





"My SHSM has given me the industry training to be competitive in today's workforce."



So...What is SHSM?

A Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) provides Grade 11 and 12 students with an opportunity to focus their learning on an employment sector and gain valuable experience college, university, apprenticeship training, and workplace opportunities.

The SHSM Program has a number of required components, designed to give students a "leg-up" to pursue post-secondary opportunities in variety of employment sectors. Students will also gain valuable experience and industry recognized certifications, which increase confidence in their ability to succeed and see the connections between their studies, the world beyond high school and future careers.

Did You Know...

they are participating in SHSM!



So... Why would I enrol in SHSM? Pursuing an SHSM designation enables students to:

1. Test-drive career options

- 2. Focus their learning by taking courses designed to suit their interests and talents while meeting the requirements for the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)
- 3. Develop essential skills and work habits required in the workplace
- 4. Experience hands-on learning
- 5. Gain valuable work experience that will help build a resume for postsecondary programs and future employment
- 6. Earn industry recognized certifications related to the chosen employment sector
- 7. Take advantage of "reach ahead" opportunities which could include visits to sector-related industries, businesses, training facilities, skills competitions, colleges, universities and dual credit programs.

Don't just graduate with a diploma... Graduate with a resume!

SPECIALIST HIGH SKILLS MAJOR

Student Success







SHSM Programs Offered in the SCDSB

Secondary School	SHSM Program	
Banting Memorial High School	Agriculture Health & Wellness	Transportation
Barrie North Collegiate Institute	Arts & Culture Business	Construction Transportation
Bear Creek Secondary School	Arts & Culture Environment Health & Wellness	Sports Transportation
Bradford District High School	Construction	Transportation
Collingwood Collegiate Institute	Arts & Culture Construction Health & Wellness	Hospitality & Tourism Transportation*
Eastview Secondary School	Arts & Culture Business	Construction*
Elmvale District High School	Environment	
Innisdale Secondary School	Construction Environment Hospitality & Tourism	Manufacturing Transportation
Georgian Bay District Secondary School	Arts & Culture Health & Wellness Hospitality & Tourism*	Info. & Comm. Technology Sports
Nantyr Shores Secondary School	Environment Health & Wellness*	Hospitality & Tourism
Nottawasaga Pines Secondary School	Health & Wellness	Hospitality & Tourism*
Orillia Secondary School	Arts & Culture Construction	Health & Wellness
Stayner Collegiate Institute	Construction	Environment
Twin Lakes Secondary School	Construction* Health & Wellness	Hospitality & Tourism Transportation

*NEW for September 2022

All secondary school course calendars will have program descriptions with the required courses and opportunities available to students. Please visit

https://www.scdsb.on.ca/secondary/planning_for_high_school for more information

