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Feast of career opportunities in the food industry

Pathway planners and teachers will indulge in a “Feast of Knowledge” tomorrow (**Thursday, 11 September 2014**) as they learn about career opportunities in the North West Tasmanian food industry.

The Feast of Knowledge field day and food experience is being delivered by the University of Tasmania as part of the Pathways to Success initiative, funded under the University of Education’s Higher Education Pathways and Participation Program, with support from TasTAFE and industry.

University of Tasmania Food Industry Liaison Officer Don Defenderfer said the aim of the day is to promote interest in and knowledge about future jobs in Tasmania’s emerging food and tourism industries.

“Pathway planners and teachers are ideally placed to inform and guide student aspirations,” Mr Defenderfer said.

“Participants will tour local food and tourism enterprises, engaging directly with industry experts, champions and entrepreneurs and gaining rare behind-the-scenes exposure to some of the key emerging and innovative factors that are shaping the future of these industries.”

Features of the day include discussions about industry supply chains, sources of expertise, skill shortages, future jobs and careers within the industries, and the training and higher education pathways that lead to those jobs and careers.

Food highlights include morning tea at Red Cow Dairy and lunch at Mt Gnomon Farm near Penguin showcasing Mt Gnomon Heritage Meats and other local produce. The participants will also visit the TIA Dairy Centre and the University to hear from industry experts about food and tourism jobs of the future and pathways to University.

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