

CAREERS & TRADES

NOVEMBER 2021



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

MAKAYLEE

Graduate of Charles Best Secondary
SD43 Hairdressing Program Alumni

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Hairdressing Program



DID YOU KNOW?

Makaylee was featured in our Youth TRAIN in Trades Posters when she was in grade 8!

Makaylee is a 2021 graduate of Dr. Charles Best Secondary. During her grade twelve year, Makaylee completed the SD43 Hairdressing Program at Vancouver Community College. and earned her Level 1 certification as a Professional Hairstylist. At VCC, Makaylee was able to gain full theoretical knowledge and practical training in hair design including; cutting, coloring, styling, and overall salon management. Makaylee also had the opportunity to serve real clients at VCC's state-of-the-art salon and spa.

For more information on the SD43 Hairdressing Program click [HERE](#)

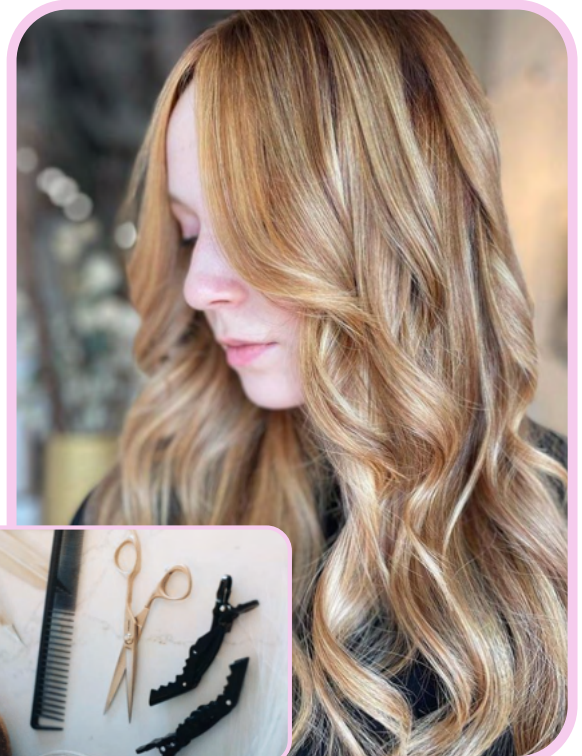
Since completing the program, Makaylee has been hired as a Junior Hairstylist at Remix Hair Studio. She is very excited to start her career as a Professional Hairstylist and is thankful for the opportunities that the SD43 Hairdressing Program has provided her.



REMIX STUDIO: INTRODUCING MAKAYLEE

Read below to hear what Remix Studio has to say about Makaylee!

"Makaylee graduated from VCC. she is an up-and-coming stylist working under the amazing stylists at Remix Hair Studio and taking in all their knowledge, expertise and meticulous talent. She has a passion for learning and is eager to take on the greatest colour challenges thrown her way. Starting off as a stylist assistant, this modest young lady worked her way onto the floor in record time by proving herself to be a natural talent. She has been taking on the challenge of colour balayage, highlights, hair cuts for men and women which most stylists would not tackle without more years of experience. On top of her hair skills, she has an easy-going personality, she is sweet, fun and has a very nice and calm vibe that will keep her future clients at ease and coming back for more. She looks forward to meeting you and bringing your hair dreams to life, with care and kindness."



GENERAL UPDATES

& PROGRAM INFORMATION

SD43 JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM- APPLICATIONS

Applications for the SD43 Junior Firefighter Program are now available on the SD43 Career & Trades Programs [website](#). Applications are due December 10, 2021 . Completed applications should be handed in to your counselor.

JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM: INFO SESSIONS

During the month of November all SD43 high schools will have an information session about the Junior Firefighter Program. This 15-20 minute presentation will be held at flex, lunch or after school and will be followed by a Q&A session. Listen to your schools announcements, or speak to your Post Secondary Career Advisor for more information.

SEMESTER 2 TRADES TRAINING PROGRAMS

Students can still apply for semester 2 programs. Don't miss out on your chance to take on of our 20+ Trades Training Programs. If you, or someone you know is interested, please visit our [website](#). Applications for semester 2 (2022) programs are due before December 10, 2021.

