

Discover Trades

What is the Discover Trades Program?

It is a NEW program offered at GP this school year that covers two blocks of hands on in a variety of trades, such as Carpentry, Plumbing, Electrical, Drafting, Automotive and much more. It has proven to be a very inspiring and rewarding program for those students who have been exposed to ALL those trades. This program can facilitate entry into one of the many District Partnership Programs that Surrey School District offers to Grade 11 and 12 students (stay tuned next month for an article on these partnership programs). This has become a reality for one of our GP students. Here's what he said:



"I like working with my hands, doing construction and learning more about building so when I saw it in the course selection I thought it would be a good opportunity, something that could be used for the future."

Being in Discover Trades inspired him to pursue a trade as a future career choice. He has recently been a successful applicant to our Carpentry District Program held right here at GP.

What did students make in the Discover Trades Program?



Students began the semester building a 4x6 room where they learned to build walls properly, build walls with a door, install power for outlets and switches for lights. They learned to assemble a sink with both hot and cold and to provide drainage. They also learned to lay laminate flooring in their "room" and finish the roof.

They then had the choice of an independent project, building either a doghouse or a garbage cart which would then be sold to a member of the public.



What do GP students say about the program?

“In the Discover Trades program you are exposed to much more than construction trades, you also get to experience in automotive, engine repair and dent repair.”

“Would definitely recommend the program – you learn a lot! Think everyone should take the program “

