



NEW WAYS TO GRADUATE

APPLY NOW FOR NEXT YEAR, 2024-2025!

There are many new ways for students to get valuable life experiences and a head start on post-secondary level program, most tuition-free, while you are still in secondary school. As these programs are very popular and space is limited, it is important to begin thinking about your options for next year as soon as possible.

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Visit the SD83 Career Website at <http://career.sd83.bc.ca/>

Youth TRAIN in Trades opportunities

These programs provide students with Industry Training certification as well as provide high school credits. **For concrete dates and application forms visit the Career Centre at your school.** All students need to apply to Okanagan College and complete a district application and then will be interviewed for a seat in their selected program.

Auto Body and Collision Technician Level 1 Technical Training: (District Program) [partnered with Vancouver Community College]

- Students will learn about shop safety, tools, and the fundamentals of auto body construction and repairs through flexible (online) learning, practical labs and work experience. Students will have to spend some time at A.L. Fortune partaking in practical labs.
- February 2025, next intake at A.L. Fortune

Professional Cook 1 (PC1): (District Program) [Camosun College partner]

- In this program students will be instructed, through flexible (on-line) learning, practical labs and work experience, in all aspects of commercial food preparation.
- February 2025, next intake at A.L. Fortune

Hairstyling: (Pleasant Valley Secondary) [SkilledTradesBC recognized program]

- Students will learn how to cut, dress, curl, and wave hair.
- February 2025 (this is a two semester program)

Carpenter Foundations (Okanagan College)

- January 2025 (Salmon Arm)

Electrical Foundations (Pre-Apprenticeship) (Okanagan College)

- February 2025 (Vernon)

Plumbing Foundations (Pre-Apprenticeship) (Okanagan College)

- July 2024 (Vernon)

Welding Foundations (Pre-Apprenticeship) (Okanagan College)

- August 2024 (Salmon Arm) – February 2025 (Salmon Arm)





Trades Exploration Program – “Explore A Trade”

- SD83 regularly hosts in-depth trades sampler program at schools within the District. These programs are often a full semester in length. The intent of the program is to expose students to a variety of trades (i.e. carpentry, plumbing, electrical...) so that they can make an educated choice as to which area they would like to further explore (i.e. taking Electrical Foundations). Ask your Career Counsellor if interested and when it will come to your school.

Youth WORK in Trades

- Students that work with a qualified tradesperson (i.e. licensed mechanic, electrician, butcher....) can sign up as a WORK student and receive:
 - 16 high school credits if they acquire 480 hours of paid work
 - \$1000 scholarship if: (a) complete the 4 required courses, (b) have a minimum of 900 work based hours registered with the SkilledTradesBC 6 months after graduation and (b) were able to achieve a C+ average in their Grade 12 courses.
- Students can acquire their hours during school time, summer, evenings, holidays and weekends.
- Students also have the opportunity to apprentice with a school district tradesperson in carpentry, painting, HVAC, plumbing and electrical.

4th Class Power Engineering [partnered with British Columbia Institute of Technology – BCIT]

Dual Credit at Okanagan College (OC) and Thompson Rivers University (TRU)

Students have the opportunity to attend OC (Kelowna, Salmon Arm, Vernon) or TRU to acquire *tuition free trades training* if they attend the programs during their time at high school plus one year. Students are responsible for student fees, textbooks, registration fees, transportation, and accommodations. **Pre-apprenticeship programs are available in such trades as Culinary Arts, Automotive Collision Repair, Electrical, Heavy Duty Mechanics, Welding C, and Plumbing.**

- For a full list of programs visit: <http://www.okanagan.bc.ca> and <http://www.tru.ca/>

Academic Programs -- Okanagan College (Vernon/Salmon Arm)

Office Assistant Certificate	Health Care Assistant
Administrative Assistant Certificate	Early Childhood Education Certificate
Education Assistant Certificate	Medical Office Assistant
Medical Device Reprocessing Equipment Certificate	Unit Assistant Certificate
Information Technology User Support Micro-Credential	Gateway to Technology Workplace Certificate

Academic Programs -- Thompson Rivers University (Kamloops)

Medical Lab Assistant Certificate

Academic Programs – Justice Institute (Offered locally at JL Jackson Feb 2025)

Emergency Medical Responder

Work Experience:

- Do you have a part/full time job? If so, talk to the Career Centre at your school about getting Work Experience 12A (and 12B) credit.