



Youth in Skilled Trades

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What *is* a trade?

When people think of skilled trades, there's a few that immediately come to mind – Plumber, Carpenter, Electrician – but there is so much more with nearly **90 trades to choose from in B.C.**

Tradespeople use their head, hands and heart to get the job done.

EXAMPLES OF TRADES THAT ARE IN DEMAND:

- Automotive Service Technician
- Baker
- Carpenters
- Cooks
- Electrician (Industrial & Construction)
- Hairstylist
- Heavy Equipment Operators
- Industrial Mechanic (Millwright)
- Painter and Decorator
- Plumbers
- Truck and Transport Mechanic
- Welders



Why *choose* trades?

Earn a good living doing something you love.

The trades offer endless opportunities for a mobile, flexible career that suits your unique interests. As a certified tradesperson, your skills are in high demand all over the world.



**DO SOMETHING
YOU LOVE**



**BE PART OF A
COMMUNITY**



**MAKE GOOD
MONEY**

Joy Wosk

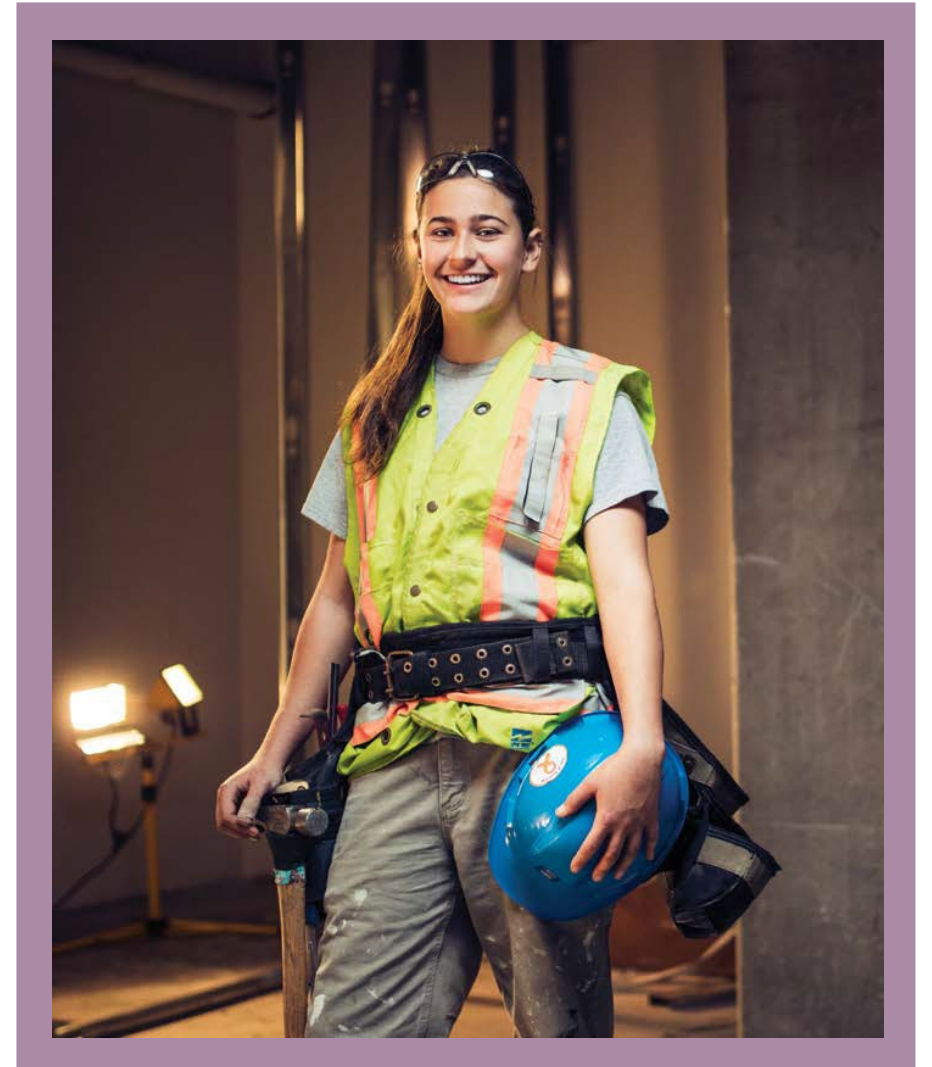
Carpenter

19 years old, Vancouver, B.C.

“My company is like a family. One of my former co-workers is now one of my closet friends. Whenever you meet someone who is also in the trades, you have an instant connection.”



**“I LOVE KNOWING THAT I’M BUILDING
A GREAT CAREER WHILE I’M YOUNG.”**



Ricky Sandhu

Automotive Painter

26 years old, Surrey, B.C.

“I’m excited to be moving forward with my own business and seeing what other doors open for me. You can learn so much. You can go anywhere for training: you can go to London, England and Germany. You can go almost anywhere in the world and still be qualified.”



