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## **Congratulations!**

Your Son/Daughter is invited to participate in an exciting “**Specialist High Skills Communications ICT/Design**” program being offered at Paris District High School.

### **What is the Specialist High Skills Major?**

The SHSM enables students to customize their high school experience to suit their interests and talents, and prepares them for a successful post secondary transition to apprenticeship training, college, university, or employment, while meeting the requirements of the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD).

### **What are the highlights of this Communications ICT/Design program?**

The Communications ICT/Design SHSM program includes:

- Nine Bundled Credits
- Four credits in Communication Technology and Design Technology/Computer Studies
- One grade 12 English credit
- One grade 11 Mathematics credit
- One senior Arts, Business or Science credit
- Two Co-op credits
- Sector-Recognized Certifications & Safety Awareness Training
- Experiential Learning through classroom and Cooperative Education
- Use of the Ontario Skills Passport (OSP)
- "Reach Ahead" Experiences connecting to post secondary and career opportunities

### **What is the SHSM Communications Technology Program (ICT) at PDHS?**

The Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) program in Communications ICT gives students an opportunity to specialize, gain qualifications, and plan a career pathway in various areas of the Communications/ IT profession(s) while still in high school. The SHSM Program has a number of required components, designed to give students a “leg-up” to pursue post-secondary opportunities in each of the identified sectors, valuing all 4 destinations.

At Paris District High School students will be involved with the practical and theoretical application of:

- Conceptual, product, industrial, architectural and mechanical design investigation
- Interactive media and portfolio development
- Computer software applications such as; Adobe Master Suite, Turing, Touch Development, AutoCAD, MasterCAM,
- Computer coding and programming

- Students will gain practical experience through community and sector partnerships and innovative projects such as:
- Skills Canada competitions
- Design competitions regionally and globally
- Blog development, video conferencing
- Design testing and analysis
- Technical film production fundamentals
- Sustainable design and “Green” technologies

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**Yes!** I am interested in participating in the SHSM Communications Technology Program (ICT) program being offered at Paris District High School

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Students Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**If you have any questions or concerns regarding this exciting new opportunity. Please contact Mr. Campbell at PDHS @ (519) 442-4477 ext. 45247 or your Guidance Counsellor**

**Or visit <http://www.granderie.ca/board/secondary/programs/shsm/information-and-communications-technology>**