



ACE IT

Dual Credit Program

Automotive Refinishing Prep Technician

Do you enjoy hands-on work? Like cars? If so we have the perfect program for you!



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WHAT IS IT?

The ACE IT Automotive Refinishing Prep Technician program helps you follow your passion and make it your career. The skills and experience acquired, combined with your mechanical aptitude, will give you a boost into the work of an Automotive Refinishing Prep Technician.

Upon successful completion, you will receive credit for Level 1 Technical Training of the Automotive Refinishing Prep Technician apprenticeship program.

Automotive Refinishing Prep Technician is a BC recognized trade.

This five month program is 4 days a week (Monday to Thursday) from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm at VCC from February to June.

This program is held at:

VCC
1155 East Broadway
Vancouver, BC

THE TASK AT HAND

- learn safe work practices
- repair or replace damaged auto body parts
- apply primers and repaint surfaces
- use hand tools and specialized automotive repair equipment
- inspect damage and make repair recommendations

WHAT YOU NEED

You must intend to complete all secondary school graduation requirements and have:

- as many automotive courses as possible
- an "L" driver's license
- work experience
- attended the VCC Transportation Trades Tour

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Employment can be found in a variety of settings such as:

- auto body collision & repair shops
- motor vehicle dealerships
- private shops

Check out these websites!

www.itabc.ca

www.vsb.bc.ca/programs/ace-it-programs





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STEPS TO BECOME CERTIFIED IN THIS TRADE

- 5 months school (ACE IT)
- 1680 work based training hours

Then you will achieve the BC Certificate of Qualification.

To continue in the trade to become a RED SEAL AUTOMOTIVE PAINTER

- 4 weeks Level 2
- 1680 further work based training hours

DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES?

If you have the following assets, then you're already half way there!

- fluent in English (oral and written)
- strong automotive skills
- good general health and respiratory condition
- physical strength and stamina
- ability to tolerate noise and strong odours
- mechanical aptitude and interest
- good manual dexterity & hand-eye coordination
- good eyesight and normal colour vision
- good line, form and depth perception

HERE'S WHAT YOU WILL GAIN

When you have successfully completed this program with a **70% pass rate** you will have earned:

- Level 1 Technical Training of the Automotive Refinishing Prep Technician Program which will save you approximately \$1800 in tuition
- 20 credits towards high school graduation
- an additional 16 credits **if enrolled** in Secondary School Apprenticeship either during or at the completion of the ACE IT program

Having achieved this you are able to start your apprenticeship with a trades qualified Automotive Refinishing Prep Technician.

WHAT WE'VE GOT FOR YOU!

Our program is designed especially for young minds like yours, and offers skill development appropriate for today's industry standard. You'll cover such topics as:

- Paint shop safety
- Tools and equipment
- Spray guns
- Air compressors
- Air transformers and hoses
- Spray booths, bake oven, heat lamps
- Surface preparation
- Masking
- Undercoats
- Topcoats
- Solvents
- Paint preparation and application (complete, blends and spot repair)
- Paint repairing and colour matching plastics
- Pre-delivery

Costs to the student

Books, materials and U-Pass required for this program will cost **approximately \$600.**

HOW TO MAKE IT HAPPEN!

The next steps are for you to:

- Meet with your Counsellor, Career Coordinator or Career Advisor and parent(s) to help plan the program.
- Complete an application package and submit it to any of the above.

After that, the VSB District Career Programs staff will review the application then arrange an interview.

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