

What is a Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)?

An SHSM allows students to customize their high school experience to fit career interests. Offered in grade 11 and 12, an SHSM allows students to receive a specialized high school diploma that is recognized in various economic sectors in all four pathways.

What does an SHSM look like?

An SHSM is a bundle of 8 to 10 grade 11 and grade 12 credits that include two Experiential Learning (Co-op) credits.

What do you get by taking an SHSM?

- Sector-recognized certifications and training
- Real workplace experience
- Learning experiences connected with post-secondary opportunities
- Skills and work habits required for employment success



Student Success
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More Programs, More Choices

Specialist High Skills Major

The Manufacturing Program, Welding/ Fabrication Focus

Dunville Secondary School

The Manufacturing SHSM is a bundle of credits of Manufacturing Technology and Technological Design Grade 11 and 12 courses. It covers Architectural, Mechanical, Electrical and Civil Drafting using AutoCAD, Precision Machining, Sheet Metal Fabrication and various types of Welding and Cutting for metal. The program also uses a CNC Plasma Cutter for numerous projects.

"In the Manufacturing SHSM, I had the chance to go into a job placement as a co-op student learning lots of new tasks, preparing me for the future as a welder. I also sat in on a CWA Education/Industry dinner forum where guest speakers talked about the welding industry and types of jobs available, which was very beneficial."
 Josh Griffin

Benefits of the Manufacturing Program:

- High concentration of sector related skills and knowledge
- Free certifications in CPR, First Aid, WHMIS, Basic Health & Safety and more
- Free bus trips to trade shows, colleges and related industries
- An Ontario Skills Passport to develop Work Habits and Essential Skills for the workplace
- Co-op placement in the related sector for further development of knowledge and skills



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