

## What is a Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)?

An SHSM is a program offered in Grade 11 and 12 to students in all four pathways. The program enables students to focus their high school education on their career interests. Students who complete their SHSM will graduate with a specialized high school Diploma that is sector recognized

### What does an SHSM look like?

A SHSM is a bundle of up to 10 credits in Grade 11 and 12 that include two Experiential Learning (Co-op) credits

## What do you get by taking an SHSM?

- Sector-recognized certifications and training
- Real workplace experience
- Learning experiences connected with postsecondary opportunities
- Skills and work habits required for future employment success



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Specialist High Skills Major



### The Restoration Program Auto Body, Auto Service, and Small Engines Focus

**Tollgate Technical Skills Centre** 

Students in the TTSC Restoration SHSM learn the fundamentals of vehicle systems, safe and proper tool use and develop practical skills in transportation technology including interior and exterior finishes and repairs of vehicles.

"I enjoy the Transportation SHSM because it helps me work toward my apprenticeship hours and I plan on doing my apprenticeship as an auto body mechanic. I love cars." Austin Marshall (Grade 12 student)

#### **Benefits of the Restoration Program:**

- A focused approach to a career pathway
- Three senior credits (English, Math, and Science or Business) with units contextualized to the transportation industry
- A chance to work in the trade and apply skills and knowledge in a Cooperative work placement (two credits)
- Trade related certifications such as First Aid, CPR, WHMIS, customer service, and more, paid for by the SHSM program





