



SHSM Registration

Student's Name:

SHSM Program:

- Business
- Construction
- Energy
- Environment
- Health and Wellness
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Transportation

All SHSM programs require five (5) mandatory components. They are:

- ✓ A defined bundle of credits consisting of eight (8) to ten (10) Grade 11 and Grade 12 credits, including cooperative education credits;
 - ✓ Sector-recognized certifications and/or training;
 - ✓ Experiential learning and career exploration activities;
 - ✓ Learning experiences connected with the student's post-secondary plans ("reach ahead" experiences);
 - ✓ Sector-partnered experiences involving either ICE (innovation, creativity, and entrepreneurship), coding, or mathematical literacy.
- I understand the five (5) mandatory components of the SHSM program I wish to take part in.**

Briefly explain why you wish to enroll in this SHSM.

I have developed a plan in myBlueprint that reflects my commitment to completing the SHSM.

- Yes.
- No. I need some support from a Guidance Counsellor or SHSM Lead to develop my plan in myBlueprint.

Student's Declaration

I understand that Specialist High Skills Majors (SHSM) programs let students focus on a career path that matches their skills and interests while meeting the requirements of the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD).

Students receive **the SHSM seal on their OSSD** when they:

- complete a specific bundle of 8-10 courses in the student's selected sector;
- earn valuable industry certifications including first aid and CPR qualifications;
- gain important skills on the job through cooperative education placements.

I understand that according to the Ministry of Education “a student who decides not to continue in a particular SHSM and a student who decides to remain in an SHSM may both represent positive outcomes, because both decisions reflect informed choices.” If I choose to discontinue in my selected SHSM program, I will complete a “Withdraw from a SHSM Program” form and return it to the Guidance Office.

Student's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian's Acknowledgement

I understand that students in SHSM programs are registered officially with the Ministry of Education in Grades 11 and 12, and funding from the Ministry of Education has been provided to the Durham District School Board for the purpose of my child to complete the required components of their chosen SHSM program. Successful completion of all program requirements results in an OSSD with an SHSM Red Seal.

I support my child's plan and understand that according to the Ministry of Education “a student who decides not to continue in a particular SHSM and a student who decides to remain in an SHSM may both represent positive outcomes, because both decisions reflect informed choices.” If my child chooses to discontinue in their selected SHSM program, we will complete a “Withdraw from a SHSM Program” form and return it to the Guidance Office.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____