



Youth Explore Trades Sampler Program



Program Description

The 12-week, Gateway to the Building Trades Program is designed to provide students with both practical and theoretical experience in a wide variety of building trade sectors. Students will gain the first hand knowledge necessary to make an informed choice about a career in the trades. Students will learn practical skills and industry requirements for a variety of trades and also how to access training, apprenticeship, and employment.

In addition to gaining first hand experience in building trades students will gain industry knowledge through research and guest speakers. Employability skills that are crucial for employment in the trades will also be covered. Near the end of the program students will be required to research and choose a trade for themselves and then deliver a poster or PowerPoint presentation to the class supporting their choice. Graduates from the program may seek direct entry into employment and apprenticeship or enter pre-apprenticeship training programs.



Potential students include:

Secondary School Students considering a career in the trades.

Recommendations for success:

- Good work ethic-daily attendance is required
- Good hand –eye coordination
- Willingness to ask questions and engage
- Commitment to complete the program
- Interest in a career in the trades

Program Schedule:

- Program length: 12-weeks
- Program Dates: September 11 to December 12, 2023
- Days of week: Monday to Friday
- Time: 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM
- Location: Vernon Trades Facility
- Enrolment: 12 minimum to 16 maximum



Program Overview:

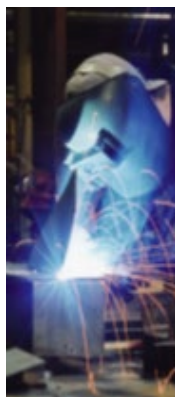
The trades to be explored may include but are not limited to the following:

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| • Carpentry | • Construction Craft Worker |
| • Plumbing | • Welding |
| • Electrical | • Sheet metal |

Industry Certification includes:

- Standard First Aid Certificate
- Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) Certificate
- Construction Safety Training Certificate (CSTS)

Program Outline



GATE 101 Construction Safety

This course introduces students to safe work practices, and the Workers Occupational Health and Safety regulations relating to safety procedures in the construction industry. Students will also learn how to protect themselves with personal protective equipment such as: fall protection, hearing protection and respiratory protection.

GATE 102 Labour Market Research

This course will enable students to conduct labour market research on specific trades and gather information in the following areas: demographic trends, forecast wage rates, national and regional statistics, future outlooks, transferable skills, job descriptions, job requirements, educational requirements, scholarships, bursaries, sponsorships, industry information and informational interviews. Several guest speakers from relevant industries will be featured in the program as well. The guest speakers will be able to inform students about their personal experience with the trade, as well as the opportunities in the trade, and the training requirements.

GATE 103 Building Trade Exploration

In order to provide students with first hand experience in a variety of building trades, this main portion of the program will have students working in teams to construct relevant projects. Theoretical and practical training will include trades specific safety, operation of hand and power tools, material identification, trade specific skills, and a practical project.

GATE 104 Employability Skills

Students will discuss a variety of employability skills including: presentation, transportation, scheduling, lifestyle, communication, evaluation, teamwork, human relations, and attitude. Emphasis will be placed on those skills necessary to find and maintain employment.

GATE 105 Career Choice Presentations

At the conclusion of the program students will be required to create a poster or PowerPoint presentation that highlights which trade they have chosen and the rationale for that choice. As a follow-up to the presentation students will be assisted to develop an action plan to enter the trade of their choice. The action plan will indicate which steps they intend to take to reach their goal and a timeline for achieving those steps.

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