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Grade 8 Leadership Conference at UWO

LONDON, ON: The University Students' Council (USC) is proud to be hosting "Choose Your Own Adventure", a leadership conference for Grade 8 students from the London Community. The conference is hosted by the USC and sponsored by The University of Western Ontario, the YMCA, and the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance. The goal is to encourage students to pursue postsecondary pathways. Trained university leaders will work with groups of students to break down barriers that prevent some students from attending university or college. This conference also aims to help the students set goals and help develop important leadership skills.

"This weekend has been extremely successful in the past and I am confident that this year will be just as positive," said Jacqueline Cole, Vice-President University Affairs for the University Students' Council.

During the weekend, the 75 participating students stay in a residence at the university, have interactive sessions with professors, hear a motivational speaker, and participate in a high and low ropes course. The final day includes the participants' parents for a luncheon with a presentation on financing postsecondary education.

"The USC is helping to build excitement in the community for education opportunities," said Jacqueline Cole, Vice-President University Affairs for the University Students' Council. "It's inspirational to see all of the students that want to contribute to London through mentorship with local youth."

Choose Your Own Adventure will be taking place today through Sunday at The University of Western Ontario.

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