WOMEN IN TRADES NIGHT- DECEMBER 6, 2021

Are you a female interested in trades? Female students, in grades 9-12, who are taking tech ed classes, enrolled in a trades program, or alumni of a Trades Program are invited to the first ever virtual "Women in Trades Night" hosted by WITTBC (*Women in Trades Training BC*). This provincial-wide event offers young women the opportunity to:

- Meet other female trades students from across the province
- Hear stories from female trades professionals
- Learn about scholarship and educational opportunities available for women in trades

UBC ENGINEERING: OPEN HOUSE

Students can watch live presentations and speak with current UBC Engineering students, world-leading faculty and knowledgeable academic advisors from each of the 14 engineering undergraduate programs for both the UBC Vancouver and Okanagan campuses.

For the full schedule and to register: engineering.ubc.ca/openhouse

JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER



SAGE ECKHART



My name is Sage Eckhart and I am an Indigenous student in grade 11 at Encompass 10-12 in Coquitlam. I was lucky enough to have been able to attend the 2021 Junior Firefighting Academy in Coquitlam. The academy took place for 8 days at the fire station on Pinetree Avenue. Words can't even begin to describe how much I loved and enjoyed the fire fighter academy and found my inner passion for firefighting. I woke up each day looking forward to a full day of learning and experiencing new adventures. I savored each minute. The firefighter academy was a dream of mine that I got to realize. I feel so privileged to have obtained many new skills and to have met some amazing people and to have made so many incredible memories.

I learned how to use different techniques of tying ropes, the proper way to use a fire extinguisher and the different types of extinguishers for specific fires. I learned the different parts of a hose and ladder, and how to roll a fire hose into a perfect donut roll. I learned valuable new first aid skills and techniques that added to what I had learned previously. One of the most exciting things I learned was how to use the jaws of life which was thrilling and not as scary as it sounds, but really cool. It made me appreciate the extreme level that is sometimes needed to help extract people from dire situations.

The academy really opened my eyes to the intense amount of training that firefighters put in daily. Firefighters don't stop training after they get their job. They have to continue to maintain their physicality and continue to update their skills. It was so inspiring to witness the determination they have to practice and get better every single day at what they do. I was surprised to learn that they go to the gym almost every day and practice the same drills over and over to improve their time. I was shocked to learn how much weight firefighters have to carry. They need to carry their gear, hoses and possibly people on their shoulders. Firefighters can end up carrying between 200 to 300 pounds of extra weight. This has given me a new appreciation for how strong you need to be to do this job. The academy has really helped me to understand the role of a firefighter, beyond just putting out fires. I wish the academy was longer so that I could continue to learn and immerse myself in this experience. The only thing that disappointed me about this career field is that you have to retire at the age of 60.

One of my favourite activities was being able to repel off a tower with my teammates. It was empowering to learn the proper knots to tie and how to use our own knots to secure ourselves. It was an amazing team building experience as we had to help, encourage and trust each other by helping to lower our teammates. It was nervous at first to climb over the safety rail and trust that I would be safe. I had to push myself out of my comfort zone. Once I took a literal leap of faith, I loved every second of it and wanted to do it again.

It was an amazing feeling to prove to myself that I could push through my fears and trust my training. This career challenges you to be confident and fearless in a safe way. You are constantly putting yourself into dangerous situations to help others. It is truly about serving the community and helping those in need. I am eternally grateful to have been given the chance to experience the academy. It was life changing and a remarkable opportunity. I will never forget the people I met, the things I learned and the fun memories that I will cherish.

I would whole heartedly recommend this amazing experience to other students who have an interest in firefighting and want a challenge.



SD43 JUNIOR FIREFIGHTERS PROGRAM

Coquitlam Fire/Rescue, in partnership with School District 43, offers students in grades 11 and 12 the opportunity to gain hands-on experience in firefighting. The program gives youth who are considering their career options a close-up look at the profession of firefighting, including: participating in training exercises; experiencing the community goodwill; and the pride, excitement and camaraderie that come with the job.

Students are selected via a competitive application process. Besides providing students the opportunity to learn experientially about firefighter career opportunities, the program supports the City's long-term goal of fostering diversity within Coquitlam Fire and Rescue.

To access the application form and more information about the program can, simply click the word "here". Applications are due December 10 , 2021.

APPLY HERE

APPLICATIONS DUE DECEMBER 10, 2021

CARPENTRY PROGRAM

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Mr. Vickers
Instructor of the Carpentry Program

Carpenters build and repair a vast array of structures made of wood, wood-substitutes and other materials. Many work for construction companies, contractors and maintenance departments while others are self-employed. Carpentry is a nationally designated trade under the Inter-Provincial Red Seal program. Carpenters assemble and erect forms for concrete, wood and metal frame construction and use plans and instruments to prepare for excavating and shoring. On smaller projects, they direct concrete placement, and install exterior and interior finish materials such as siding, doors, windows and cabinets.

