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# TCI FSC PARTNERS WITH HJ ROBINSON HIGH SCHOOL FOR EXIT READINESS EXERCISE



GRAND TURK, Turks and Caicos Islands; Monday, March 23, 2026 - The TCI Financial Services Commission (TCI FSC) supported **Helena Jones Robinson High School's** annual Exit Readiness exercise, helping fourth and fifth form students prepare for the transition from secondary education to the workforce. Senior HR Manager **Sheena Smith-Yip** and HR Officer **Candre Skippings**, spent the day in the school's auditorium in Grand Turk, conducting mock interviews, providing constructive feedback, and assessing employability skills.

Exit Readiness gives students practical, hands-on experience that bridges classroom learning and workplace expectations. During the session, students practiced interview techniques, refined resumes, received professional coaching on communication and presentation, and learned workplace etiquette. The opportunity also included participation from a range of local businesses and government agencies, allowing students to meet sector-specific organisations and learn about career paths across different industries. These activities helped students identify strengths and areas for development, build confidence, and gain clarity on employer expectations.

“The Exit Readiness exercise equips students with the practical tools they need to succeed beyond the classroom,” said **Camardia Higgs**, HR Director at the Commission. “By simulating real hiring processes and offering constructive feedback, schools can empower young people to enter the workforce with confidence and a competitive edge.”

Events like this are essential for fostering student readiness, strengthening community partnerships, and aligning education with local labour-market needs. The collaboration between the TCI FSC, Helena Jones Robinson High School, and other participating organisations demonstrates how public and private-sector stakeholders can support youth development through mentorship, skills training, and exposure to workplace standards.

“Mock interviews and professional coaching make a measurable difference in student outcomes,” said **Kenisha Bacchus**, Managing Director (Ag). “When students experience realistic job scenarios, they leave better prepared for interviews, internships, and employment opportunities.”

The TCI FSC reaffirms its commitment to continued engagement with local schools and youth programs to develop a capable, adaptable workforce ready to contribute to the Turks and Caicos Islands’ future.

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