**“STARTING MY OWN BUSINESS IS SOMETHING
THAT I’VE ALWAYS WANTED TO DO”**





There's *Money* in Trades

- The trades offer competitive wages and room for advancement
- The more experience you get, the more money you can make



Trades *Are in Demand*

UP TO 1 MILLION JOB OPENINGS IN B.C.

There will be **85,000** additional jobs in B.C. in the next decade - almost half of these jobs require technical or trades training.

By starting your trades training early, you'll have skills you need to land a great job, even before you graduate.



Trades Programs for Youth

DISCOVER THE TRADES

EXPLORE THE TRADES

TRAIN IN TRADES

WORK IN TRADES

SkilledTradesBC Youth trades programs help you gain the knowledge and skills you need for a career in your trade.





Discover the Trades

SPARK YOUR INTEREST IN TRADES WITH HANDS-ON TRADES ACTIVITIES

These school or community-led programs vary from one day events with local tradespeople to regular classroom activities that incorporate trades thinking and skill building.

You'll learn all about what makes trades great.



Discover the Trades

IS A YOUTH DISCOVER PROGRAM FOR YOU?

- You're in Grade 5-10
- You're looking for an introduction to the trades

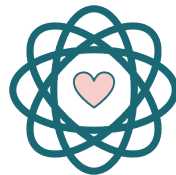
YOUR NEXT STEPS:

- Ask your teacher if a Youth Discover Program is being offered at your school
- Learn more at skilledtradesbc.ca/youth

Explore the Trades

TRY OUT DIFFERENT TRADES AND BUILD YOUR SKILLS IN MULTIPLE TRADES

You'll learn the basics and get a sense of what trade you want to pursue. You'll also gain practical skills and even complete certifications that employers are looking for.



Explore the Trades

IS A YOUTH EXPLORE PROGRAM FOR YOU?

- You're in Grade 10-12
- You're interested in trying out different trades
- You may have some trades experience already

YOUR NEXT STEPS:

- Ask your career counsellor to see if a Youth Explore Program is offered in your area
- Learn more at skilledtradesbc.ca/youth



Explore the Trades - Skills

PROGRAM DETAILS:

- 120-hour high school course for students in Grade 9-12
- Usually delivered at school
- 5,000 participants per year
- Consists of four modules (approx. 30 hours each) that introduce students to trades careers through hands-on learning
 1. Core module
 2. Trades module
 3. Trades module
 4. Another trades module or a complementary module like robotics, drafting etc.

Explore the Trades - Sampler

PROGRAM DETAILS:

- 300+ hour (10-12 week) program covering 5+ different trades
- Usually delivered at a Post-Secondary
- In depth experience in each trade delivered in partnership with a post secondary school
- Workforce certificates included: First Aid, Fall Protection, Forklift Operator etc.
- Modules are selected from a pre-approved list to meet local/regional needs based on economics, job opportunities and interest
- May include a non-paid work experience
- ~750 participants per year





Train in Trades

GET A HEAD START ON YOUR TECHNICAL TRADES TRAINING

Attend a trades training class at a local high school, a partner post-secondary institution or a SkilledTradesBC certified training facility.

You'll learn from skilled instructors and earn credits that count towards your high school diploma and Level 1 of your technical trades training.

PROGRAM PATH



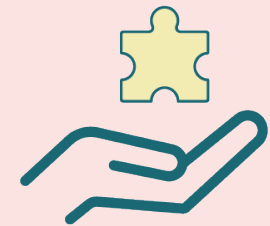
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IS A YOUTH TRAIN PROGRAM FOR YOU?

- You're in Grade 11-12
- You found a trade that you like and want to learn more

YOUR NEXT STEPS:

- Ask your career counsellor to see if a Youth Train Program is offered in your area
- Learn more at skilledtradesbc.ca/youth



Work in Trades

GET ON-THE-JOB TRAINING AS A YOUTH APPRENTICE

Get ahead on the work-based training of a trade apprenticeship while you're still in high school.

Not only will you take home a pay cheque, you'll earn up to **16 credits** towards your high school diploma, log **480 training hours** towards your trade credential and maybe even earn a \$1,000 scholarship.

PROGRAM PATH

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Trade Apprenticeship



Work in Trades

IS A YOUTH WORK PROGRAM FOR YOU?

- You're in Grade 10-12
- You want to get on-the-job training in your trade

YOUR NEXT STEPS:

- Ask your career counsellor on how to connect with a SkilledTradesBC Apprenticeship Advisor in your area
- Learn more at skilledtradesbc.ca/youth



What is an Apprenticeship?

A trade apprenticeship is how you gain the knowledge and skills you need for a career in your trade.

Most apprenticeships take about four years to complete.

You'll spend approximately six to eight weeks per year in the classroom or shop learning from an instructor. The rest of the year, you'll learn, working on a job site alongside experienced tradespeople and getting paid to do it.



CERTIFICATION EXAM



Certificate of
Qualification

OR

Red Seal
Endorsement



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