



What are Trade Schools for the Future?

Trade Schools Apprenticeship Brokers work regularly at our school, with school staff, to support young people to gain practical skills towards a trade and to become work-ready while still at school.

Young people will be able study at Renmark High School, to achieve their South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) while learning skills and working toward industry-accredited qualifications. They will be better prepared to take on apprenticeships and skilled jobs in areas that include:

- manufacturing (e.g. machine operator, welder, metal fabricator)
- electro technology (e.g. electrician, electrical systems maintenance technician, refrigeration and air-conditioning mechanic)
- engineering (e.g. fitter and turner, plant mechanic, metal machinist)
- the automotive industry (e.g. auto mechanic, diesel mechanic, heavy mobile equipment mechanic)
- mining resources (e.g. construction trades – carpenter, plumber, mine equipment operator, drilling operator)
- community services / health (e.g. child care worker, aged care worker, health technician)

How do Trade Schools for the Future work?

Students can begin a paid apprenticeship or complete a paid traineeship while still at school, spending their week days involved in a combination of school, working at a business and skills training at a TAFE or other training provider.

A school-based apprenticeship gives students a head start towards their chosen career. This includes valuable, hands-on industry experience.

The Apprenticeship Brokers also make sure that contracts of training for young people are fair and reasonable for everyone involved. They work with employers and training providers to support students in completing their apprenticeships after leaving school.

Work Skills and Qualifications

Students will be able to study towards a Certificate II, III, IV, Diploma or Advanced Diploma to get the career they want. Students undertake their trade skills studies under a contract of training as an Australian School Based Apprenticeship. The contract of training sets out their conditions of employment while involved in the trade school program.

It is expected that a student undertaking a school based apprenticeship will complete about 30 per cent of a Certificate III qualification over two years.

The aim is to ensure all young people involved obtain skills, work and careers that have a real future, while industry and South Australia build a better skilled workforce.

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