



What exactly does an Auto Refinishing Prep Tech do?

“...preparing for restoring vehicle finishes once body work has been completed and prior to painting... removing layers of sub-coating; mixing undercoats; preparing metal surfaces for painting by spot filling, sanding, and masking; applying primers, and primer surfacers; and cleaning and polishing painted surfaces.”

Why is this a wonderful opportunity to do in my grade 12 year?

It saves you about \$1,700 in tuition
You earn your Level 1 technical training while still in high school.

A fully certified (‘Red Seal’) Auto Refinishing Prep Tech will take 1 level of technical training and 1,680 hours of employment in this trade... you are well on your way on your career path!

Technical Training Partner

This “Youth TRAIN in Trades” post-secondary training program is a partnership between the **Coquitlam School District 43** and **Vancouver Community College (VCC)**. Feel free to contact any of the people below to ask questions or receive more information.



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More Info, including Apps

Please visit our website:
www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms



AUTO REFINISHING PREP TECH

Post Secondary Training
TUITION FREE!



Pre-Requisites

You **must** have the following courses completed before entering the program:

- English 11
- any Math 11 (“C+”)
- Auto 11 or any Tech Ed course

Part of the program will be prepping and learning about painting vehicles, it might be **suggested** to have experience in the following courses or areas:

- Art (gain an understanding of colour)

Equipment & Costs

Tuition: Free! SD43 will cover this fee.

Student fee: approximately **\$500.**
(study materials, UPass, and other VCC fees)

Students must supply their own **CSA** approved **safety boots** and (clear) **safety glasses.**

Program Schedule

This **5-month program** is taught at **VCC** (Broadway site) for **all of semester 2.** It runs **Monday to Thursday** (8.00am – 3.00pm). Students do **not** get a Spring Break, they will be attending VCC... but **no school on Fridays!**

Program Credits

Students who successfully pass this Trades Training program will gain:

- **16 high school credits** (grade 12 level) that count towards graduation
- **VCC course credits**
- **Level 1 technical training** recognized by the Industry Training Authority (ITA) and **450 certification hours**

Application Process

Go to:

www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms
(select the trade) to **learn more about the program** and to **print off an application** (top link in right column).

Completed **application forms**, which include a **letter of reference** and an **updated resume**, are submitted to their **counselors.**

Applications are taken on a “**rolling basis**”, meaning **students can apply any time after Sept. 1st of the current school year for the following school year’s intake**

The **Coquitlam coordinator will do a personal interview once a completed application is received**, Final decisions are made in mid-May but early offers of acceptance will be granted in some areas where there is strong application.

Program intake limited to 1-2 students



Is this Auto Refinishing Prep Tech Program right for me?

This amazing opportunity is appropriate for students who demonstrate the following:

- Passion with working with their hands to prepare cars and light trucks for painting
- Ability to work safely at all times
- Good reading comprehension and study skills
- Desire to continue into the “**Automotive Painting**” trade Almost perfect attendance and punctuality record
- Physical and mental abilities to perform the daily tasks associated in working in the industry
- High degree of commitment and maturity
- Ability to multi-task
- Good interpersonal / client skills