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Media Release:

Local students had the BEST day

Over 40 students and teachers from Chinchilla, Miles and Wandoan High Schools were miners for a day at Cameby Downs Coal mine as part of the BEST Ignite Your Future Tours.

Wearing their high-vis and safety gear, the students visited the open cut pit, sat in the cab of a haul truck to experience life at the coalface and what it's like to work in an active coal mine.

The local students also had the opportunity to speak with onsite tradespeople and apprentices to hear about their career journey and ask any questions about working in mining.

Cameby Downs Coal Operations Manager Braedon Gaske welcomed the chance to have the local students onsite.

"Choosing a career path can be daunting, so we are pleased to be involved with a program that aims to make a positive difference to local school children when considering their next step.

"Having students onsite, is always beneficial as it encourages them to think about their future career and we are happy to help educate and open their minds to a career in mining.

"Myself and the team at Cameby Downs always get a lot out of these days as it helps up and coming students in the local community and gives us a chance to mentor anyone interested in a job in the resources sector," said Braedon.

This funding support is part of the Yancoal Cameby Downs Community Support Program, which aims to make a difference in the community and in the lives of the people who work and live in the areas where it operates.

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