

**‘Learning Enriches Life’ , organised for NCDW 2010 by Campbelltown Learning, Employment & Economic Development (LEED) group**



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<b>What is your event story?</b>	
<p>Being selected as one of the 2010 NCDW lead events, Campbelltown Learning Employment &amp; Economic Development teams pooled together and organised visits to UWS Campbelltown and SWSI TAFE Campbelltown &amp; Macquarie Fields. 50 local people boarded a coach from Macquarie Fields, Minto, Airds, Claymore &amp; Rosemeadow/Ambarvale with high enthusiasm. First stop on our busy day was UWS Campbelltown where Jo Galea and her team provided advice &amp; opportunities for entry into UWS' many courses. We then had the opportunity to tour the Campbelltown UWS campus - and wow, what a campus. Next on our agenda was SWSI TAFE - Campbelltown. Annie Lee and her team showed us around with visits to various faculties, teachers, training rooms and classrooms. A visit with the TAFE Information Officer also gave us insight into TAFE opportunities for further learning. A short relaxing ride away, we met with Michelle Morrison and her team at SWSI TAFE Macquarie Fields. Again, with a smile and enormous hospitality we were shown throughout the campus, visiting classes, talking to students and teachers. Throughout the day comments were heard; "I didn't realise there was so much for me", "I didn't even know I could do that", "I thought you had to finish school to do that". Demystifying higher education, accessing alternative entry opportunities and securing correct and up to date course and career information was the purpose of our campus tours. With 12 of our tour group immediately pursuing enrollment in courses and a further number seeking entry for the 2010 Spring Semester, our Learning Enriches Life event provided an opportunity for personal career development and an overwhelming request to "do this again".</p>	