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The official opening of the Allan Matthews Centre of Cariboo College will take place Tuesday morning (October 28) with the participation of the provincial Open Learning Institute and of Kamloops School District No. 24.

Principal R.R. Jeffels of OLI, which will have a regional office at the Centre, will join with Cariboo Principal C.W. Brewster and representatives of the College Board and the School District in a "Keys to the Centre" ceremony at 9:15 a.m. The public is invited.

The former elementary school at 543 St. Paul Street has been serving in its new capacity since early in September, housing Cariboo's classes in Adult Basic Education and various Continuing Education offices and activities. Under the lease arrangement, a portion of the structure remains in use as the school district's Learning Resources Centre.

"We welcome the Open Learning Institute as a logical co-tenant of our downtown Centre," said Brewster, who will preside at the Tuesday morning ceremony. "The College and the Institute share a common goal: extending the broadest possible range of educational opportunity to the people of a vast area of the British Columbia Interior."

The OLI office in the centre will serve as a base for Iris Rich-McQuay, a former Cariboo instructor who will function as regional advisor.

Jeffels, who became Principal of OLI last July after serving as Principal of Okanagan College, will come to Kamloops from the Institute's provincial headquarters in Richmond for the ceremony.

An informal coffee party and reception will follow in the gymnasium at the Allan Matthews Centre.

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