

SPECIALIST
HIGH SKILLS
MAJOR

Iroquois Ridge High School **BUSINESS**

Program Overview:

The Iroquois Ridge Business Special High Skills Major is a cross-curricular program that will expose students to all four post-secondary destinations - apprenticeship, college, university and workplace.

Students will have an opportunity to explore different areas of business such as Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Accounting, Business Leadership and Management, while gaining real-world experience.

Depending on the courses selected, students will be exposed to a wide range of authentic business experiences such as:

- engaging with entrepreneurs and other business people
- participating in University Stock Market Competition
- visiting post secondary institutions
- participating in OBEA contests

- taking part in real-world business simulations
- certification in a variety of business-related competencies

Students will:

- Complete a Co-op placement in the field of business
- Complete 6 certifications recognized by the business sector
- Complete contextualized (business-related) units in math and English
- Engage in business reach-ahead experiences
- Develop problem solving, teamwork, management, and leadership skills in a business setting

The Business SHSM is an opportunity for students to participate in an experiential education program with a business focus. By engaging students in unique learning experiences, the Business Specialist High Skills Major will prepare students for life in a changing world.



Course Package

Students must have the following:

Grade 11

- ✓ Two Business Credits
- ✓ One English Credit (Depending on post-secondary destination)
- ✓ One Math Credit

Grade 12

- ✓ Two Business Credits
- ✓ One English Credit
- ✓ One Math Credit (Depending on post-secondary destination)

Students will also take the appropriate math and English courses in both years to support their chosen post-secondary destination. Students will complete two credits of co-operative education, which is also referred to as a Business Internship.

Who would be interested in the program?

Students who have successfully completed Grade 10 and are:

- passionate about business
- looking for authentic business experiences beyond the classroom
- planning to incorporate business studies into their post-secondary goals
- interested in further developing their employability skills

How can I get more information?

Parent information nights are held throughout the year to allow interested students and parents to seek further details on the program. For additional information, you can visit www.irhs.ca or www.schooltocareer.ca.

Application Details and Contact information:

To register for the program, go to www.onsorts.ca or contact Nancy Anstett (anstetta@hdsb.ca) in the Ridge's Personal and Career Counseling office (PCC).

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