

# ACE IT

A Post Secondary Program for  
Secondary School Students



**“Opportunity is missed by most people because it comes dressed in overalls and looks like work!”**

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## Carpentry

**Do you dream about building and working with tools?  
If so, we have the perfect program for you!**

### The Frame work

The ACE IT Carpentry Training Program is here to help you follow your passion, and change it into your career. The new skills and experience acquired, combined with your talent will give you a boost into the field of carpentry.

Upon successful completion, you will receive credit for Level 1 of the Carpentry apprenticeship program. Carpenter is a nationally designated trade under the Interprovincial Red Seal program.

This ten month program is offered on a day 2 in a Vancouver high school.

### Nailing down a job

You can find employment in a variety of settings with:

- construction companies
- contractors (residential or commercial)
- maintenance departments

Remember, if you achieve your Interprovincial Red Seal, you can work anywhere in Canada.

### The task at hand

- learn basic skills required by industry
- learn safe work practices
- put your innovative mind and creativity to work
- build frames & structures
- build concrete formwork



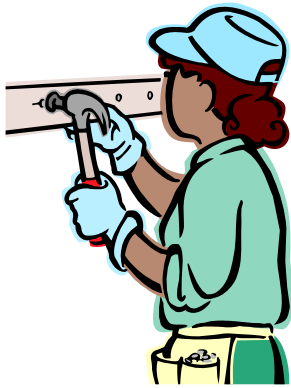
### Building the framework

You must intend to complete all secondary school graduation requirements. As well you should have:

- Carpentry, Woodworking, Drafting courses (as many as possible)
- Math 11
- “L” drivers license

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### Do you have what it takes?

If you have the following as part of your personality, then you're already half way there!

- fluent in English (oral and written)
- dedication, commitment and maturity to further your desired career goals
- strong interest in the field of carpentry
- good dexterity and hand-eye coordination
- ability to work independently
- high physical fitness level
- comfortable working at various heights
- social and friendly, able to work with a team

### WHO TO CONTACT

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### Check out these websites!

[www.itabc.ca](http://www.itabc.ca)

[www.vsb.bc.ca](http://www.vsb.bc.ca)

go to: → Programs  
→ Secondary Students  
→ ACE IT Programs

### What we've got for you!

Our program is designed especially for young minds like yours. Our carpentry program features modern day equipment and techniques, you'll get the best to be the best, with courses such as:

- Description of the Carpentry Trade
- Safe Work Practices
- Drawing and Specification Interpretation
- Material Identification
- Hand Tools
- Portable Power Tools
- Shop Equipment
- Survey Instruments
- Site Layouts
- Building Concrete Formwork
- Frame Residential Housing

### What do you accomplish?

When you take the ACE IT Carpentry program you will:

- complete Level 1 of the Carpentry Program which saves you \$2400 in tuition
- receive 16-20 credits towards graduation
- receive an additional 16 credits if enrolled in Secondary School Apprenticeship either during or at the completion of the ACE IT program

Having achieved all this you are now able to start your apprenticeship with a trades qualified carpenter.

### How to make it happen!

There are several steps for you to complete:

- You must meet with your counsellor and parent(s) to help plan the program.
- Once that's done, hand in your application package to your counsellor or the Career Centre. Application deadlines are listed on the VSB website.
- After that, the District Career Programs staff at the VSB will review the application then get back to you for an interview that could allow you to get ready to embark on your first career!