

Township of  
Langley



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### **TOWNSHIP'S DAY OF ACTIVITIES MAKES STUDENTS MUNICIPALLY AWARE**

A debate on the merits of swimming versus ice skating, the opportunity to explore fire engines and public works vehicles, and lessons on caring for trees, water, and the environment were just some of the hands-on activities provided to students during the Township of Langley's Municipal Awareness Day.

Held April 26, the event saw more than 1,800 students from Grades 1 to 4, their teachers, and parents, flood the Township's Civic Facility and parking lots to get a glimpse of what it takes to operate a municipality.

"This is always such a fun day – not just for the kids but for Township staff and members of Council, too," said Township of Langley Mayor Jack Froese. "These young visitors are so enthusiastic and eager to learn and really enjoy seeing what goes into keeping a community safe, clean, and healthy. These students will be our future residents, employees, and leaders and this is a great opportunity to show them what municipal government does and the services and programs it provides."

Throughout Municipal Awareness Day, booths and stations were set up to teach the children about making maps and signs, safety and emergency preparedness, recreation, film production, graphic design, and the provision of utilities. The students also cast their votes in a mock election, learned about economic development, and enjoyed refreshments donated by Willoughby Save-On-Foods.

The 16<sup>th</sup> annual Municipal Awareness Day coincided with the Township's 145<sup>th</sup> birthday.