Terry Fox Secondary is home to the SD43 Carpentry Program. In partnership with BCIT, this program, offers students in grades 11 and 12 the opportunity to earn their Level 1 certificate in Carpentry. In this program students will learn skills in worksite safety, framing, concrete forming, building science, and more. Students will gain the technical skills necessary to attain a job as a Level 1 apprentice. Many of the students will be hired by companies in the Tri-Cities and will start their apprenticeship right out of high school. This program gives them a head start on their career and the opportunity to complete their Red Seal by the age of 23 years old.

APPRENTICESHIP PATHWAY - MAPPING YOUR WAY TO CERTIFICATION

APPRENTICESHIP
DIRECT ENTRY

20%
CLASSROOM

80%
WORK-BASED

CARPENTER LEVEL 1

Technical Training:
210 hours (7 weeks*)

Work-Based Training:
Accumulate hours
ITA Standardized
Written Exam

CARPENTER LEVEL 2

Technical Training:
210 hours (7 weeks*)

Work-Based Training:
Accumulate hours
ITA Standardized
Written Exam

CARPENTER LEVEL 3

Technical Training:
210 hours (7 weeks*)

Work-Based Training:
Accumulate hours
ITA Standardized
Written Exam

CARPENTER LEVEL 4

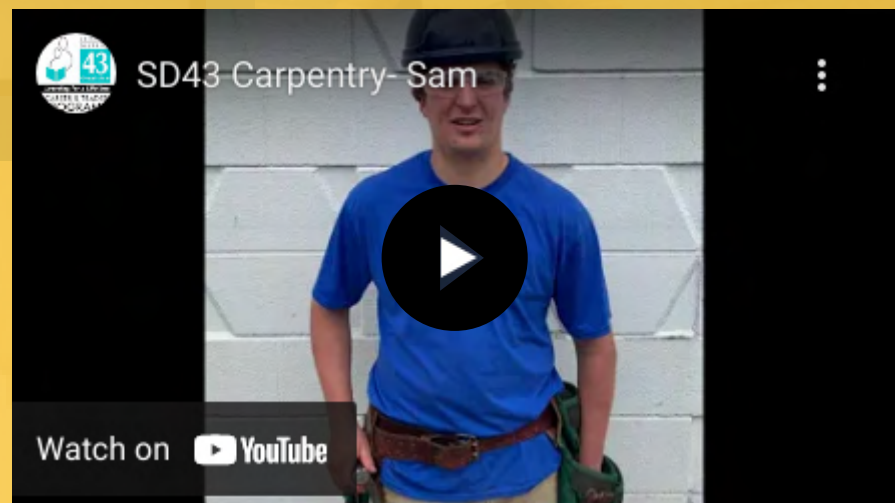
Technical Training:
210 hours (7 weeks*)

Work-Based Training:
6,480 hours total
Interprovincial
Red Seal Exam

For a full overview of
the trade [click here](#)



There are so many benefits in taking the SD43 Carpentry Program. Watch the videos below to hear from three of our graduates!



**WANT TO BECOME A
CARPENTER?**

APPLY HERE

WOMEN

IN TRADES NIGHT!

DECEMBER 6, 2021



The Coquitlam School District, in partnership with WITT BC (Women in Trades Training) will be hosting a Women in Trades Night on Monday, December 6th. Join us to meet other female trades students, listen to advice from Red Seal Tradeswomen, and learn about scholarship and career opportunities that are unique to women in trades. E-mail aimpellezzere@sd43.bc.ca to register

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EMPLOYER OF THE MONTH

It's always a good sign when you're a favorite among locals. Every element of Orrange Kitchen & Bar from the seating, fantastic service and abundant menu and drink options is designed to help you relax and unwind while enjoying a friendly atmosphere. It's the best spot to grab a quick lunch, dinner with friends and family or a special occasion meal.

Orrange Kitchen & Bar is not only a community favorite, but is also a proud supporter of the SD43 Career & Trades Programs. Orrange supports our students by sponsoring young apprentices who aspire to become professional cooks or gain hands-on experience in the food industry. Orrange takes pride in their mentorship program and is proud to contribute to the development of experienced, high-quality professionals in the trade.

The Coquitlam School District would like to thank Orrange Kitchen & Bar for their continued support of our WORK in Trades students.

Thank you!

ORRANGE KITCHEN+BAR





TRADE UP TO A GREAT

CAREER

LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS

