

School District No. 62 (Sooke)

CAREER EDUCATION	No.: B-132
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ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

BACKGROUND

Career Education in the Sooke School District encompasses both mandatory curriculum and a range of transitional courses and programs designed to support student choice. As an innovative learning community, the district has a long-standing tradition of offering Career Education Programs that equip students with practical skills and real-world experience.

These programs include, but are not limited to:

- Work and Volunteer Experience
- Youth Work in Trades
- Youth Train in Trades
- Dual Credit courses and programs

Through strong and expanding partnerships with the community, opportunities for students continue to grow and evolve. The district remains committed to developing programs that reflect the diverse needs, interests, and aspirations of its learners.

DEFINITIONS

Curriculum: The [Career Education curriculum](#) is highlighted by the Big Ideas in Kindergarten to grade 12 and is experienced by all students. In grades 10-12, students earn 8 credits towards graduation by completing Career Life Education, Career Life Connections, and their Capstone project/presentation. Students are supported through learning standards focused on Curricular Competencies and Content.

Dual Credit ([MECC Dual Credit Policy](#)): Are courses and/or programs where students gain post-secondary credits while still in high school.

TASK - Trades Awareness, Skills and Knowledge ([Youth Explore Trades Sampler Program Guide](#)): This program is for students in grades 10 - 12 to dive deep into a variety of trades as they find their preferred career path. Thanks to this partnership between the Ministry of Education and Child Care and SkilledTradesBC, students gain 300 hours of hands-on experience before they enroll in a high school apprenticeship program like Youth Train in Trades or Youth Work in Trades.

Work Experience ([Work Experience Program Guide](#)): Refers to components of educational programs that provide students with opportunities to participate in, observe, or learn about tasks and responsibilities related to various occupations or careers.

Youth Work in Trades ([Skilled Trades BC Youth Work in Trades Program Guide](#)): This program is a collaboration between the Ministry of Education and Child Care and SkilledTradesBC where high school students begin apprenticeship training while still in school.

Youth Train in Trades ([Skilled Trades BC Youth Train in Trades Program Guide](#)): This program is an industry training initiative for high school students, allowing them to take courses that provide both high school graduation credits and the equivalent of the first level of apprenticeship technical training.

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PROCEDURES

I. Approval and Operation

Career Education shall be developed and operated according to Ministry of Education and Child Care and Board of Education (the "Board") regulations and guidelines, as outlined in the definitions and linked documents listed above.

II. Co-ordination

The Board supports co-ordination for the development, maintenance, and management of career programs. Co-ordination shall include responsibilities at both district and school levels to ensure that:

- Ministry of Education and Child Care requirements for programs are met.
- Board policy and regulations are followed.
- New programs are developed as required by the Ministry of Education and Child Care and District Policy.
- Program coordination is outlined in the SD62 Career Education Handbook of Procedures.
- MOUs with partnering post-secondary institutions are annually updated and maintained and include Delivery Agreements detailing roles and responsibilities, processes, and requirements.