESSFUL INITIATIVES

In 2009-2010, **15**% of the projects submitted to the Québec Entrepreneurship Contest came from its English-speaking clientele, a truly exceptional level of participation. Of these 400 projects, 11 were 2010 regional winners and one of these was a provincial prizewinner.



PROVINCIAL WINNER 2010
Learners without boarders: Helping Hands Project
Secondary school, Cycle One, Laval Junior High
School, CS Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Laval region.
Students wanted to find lasting solutions to poverty
that affects children and women in Uganda. They
initiated a sustainable entrepreneurship project
between their school and Future Leaders' school in
Uganda.



PROVINCIAL WINNER 2009
Growth and development through unity in diversity

Secondary school, Cycle Two, Laval Junior High School, CS Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Laval region.
Organization of a fashion show involving over 200 students and 35 Fashion Houses. Students used "Unity in Diversity" as a theme because every student is unique in his or her own way. Students learned through this experience the importance of accepting differences in all.



Provincial winner 2008

Woven Everyday Bag Association (W.E.B.A.)

Elementary school, Cycle Three, Gaspé Elementary School, CS Eastern Shores, Gaspésie—Îles-de-la-Madeleine region.

Cycle 3B entrepreneurial project in which the students weave used plastic shopping bags into practical tote bags. The idea was brought to the attention of the Cycle 3B teacher, by a retired school teacher who learned how to weave plastic shopping bags at a "Farmer's Circle" meeting. They decided that they would implement a project involving this skill with the students.

REGIONAL WINNERS 2010

Elementary School, Cycle Two

Halloween Solutions, Meadowbrook Elementary School CS Lester-B.-Pearson, region of Montréal

To reduce the waste of Halloween costumes, students decided to set up a service to recycle costumes by lendingborrowing them to others in the community.

Elementary School, Cycle Three

This is Our Planet and We Give a Hoot, Harrington School CS du Littoral, region of Côte-Nord

Student wanted to do their part in helping others. They organized a slave auction and sold homemade bread to raise funds for World vision

Elementary School, Cycle Three

The Priory SWAT Team (Students Working To Advance Technology)

The Priory School, region of Montréal To help others in need, the students created, filmed,

produced and sold Christmas Concert DVD's.

Secondary School, Cycle One

It's Fair - Magasin du Monde, St. Thomas High School CS Lester-B.-Pearson, region of Montréal To raise awareness about faire trade and ecological products, students opened a faire trade store where others

can buy different products as well as eco-friendly school supplies.

Secondary School, Cycle Two

Laval Liberty Goes Green, Laval Liberty High School CS Sir-Wilfrid-Laurier, region of Laval

Students wanted to reduce recyclable garbage by placing bins throughout the school, and develop a compost site for compostable materials for a community garden.

Secondary School, Cycle Two

Minions in Training (MIT), Riverdale High School CS Lester-B.-Pearson, region of Montréal In order to reduce the load of works of the board technician, students provides a technical support services and a custom computer assembly.

Secondary School, Cycle Two

United Nations Simulation, St. THomas High School CS Lester-B.-Pearson, region of Montréal Students find difficult to understand current war issues, therefore they decided to put on a United Nations on the war and sustainable long-term development in Afghanistan.

Vocational training and Adult education

One-Stop Shop Community Chest, Pearson Adult and Career Center

CS Lester-B.-Pearson, region of Montréal

Students noticed it was hard for single parents to get basic supplies at a low cost close to school. The group set up a coop store to sell second hand clothes, baby and household College (individual and small group)

M21 SPORTS, John Abbott College

Region of Montréal

Students have set up a social network website for amateur athletes and recruiters. This website allows them to expose their talents to a wider audience.

University (group)

Oohlala Deals, McGill University

Region of Montréal

Because they wanted to help businesses to connect with the youth, the promoters developed a location based deals social network for students across the country and around the world.



COMMITTED STAFF

Here are the local Québec Entrepreneurship Contest representatives who work with Québec's English sector, some 30 youth Entrepreneurship Awareness Officers (EAO) and Cooperative Entrepreneurship Promotion Officers (CEPO) who are actively involved in our efforts geared to the English sector.

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