Department of Teaching & Learning
Parent/Student Course Information

Carpentry
(VO8602)
Three Credits, One Year
Grades 10 - 12

Counselors are available to assist parents and students with course selections and career planning. Parents may arrange to meet with the counselor by calling the school's guidance department.

COURSE DESCRIPTION
In this course, students learn the use and maintenance of hand and power tools utilized in the field of carpentry. The kinds, grades, and characteristics of building materials are covered in depth, as well as the proper method of cutting, shaping and joining. This course also includes reading blueprints; building foundations; framing floors, walls, stairs and roofs; installing windows and doors; and applying exterior and interior finishes.

CERTIFICATION
Skills Connect: Carpentry

STUDENT ORGANIZATION
SkillsUSA is a co-curricular organization for all students enrolled in trade and industrial education programs. SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA helps students excel by providing educational programs, events and competitions that support career and technical education (CTE) in the nation’s classrooms. Students are highly encouraged to participate.

PREREQUISITE
Construction Technology

OPTIONS FOR NEXT COURSE
None

REQUIRED STUDENT TEXTBOOK
None
COMPETENCIES FOR CARPENTRY

Demonstrating Workplace Readiness Skills: Personal Qualities and People Skills
1. Demonstrate positive work ethic.
2. Demonstrate integrity.
3. Demonstrate teamwork skills.
4. Demonstrate self-representation skills.
5. Demonstrate diversity awareness.
6. Demonstrate conflict-resolution skills.
7. Demonstrate creativity and resourcefulness.

Demonstrating Workplace Readiness Skills: Professional Knowledge and Skills
8. Demonstrate effective speaking and listening skills.
9. Demonstrate effective reading and writing skills.
10. Demonstrate critical-thinking and problem-solving skills.
11. Demonstrate healthy behaviors and safety skills.
12. Demonstrate an understanding of workplace organizations, systems, and climates.
13. Demonstrate lifelong-learning skills.
14. Demonstrate job-acquisition and advancement skills.
15. Demonstrate time-, task-, and resource-management skills.
16. Demonstrate job-specific mathematics skills.
17. Demonstrate customer-service skills.

Demonstrating Workplace Readiness Skills: Technology Knowledge and Skills
18. Demonstrate proficiency with technologies common to a specific occupation.
19. Demonstrate information technology skills.
20. Demonstrate an understanding of Internet use and security issues.
21. Demonstrate telecommunications skills.

Examining All Aspects of an Industry
22. Examine aspects of planning within an industry/organization.
23. Examine aspects of management within an industry/organization.
24. Examine aspects of financial responsibility within an industry/organization.
25. Examine technical and production skills required of workers within an industry/organization.
26. Examine principles of technology that underlie an industry/organization.
27. Examine labor issues related to an industry/organization.
28. Examine community issues related to an industry/organization.
29. Examine health, safety, and environmental issues related to an industry/organization.

Addressing Elements of Student Life
30. Identify the purposes and goals of the student organization.
31. Explain the benefits and responsibilities of membership in the student organization as a student and in professional/civic organizations as an adult.
32. Demonstrate leadership skills through participation in student organization activities, such as meetings, programs, and projects.
33. Identify Internet safety issues and procedures for complying with acceptable use standards.

Applying Basic Construction Safety Standards (Core Safety)
34. Comply with federal, state, and local safety legal requirements, including OSHA, VOSHA, and EPA.
35. Identify personal protective equipment (PPE) requirements.
36. Inspect and maintain a safe working environment.
37. Explain safe working practices around electrical hazards.
38. Identify emergency first aid procedures.
39. Identify the types of fires and the methods used to extinguish them.
40. Inspect course-specific hand and power tools to visually identify defects.
41. Demonstrate lifting and carrying techniques.
Demonstrate safe laddering techniques.
Demonstrate safe scaffolding techniques.
Report personal injuries, environmental, and equipment safety violations to the appropriate authority.
Pass a safety exam for shop/site safety and specific tool use.
Identify the responsibilities and personal characteristics of a professional carpenter.
Research local and regional opportunities in the construction industry.
Describe the interrelationship among professional entities common to the construction industry.

Focusing on the Carpentry Profession
Communicate verbally and in writing, using construction terminology.
Identify communication technology and hand signals common to the construction site.
Measure materials, using a standard measuring device.

Using Hand and Power Tools
Identify the basic hand tools and commonly used power tools used in carpentry.
Maintain hand and power tools.
Describe the safe use of nail guns.

Interpreting Blueprints
Correlate information on blueprints to actual locations on the print.
Interpret drawing dimensions.
Describe the importance of the Virginia Unified Statewide Building Code (USBC), what it governs, and how to use it as a reference.

