Soroptimist International of Surrey/Delta & Soroptimist International of White Rock presents
Dream It, Be It Girls Conference

Soroptimist International of Surrey/Delta has presented this conference since 2015, except for 2020 and 2021 due to COVID restrictions.

This year, **Soroptimist International of Surrey/Delta** is again partnering with **Soroptimist International of White Rock**. We will work with girls in a conference setting to provide them with the information and resources they want and need to be successful. We focus on career opportunities, setting and achieving goals, overcoming obstacles to success and how to move forward after setbacks or failures.

Dream It, Be It: **Career Support for Girls** will help girls grow up to be strong, successful, happy adults*. Dream It, Be It* targets girls in secondary school who face obstacles to their future success. It provides girls with access to professional role models, career education and the resources to live their dreams.

Not all girls will know what they want to be. And even the ones who do will probably change their minds many times before adulthood. Although we don't think all girls will know what they want to do for the rest of their lives, the skills they learn in *Dream It, Be It* will help them regardless of the career they choose to pursue or when they choose to pursue it.

To ensure we are reaching our goals and helping girls in meaningful, measurable ways, *Dream It, Be It* has very clearly defined goals and objectives.

Program Goal
Through education and access to role models, girls will be empowered to pursue their career goals and reach their full potential.

Program Objectives

1. Increase the number of girls who feel prepared to purse their career goals.
2. Increase the number of girls who feel comfortable creating achievable goals.
3. Increase the number of girls who have tools to overcome obstacles to success.
4. Increase the number of girls who understand the importance of resilience.
5. Increase the number of girls who connect personal values with possible careers.
6. Increase the number of girls who feel more confident about their future success.
7. Increase the number of girls who have professional role models.

Student Registration

This conference focuses on girls in secondary school, ages 15 – 19, and will include girls living and/or going to school in the Surrey/North Delta and White Rock areas.

To promote our conference and encourage students to attend, we will be working in collaboration to reach out to as many schools as possible, while also advertising within our local communities in Surrey/North Delta and White Rock. We communicate with the Surrey School District and the Delta School District to provide information about the conference. We will be distributing posters to all high schools in Surrey and Delta to promote the event. Our Soroptimist team will be distributing our posters at various locations in the community, such as local businesses, libraries, recreational facilities, etc. Social media and our organization websites will also advertise this event, and registration will be available through Eventbrite.

Speakers/Workshop Presenters

Guest speakers will be invited to share their stories of motivation, challenges, and successes.

Career Fair

Professional women in various careers/occupations/trades will be invited to set up a "table" where they will be available for girls to seek out, speak with about their career choices, how they got there, what obstacles they encountered, and an overview of their education and career journey.
Women participating in the career fair are being asked to bring a "prize basket" of age-appropriate items to be given out to girls as door prizes as well as "swag" to hand out at their table. KPU is again providing aPrize of a $1000 tuition certificate to an attendee who wishes to attend KPU.