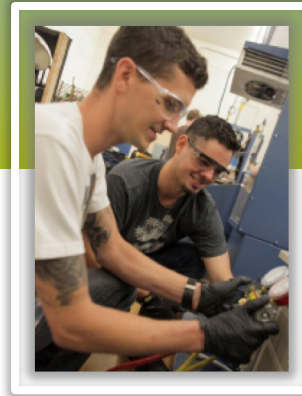


Career Education & Dual Credit Opportunities



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Cowichan Valley School District offers many dual credit opportunities for motivated secondary school students to complete trades, career, and university level courses while attending high school and **tuition free**.

In partnership with Vancouver Island University and Camosun College, students can participate in various trades training programs as well as academic courses that are all transferrable to other BC post-secondary institutions.

Students will receive credits towards their high school graduation requirements as well a Level 1 or Certificate program credit upon completion of the program. To be eligible for dual credit, students must be school-aged, undertaking a post-secondary option that aligns with their career path and enrolled in grade 11 or grade 12.

Trade and Certificate Programs

The Cowichan Trades Centre is host to various trades programs from Carpentry, Hairdressing, Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Mechanic and Welding. All programs are offered through Vancouver Island University. Cowichan School District students have the opportunity to stay local to participate in these exciting programs. At the VIU Cowichan Campus, certificate programs such as Office Administration, Health Care Assistant and Culinary are offered. Depending on space availability, the same programs may be offered at VIU Nanaimo Campus as well.



COWICHAN VALLEY
School District

Our Journey is Beyond Education



Camosun College

Working together with local industry leaders, the South Island Partnership provides Dual Credit programs and courses to give high school students a head start on their post-secondary pathways.

Trades programs such as Auto Service Technician, Carpentry, Electrical, Fine Furniture & Joinery, Heavy Duty Mechanical, Horticulture, Plumbing & Pipe Fitting, Professional Cook, Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Mechanic, Sheet Metal & Metal Fabrication, and Welding are offered through the South Island Partnership Program. Students can apply going into their grade 12 year for these exciting programs.

Dual Credit Academics



Dual Credit Academics are available for grade 11 and 12 students for the 2024/25 school year.

However, they must fit within these rules:

- The academic courses must be a part of a certificate, diploma or bachelor's degree for the chosen occupation of the student
- The occupation must be attainable with the certificate, diploma or bachelor's degree.
- The prerequisites for certificates, diplomas and bachelor's degrees are also eligible for district sponsorship

Be sure to plan ahead and submit your application early as seat availability is limited. **Academic applications deadline is April 12, 2024 as space is limited. Applications will be added to a waitlist after this date until May 31, 2024.**

See your high school Career Counsellor today for more information!



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Youth Work in Trades

Are you currently working in a Trade? You could be eligible for a **\$1000 student award** from the Industry Training Authority (ITA) upon graduation.

Get ahead on the work-based training of a trade apprenticeship while you are still in high school. Not only will you take home a pay cheque, you will earn up to 16 credits towards your high school diploma and may be eligible for the \$1000 Youth Work in Trades (WRK) Award for sustaining and exceptional work as an apprentice.

For more information, please contact our District Careers Principal, Ryan Gough at 250-510-7306 or email: rgough@sd79.bc.ca to get registered today!

Work Experience

Work Experience is intended to help prepare students for the transition from secondary school to the world of work or further education and training. The community becomes the classroom where students gain knowledge and experience about the workplace and are provided with a frame of reference to review or revise their career goals.

To satisfy graduation requirements, all students must complete a minimum of 100 hours of on the job training and you will receive Work Experience 12A and/or 12B PLUS you receive credit towards Graduation Transitions.

Meet with your Work Experience Teacher today to discuss the details and get started!

How to Apply

To apply for career programs, see your high school career counsellor today to discuss your career path and complete a dual credit application package.

Note: All programs and course availability are subject to enrollment. Some conditions apply to academic courses. Course start dates may change. **Register today to secure your seat!**