

How Will The Tours Benefit You?

The tours will help you in the following manner:

- ✓ Put a human face on the forest products industry;
- ✓ It will allow you to ask complex questions of the foresters, biologists, engineers and top management;
- ✓ It will help you see the multitude of vocational and professional career opportunities for their students;
- ✓ You will learn some of the silviculture, biology, and other sciences behind sustainable forestry;
- ✓ You will also gain an understanding of society's growing need for thousands of different forest products;
- ✓ You will discover where the products you use every day come from, and how they are grown, processed, and distributed:
- ✓ You will have the opportunity to network with other teachers from across the region, sharing ideas and experiences;
- ✓ You will be treated with the respect as professionals who hold our children's future in their hands;
- ✓ The tour will help you understand how important and essential you are in presenting students with information on issues and options that allow them to make their own informed choices:
- ✓ Help you forge business-education partnerships with your sponsor.
- ✓ Over and beyond all of the above benefits, the tour is designed to show you how sustainable forestry integrates social, economic, and ecological needs across the forest landscape.

The Atlantic Teachers' Tour program is developed with the following key concepts:

- ✓ Nature is dynamic: everything is connected and changing.
- ✓ Sustainable forestry integrates social, economic and ecological needs.
- ✓ Foresters manage large landscapes over long time horizons.
- ✓ Forestry is capital intensive.
- ✓ Our highest technology is employed in the woods, mills and labs.
- ✓ There is complete utilization of the resource.
- ✓ We all use wood products.
- ✓ Wood is an energy-efficient renewable resource.
- ✓ Wood is an environmentally sound building material.
- ✓ Regulations protect water, air, soil, fish and wildlife.
- ✓ We can meet our material needs while protecting forest ecosystems.
- Career opportunities are varied and abundant.
- ✓ We all need to make informed choices.