
CTS Draft Programs of Study
CTS Learning and Teaching Resources
CTS News and Updates



<http://education.alberta.ca/teachers/program/cts.aspx>

All Authorized Resources



Authorized Resources Database

<http://education.alberta.ca/apps/lrdb>

Authorized Digital Support Resources



<http://www.learnalberta.ca>

Authorized Distributed Learning Resources



<http://www.tools4teachers.ab.ca/t4t>

Authorized Resources for Purchase and Access to Specialized Services (for visually impaired students)

Learning Resources Centre 

<http://www.lrc.education.gov.ab.ca>

For more information ...

Connection: Information for Teachers

Stay connected! with CTS updates:
<http://education.alberta.ca/teachers/resources/connection.aspx> (October, January and May)



CTS Conference

May 7–9, 2009
Fantasyland Hotel
Edmonton, Alberta
<http://cts.teachers.ab.ca>

WorldSkills Calgary 2009

September 1–7, 2009
<http://www.worldskills2009.com/>

CTS Blog

<http://discuss.learning.gov.ab.ca/blogs/BIT>

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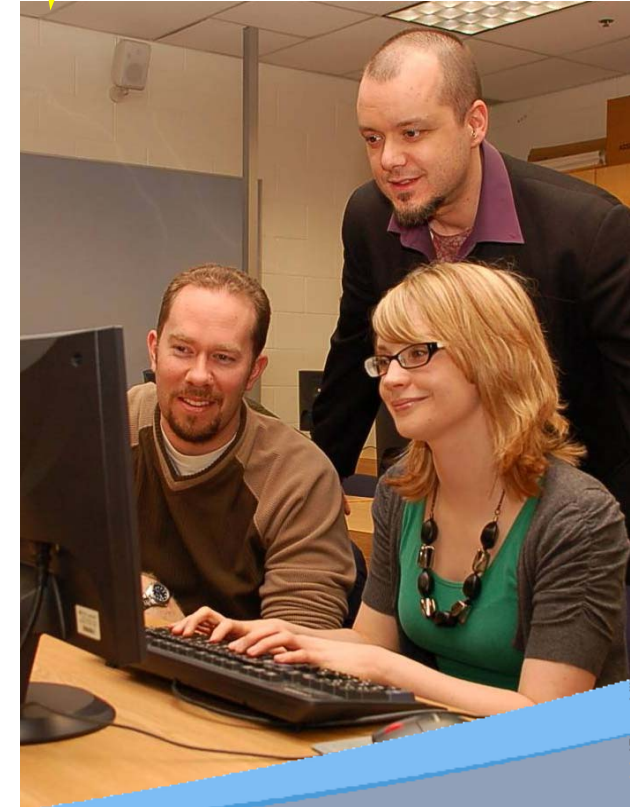
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Resources and Professional Learning Opportunities



Vision: CTS engages students in learning opportunities to discover their interests in practical and purposeful ways.

Revised Curriculum

The Career and Technology Studies (CTS) program is under revision with curriculum implementation dates scheduled for September 2009 and September 2010. The cluster-pathway model for the revised CTS program has reorganized the twenty-two strands into five clusters:

Cluster

- **Trades, Manufacturing and Transportation (TMT)**
- **Business, Administration, Finance and Information Technology (BIT)**
- Health, Recreation and Human Services (HRH)
- Media, Design and Communication Arts (MDC)
- Natural Resources (NAT)

Authorized Learning and Teaching Resources

A new collection of authorized print, digital and online resources are scheduled to be available for implementation of the revised CTS program.

- Resources for the TMT and BIT clusters will be available as they are authorized, as early as February 2009.
- Authorized resource lists for the TMT and BIT clusters are scheduled to be available by April 2009.
- Authorized resource lists for the HRH, MDC and NAT clusters are scheduled to be available by April 2010.

All authorized resources can be accessed through:



Authorized Resources Database

1. Go to <http://education.alberta.ca/apps/lrdb>.
2. Use the drop-down menu under Curriculum Area to select the CTS cluster (e.g., CTS: Trades, Manufacturing and Transportation), then click the Search button. All authorized resources for that cluster will display in the search result.

TIP: Refine your search by inputting a specific CTS Course Code, selecting Authorization Status, Format, or entering key words in the Annotation field.

Ensure you are accessing new resources!

Check that the authorization date for the resource you have selected for the TMT or BIT cluster is 2009.

Curriculum Implementation

September 2010
September 2010
September 2010

Assessment for CTS

A new assessment model for CTS has been developed that focuses on process over product and a student-centred approach to learning and teaching. Performance tasks, a collection of assessment tools and multimedia support are scheduled to be available in September 2009 at LearnAlberta.ca.

CTS Guide

The existing *CTS Manual for Administrators, Counsellors and Teachers* is being updated to reflect the revised CTS program and the needs of today's teachers and learning environments. The new CTS Guide will be presented in an online format and is scheduled to be available in September 2009 at the **CTS Learning and Teaching Resources** page of the Alberta Education Web site: <http://education.alberta.ca/teachers/program/cts/resources.aspx>.

Sections of the guide will include information on:

- program overview and curriculum structure
- developing an implementation plan
- policies, guidelines and funding
- support for teachers new to CTS
- selecting and using learning and teaching resources
- assessment for learning and teaching in CTS
- strategies for instruction; e.g., personalized learning, performance-based learning, constructivist learning, integrated learning environments
- integrating technology outcomes
- integrating workplace health and safety
- integrating career development.

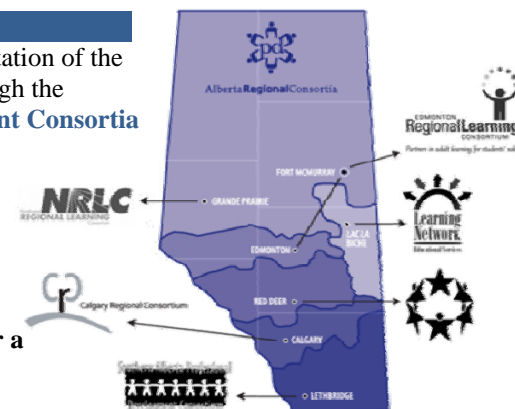
Professional Learning Opportunities

Learning opportunities to support implementation of the revised CTS program will be available through the **Alberta Regional Professional Development Consortia** over the next three years, including:

- Face-to-face sessions and workshops
- Online webinars
- Summer programs

Check with your Regional Consortium for a schedule of sessions in your area:

<http://www.arpdc.ab.ca/contact.html>.



Workplace Health and Safety

Development to address the safety component of CTS has been initiated through two projects:

- An interactive student resource that accompanies the *Work Safe Alberta Workplace and Safety Teacher Resource Binders* and *Toolkit* focused on five major health and safety hazards. The Work Safe Teacher Resource Binders and Toolkit were distributed to all schools in October 2006 and are available online at <http://employment.alberta.ca/cps/rde/xchg/hre/hs.xsl/3133.html>.
- Teacher professional development resources focused on hazard identification, analysis/assessment and control are in development through a joint project with the Job Safety Skills Society of Alberta.

Career Development

Everyday Career Development, a new teacher resource, addresses the career component of CTS and is scheduled to be available in September 2009 at the **CTS Learning and Teaching Resources** page of the Alberta Education Web site.

Distributed Learning Resources

Online courseware to support distributed learning is in development and is scheduled to be available for implementation of the revised CTS program. Distributed learning resources are available at Tools4Teachers.ca.