



What are NVSD Career Programs?

- Work Experience
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- Foundation Trades Training in conjunction with Industry Training Authority and a post secondary institution
- Steps to Success

North Vancouver School District partners

- BCIT
- Kwantlen Polytechnic University
- Vancouver Community College

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Career Development Programs Overview

The primary goal of the career development program is to help students prepare for the transition from secondary school to the world of work. Through work experience, students have the opportunity to observe and practice employability skills required in the workplace, as well as gain technical and applied skills relating to specific occupations or industries.

Other goals include helping students to:

- Connect what is learned in the classroom with knowledge, skills and attitudes needed in the workplace
- Develop job readiness skills for specific occupations and careers
- Understand the similarities and differences in behavior standards between the workplace and school

Steps to Success

The Steps to Success Program is a work experience program for students with special needs. This experience will help to prepare students for the transition from school to the workplace through activities that will raise their self-awareness, build employability skills, and encourage career exploration and job readiness.

The Career Programs Advisor and Work Experience Facilitators will work with the student, employer and job coach to ensure a successful placement. Students are accompanied by a job coach at all times.

Secondary School Apprentice (SSA)

Secondary School Apprentice is offered in conjunction with the Industry Training Authority (ITA). It is designed for those students who are currently working part-time in a trade under the supervision of a certified Journey Person.

When a placement is made, the Career Program Advisor works with the employer to implement instructional programs that result in a recognized level of proficiency in the chosen field.

Employers are responsible for submitting to the Career Program Advisor an evaluation of the student's performance plus a work-based training hours report.

Employers must have a WorkSafe BC Clearance Letter prior to placement.

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeship programs are available under the ACE IT (Accelerated Credit Enrolment in Industry Training) model. ACE IT offers Level One Technical Training in partnership with a post secondary institute. The program gives students an opportunity to earn dual credits while still attending secondary school. Current programs include:

VCC

- Culinary Arts (Professional Cook 1)
- Automotive Service Level 1
- Automotive Collision Repair Technician

Kwantlen PolyTechnic University

- Piping Trades Foundation Training

BCIT

- Metal Fabricator (Fitter)

Work Experience

During grades 10 through 12, students are placed with local employers in positions that align with their interests and future career goals.

Work assignments are from 10 to 100 hours in duration. This is an unpaid position with students receiving course credit.

Employers gain the opportunity to mentor and observe potential young employees prior to hiring them as well as connecting with and giving back to the local school community.

The community becomes the classroom where students gain experience in the workplace and are provided with a frame of reference to review or revise their career goals.

Through employer assessment, students receive valuable feedback about their employability skills and technical skills related to specific occupations.

Students have completed pre-placement classroom work before entering the workplace.

Employers are responsible for submitting to the Career Program Advisor an evaluation of the student's performance.

