

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



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More Programs, More Choices

Specialist High Skills Major

The Transportation Program, Automotive Service Focus

Dunnville Secondary School

The Transportation Program allows students to focus their learning on the automotive service industry. It features community involvement, personal projects, maintenance and repair and includes experience with safety, tool and equipment skills, terminology, problem solving, industry updates, and theory from tires to turbos.

"My enthusiasm for anything automotive has only grown over the years. I actually take safety much more seriously and watch out for others."

Austin Gray (Grade 12 student)

Benefits of the Transportation Program:

- Gain auto service skills
- Learn the theory and knowledge of the industry
- Build network with industry contacts
- Create school-to-work possibilities through references and experience

"I am looking forward to co-op as my placement makes high performance parts and I'll get to install them too. The free car show every year is a fun added bonus."

Jacob DaRosa (Grade 12 student)



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