What We Know...

- Ensuring a highly-skilled workforce takes commitment from many players—leaders in the public and private sectors, the education community, and the workforce development system, as well as workplace learning professionals.
  —American Society for Training & Development

- Employer demand for workers with mid-level education and training is expected to average 43,000 net openings between 2014 and 2019. In 2010, 34,000 Washington residents completed their mid-level training and education. At that rate, Washington will be short 9,000 qualified workers per year.
  —Workforce Training & Education Coordinating Board

Help Cowlitz/Wahkiakum Counties prepare to fill this workforce gap at the Second Biennial Business–Education Partnership Roundtable

Removing Barriers to Successful Entry into the Workforce

March 20, 2012 - 7:30 to 10 a.m. — Cowlitz PUD Auditorium

Work with other local business leaders and educators to:

- Follow up on actions taken, based on input from last roundtable
- Identify collaboration opportunities for educators and employers to implement to meet our regional workforce needs
- Set Business–Education Partnership goals for the next biennium

Dale Lemmons, Southwest Washington Workforce Development Council Chair, will keynote the morning with a brief overview of the Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Career Development Consortium Survey. Then we’ll have facilitated table group discussions.

Space is limited! Reserve your seat at 360.442.2610 or online at www.surveymonkey.com/s/DRDY7CT