HOW DOES IT WORK?
Students take a bundle of 8-10 courses in grades 11 and 12 including four “major” credits in their area of interest. English, Mathematics, Science or Business courses are specifically designed to complement the “majors.” Students can take at least two co-op credits and get valuable experience related to their SHSM.

SHSM Sectors at Waterloo Catholic DSB
- Arts & Culture
- Business
- Construction
- Energy
- Sports
- Environment
- Health & Wellness
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Manufacturing
- Transportation
- Information & Communications Technology
- Justice, Community Safety & Emergency Services
- Non-profit- Education Stream
- Horticulture & Landscaping

Please note: available majors vary by school. Check out highskills.ca to see what is offered at your high school.

WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES?
SHSM Students will:

- HEAR and SEE first hand what a career in their sector feels and looks like
- NETWORK with post-secondary institutions, and local industries
- COMPLETE industry recognized certifications and training
- APPLY for SHSM Scholarship and bursary opportunities
- DISCOVER the relationship between school and careers
- GAIN confidence in their ability to succeed
- OPEN doors for summer jobs and future employment
- EARN a Red Seal designation on their OSSD

WWW.HIGHSKILLS.CA  shsm@wcdsb.ca  @SHSM_WCDSB
# HOW TO PLAN FOR SHSM

Plan ahead by encouraging your child to...

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GRADE 7 &amp; 8</th>
<th>GRADE 9</th>
<th>GRADE 10</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Investigate their interests and passions inside and outside of school</td>
<td>Enroll in courses that align with their interests, skills and academic abilities</td>
<td>Explore opportunities in the Career Studies Course</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Use MyBlueprint to start their secondary school education plan</td>
<td>Review and update their education plan on MyBlueprint</td>
<td>Use MyBlueprint to align their post-secondary plans with their current secondary school education plan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Attend Grade 8 Information Nights to consult with teachers and counsellors</td>
<td>Consult with guidance counsellors to ensure they have the pre-requisite courses</td>
<td>Sign-up for the SHSM program &amp; consult with SHSM Lead Teacher, or Guidance before grade 11 course selection</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Planning early will allow students to...

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GRADE 11</th>
<th>GRADE 12</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Begin SHSM programming and work towards completion Select appropriate Grade 12 SHSM courses</td>
<td>Complete SHSM requirements. Apply for post-secondary opportunities, scholarships, and/or bursaries</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>