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'I didn't know what to do after school. I had no idea. So I thought I'd give this a go'.

Ardmore Faatoe, from Redbank Plains State High School was accepted into the 2013 GenR8 program hosted by Allied Pickfords, a provider of local, interstate and international moving services with more than 600 locations worldwide.

GenR8 is a highly successful industry led school-to-work program. Working one day a week for 20 weeks with a host employer, students experience the world of work, gain a Certificate II in Logistics and insight into the career opportunities available in Transport and Logistics.

'I'm really happy that I took on the program and I'm happy for those taking it on this year too. You get the opportunity to experience what the real world is about. We were shown the different sides of the business so we could see where it could take you and the opportunities we have'.



Ardmore went back to Redbank Plains State High School this year to talk about GenR8 to the seniors of 2014. Her simple advice to them? 'Give it a go, you never know unless you give it a try. Most girls will think GenR8 is only for boys but it's not. Girls, prove them wrong! You just got to put yourself out there to get somewhere'.

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When asked what advice she would give to others on how to stand out from the crowd she said, 'Give it your all! Show them how committed you are and use your initiative... You don't get in the (GenR8) program because you're offered it, you need to earn it.'

After successfully completing the program, Ardmore was offered an administration role and started working at Allied Pickfords in November 2013. When asked how she felt about her job, she replied, 'I'm loving it. I'm happy where I am, I want to stay here. I love what I do.'

'After school, having a job is all you think about and earning your own money, so you can set yourself for your future. You can do what you want to do. I'm really happy that the program is expanding across Queensland'.

The GenR8 program is run by the Department of Education, Training and Employment. If you are a transport, logistics and supply chain business interested in finding out more about the GenR8 program, please contact TLI Connect on (07) 3066 0785 or email us at TLI.Connect@tmr.qld.gov.au.

