

## SEGMENT ONE - CANDACE'S STORY

# STEP UP YOUR SAFETY

### DISCUSSION - WORKPLACE INJURIES HAPPEN

#### Stats Recap:

"in 2021 there were 18 Young Workers Killed in Canada" - AWCBC

"Every DAY in Canada more than 40 workers under the age of 19 are injured on the job". - CCHST

"40% of all workplace injuries happen within the first 6 months on the job" - Gov't of Canada

#### Teacher Question

Did the numbers of injuries and fatalities among young workers mentioned in Segment One surprise you? Why or why not?

#### Student Answer Prompts:

- Statistics are numbers, but each represents a real person with family, friends, loved ones
- One injury is too many and injuries are preventable

#### Teacher Question

Why do you think young workers are at risk for injuries at work?

#### Student Answer Prompts:

- New workers may be too intimidated to ask questions and be trying to make a good impression
- Employers don't always provide all the information and training a new worker needs to know before they start to work
- Young and new workers may be asked to do things that others don't want to do

#### Teacher Question

Do you know someone who has been injured at work?

#### Student Answer Prompts:

- Many will know someone
- If so, ask them how their injury impacted their life, their family and friends
- This will help them recognize that workplace injuries do happen and have an impact

## DISCUSSION - RECOGNIZING RISKS

### **Teacher Question**

Can you identify a risk you're comfortable taking frequently?

### **Student Answer Prompts:**

- Texting and driving
- Jaywalking
- Skipping safety equipment at home or when playing sports (bike helmets, seat belts, gloves when working with chemicals)

### **Teacher Question**

Consider why you feel comfortable doing something that is not safe.

### **Student Answer Prompts:**

- You may think you can get away with taking risks because nothing bad happens
- It only takes once (like in Candace's case) for a life changing event to happen

### **Teacher Question**

Does anyone have an experience to share that contradicts the 'it won't happen to me' mindset

### **Student Answer Prompts:**

- Encourage students (or yourself!) to share a personal experience that proves that taking unnecessary risks can have negative outcomes