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Director's Update



Sixty-four students explored careers in energy during FWEE's June academies in Centralia, Tri-Cities and Wenatchee - and we expanded the SW WA event from three to five full days of energizing activities and tours (see below).

Big KUDOS to stellar coordinator Emily K. and Centralia High School's talented Rob McKay, who led this year's SW WA Summer Academy in Centralia.



Next up: You'll find us enrolled in NWPPA trainings; attending PNWER and H2 events; supporting 10 CTC faculty to attend GTSE; presenting at *Hydropower for Educators*; planning our virtual Energy Educators meetings (beginning this fall - watch your emails for invitations); and moving to the corner of S. Washington and W. Pear in Centralia. We hope you'll visit us.

SW WA Academy photos: Coordinator Emily K with Yazmine, a proud academy graduate (top); Instructor Rob McKay with students. PC Kelly Evans, Bethel MS

There's so much to share. Find us online on FB, Instagram, LinkedIn, and our website - thank you, Emily G for your electrifying work!

~ Monica

SW WA Summer Energy/STEM Career Academy a Huge Success

THANK YOU!

Our career academy students were busy building, exploring, and learning. They climbed a power pole, raced hydrogen cars, saw arc flashes, and met a variety of professionals employed by our partners at SEI; TransAlta; Tacoma Power; Lewis, Cowlitz, and Mason County PUDs; Lewis County Transit; Chehalis-Centralia Airport; and Centralia City



Light.

Students toured TransAlta's coal-fired generation plant, Tacoma Power's Mossyrock Dam and Fish Hatchery, and Centralia City Light's Yelm Hydro Project. THANK YOU to everyone involved in making this incredible opportunity happen, and to FWEE for supporting us and tracking all of the behind-the-scenes work. **Coming soon:** FWEE's new activity guide expands to include fusion, h2, pumped storage and more!



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CoE Blog Roundup

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- Fusion and Nuclear: Washington companies have big plans, SMRs are being contracted, and a Virginia fusion company signed a deal with Google.
- Energy Northwest and BPA Advance Plan to Increase Region's Nuclear Power: \$700 million project proposal to increase the output of the Columbia Generation Station nuclear facility.
- UW's CoMotion Labs Introduces Inaugural Climate Tech Incubator Cohort. Projects include air travel electrification, AI to streamline infrastructure project delivery, high-performance bio-based materials, and more.

Upcoming Events

July 20-24 PNWER Annual Summit, Bellevue, WA

July 22-24 Mid-C Seminar, Wenatchee, WA

July 29-31 Women in Public Power, Spokane, WA

Aug. 4 FWEE Hydro Educator's Summit, Wenatchee, WA

Aug. 20 Advanced Grid Institute, Richland, WA

Aug. 26-28 Green Transportation Summit & Expo, Tacoma, WA

Sept. 16 RHA Annual Conference, Portland, OR

Sept. 29-30 Seattle Fusion Week, Seattle, WA

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