Identifying Basic Rigging Procedures
Identify the use of slings and common rigging hardware.
Identify the basic inspection techniques and rejection criteria used for slings and hardware.
Identify the basic hitch configurations and their proper connections.
Identify basic load-handling safety practices.
Demonstrate American National Standards Institute (ANSI) hand signals.

Assembling and Fastening Components
Identify nailing schedules for selected materials, according to local building codes.

Estimating and Selecting Materials
Determine materials from a blueprint.
Estimate labor and material cost.
Determine the proper use of materials.

Building and Installing Foundations and Forms
Set up a builder's level and a laser level.
Establish elevation points from a benchmark.
Install batter boards.
Identify types of footings.
Construct and align the foundation wall and wall forms to include pilasters and beam pockets.
Describe wall-framing techniques (e.g., block, poured) used in masonry construction.
Describe the installation of window and door jambs in masonry openings.
Describe form maintenance.

Framing a Floor
Install the sill plate.
Install a solid or composite wood beam/girder.
Install the lally column (i.e., basement pole).
Assemble floor framing detail on the sill plate.
Assemble floor joists.
Frame the floor opening.
Install floor joists.
Install bridging and blocking.
Install subfloor sheathing.
Select subfloor framing fasteners and adhesives.

**Framing Walls**
- Lay out the floor deck for walls.
- Lay out stud spacing on wall plates.
- Cut and assemble studs, headers, jacks, rough sills, and cripples.
- Assemble the corner and tee posts.
- Assemble the header.
- Frame the door opening.
- Frame the window opening.
- Assemble wall sections, including metal studs.
- Install the double top plate (i.e., cap plate).
- Install wall blocking (i.e., backing).
- Describe the procedures and requirements for installing fire stops.
- Install a corner brace.
- Install exterior wall sheathing.
- Raise a wall.

**Framing a Ceiling**
- Lay out ceiling framing detail on the top wall plate.
- Cut ceiling joists.
- Install the ceiling joists.
- Frame the ceiling opening.
- Install a strongback (i.e., stiffener or catwalk).

**Framing a Roof**
- Lay out roof framing detail on the cap plate.
- Lay out the common, header, and cripple rafters.
- Lay out a common rafter as a pattern.
- Reproduce common rafters from a pattern.
- Install the ridgeboard.
- Frame the roof opening.
- Install common rafters.
- Frame a gable end.
- Frame a blind valley (i.e., overlay valley).
- Frame a gable dormer.
- Frame a shed dormer.
- Install the collar beams (i.e., rafter ties).
- Install the purlins.
- Install roof sheathing.
- Frame a chimney saddle (i.e., cricket).

**Installing Trusses**
- Lay out a truss installation.
- Describe the safe selection, setting, and anchoring of trusses by hand or by crane.
- Brace the roof assembly.
- Frame an opening in the roof assembly.

**Installing Roofing**
- Install roof underlayment.
- Install valley flashing.
- Install 3-tab composite shingles.
- Install the ridge cap.
- Install composite shingles in a valley.
- Install composite shingles around the roof opening.
- Identify attic area ventilators.
Constructing and Installing Straight (i.e., Basic) Stairs
130 Calculate the rise and run for stairs.
131 Lay out a straight-run stair stringer.
132 Cut the stair components.
133 Construct the unfinished stair unit.

Installing Exterior Doors and Windows
134 Install prehung exterior door units.
135 Identify types of exterior doors.
136 Identify types of interior doors.
137 Install the garage door and jamb.
138 Identify types of windows.
139 Install new-construction windows.

Framing Decks and Porches
140 Install footings.
141 Identify superstructure of attachment.
142 Install ledger board, fasteners, wind bracing, joist hangers, and flashing.
143 Install posts.
144 Install a solid or composite wood beam/girder.
145 Install the deck joist.
146 Install decking material.
147 Install railings.
148 Identify types of decking materials.

Installing Exterior Finishes
149 Construct a box and a rake cornice.
150 Install a fascia.
151 Install a soffit.
152 Install a corner board for siding.
153 Install siding and accompanying accessories.

Installing Interior Finishes
154 Install gypsum board.
155 Install paneling and trim.
156 Install shelving.
157 Install baseboard.
158 Install ceiling molding.
159 Case an interior opening.
160 Install an interior door jamb.
161 Install a prehung interior door unit.
162 Install a sliding, bi-fold, swinging, or pocket door.
163 Install a cylinder lockset.
164 Install weather stripping.
165 Construct open shelving.
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