



GRADE 9 STUDENTS TRAINED TO SAVE LIVES

An amazing and potentially lifesaving project is underway for Grade 9 students throughout our Board.

Thanks to the Advanced Coronary Treatment (ACT) Foundation, in partnership with the Government of Ontario, The Ontario Trillium Foundation and a number of local organizations, our students will be trained in CPR and how to use defibrillators.

As part of the initiative, defibrillators have already been installed in each of our nine high schools. In addition, more than 25 teachers received comprehensive training in order to teach students these important skills. The best part is that students will take their new lifesaving skills back to their families and their community.

At a launch event today, Director of Education Brian Beal thanked all of the partners for "having faith in our Grade 9 students. What these 13 and 14 year old students learn will be of great benefit now and in the future."

Those in attendance at the event, including Aileen Carroll, M.P.P and Barrie Mayor Jeff Lehman, watched as students demonstrated their newly acquired skills. They performed CPR on mannequins and demonstrated how to use the defibrillator machines.

