

Vocational Training Opens Doors

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In Quebec, vocational training is important for English-language education and the economy. As technologies change, the need for skilled trades is growing. With 28 programs across 8 industry sectors offered by the Lester B. Pearson School Board, vocational training opens doors for individuals and provides flexible education pathways to trades and careers.

WHAT IS VOCATIONAL TRAINING?

Vocational training provides a fast track to an exciting career while doing something you love.



WHO IS VOCATIONAL TRAINING FOR?

- Individuals who are looking to:
- Turn a passion into a career
 - Improve their employability skills
 - Switch careers



WHAT DOES VOCATIONAL TRAINING LOOK LIKE?

Program length:

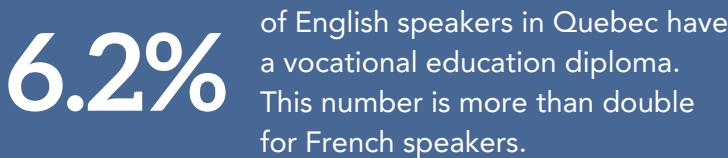
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Lester B. Pearson School Board offers various certifications including:

- Diploma of Vocational Studies (DVS)
- Attestation of Vocational Training Specialization (AVS)
- Skills Training Certificate (STC)

ENGLISH VOCATIONAL TRAINING IN QUEBEC ¹

More than 670 English-language vocational and technical training programs are available through 87 institutions, including CEGEPs, colleges, and vocational centres within school boards.



Benefits:

- Efficient entry into the workforce
- Accessible educational pathway, with most programs offered at no cost to students

REFERENCES AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

¹ The information in this section is from the following source: Provincial Employment Roundtable (PERT), *English-Language Vocational and Technical Training in Québec*, Report, n.d., pertquebec.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/English-Language-Vocational-and-Technical-Training-in-Quebec.pdf

Learn more about the CARE Conference: gesba.qc.ca/en/communiqués-presse/care-conference-september-25-26-2024/

Find a skilled trade in Quebec (for students): findyourowntrade.com

Demystifying vocational training (for parents): espaceparents.org/en/post-secondary/vocational-training/demystifying-vocational-training

Read more about professional development (for teachers): observatoirefp.org/en/

For more information on programs offered by Lester B. Pearson School Board: lbpcce.ca