



Information Session on College and Trade Applications

January 12, 2022

Agenda

- General Information:
 - Choosing a program and a college;
 - College admission requirements;
 - List of information sessions;
 - The types of college programs.
- General Application information
- Overview of application systems
- Most common Application systems: SRAM, Dawson, Champlain St-Lambert and Marianopolis College as well as other application systems.
- The College's answer (Accepted/refused)
- College services
- Vocational training
- References

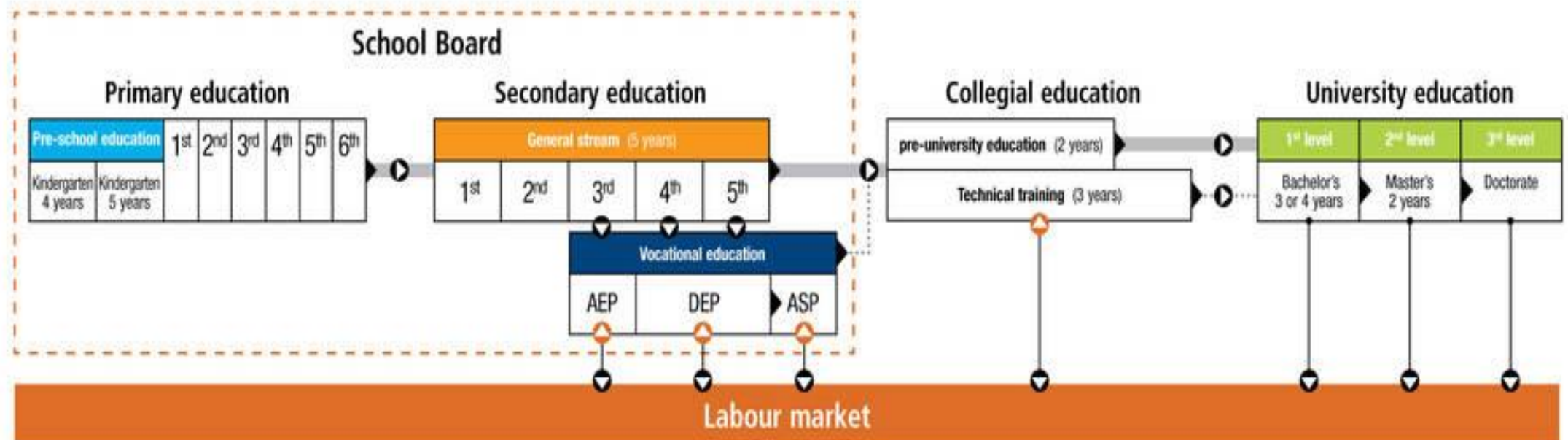
Choosing a program and a college/Trade

Some things to consider:

- You will want to make sure you're studying something you are **interested** in, a program that you will enjoy.
- Your grades will play a very large role in what programs you get accepted into. **Apply to a program to which you have the grades and prerequisites.**
- What type of learner I am? 2 or 3 year College program - Trade
- Remember that choosing a career is a journey for which this is one of the first steps.

Choosing a program and a college

THE QUEBEC SCHOOL SYSTEM



AEP: Certificate of professional studies • DEP: Diploma of vocational studies • ASP: Certificate of professional specialization

Note: The vocational education programs lead to involvement in specialized or semi-specialized trades.

Choosing a program and a college

- Attend the Open Houses and information sessions at different colleges – information on programs and services offered by the college (Accessibility Centre, First Year Centre, Sports).
- Participate in the Student for 1 day program
- Visit the college's websites:; www.champlainonline.com ; www.dawsoncollege.qc.ca ; www.cegep-heritage.qc.ca ; www.johnabbott.qc.ca ; www.marianopolis.edu ; www.vaniercollege.qc.ca ;
- <https://pygma.ca>; Database of all Quebec College programs.
- www.inforoutefpt.org Information on all Quebec Trade programs (DEP/DVS) and College Technical programs (3 year DEC).
- Guidance Counsellor/Danielle St-Jacques: dstjacques@swlauriersb.qc.ca

List of Information Sessions

- **Champlain College, St-Lambert** campus: Thursday, February 3rd, 2022 (6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.)
- **Heritage College: (Virtual)** Thursday, January 20, 2022 from 6:30 p.m.
- **John Abbott College: (Virtual)** Wednesday, February 2nd, 2022, Live chat sessions will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Guided tours will be hosted, if possible.
- **Marianopolis College:** Date and time to be announced

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- **Dawson:** February 7th, 8th and 9th 2022.

The events will be **mostly online** but will also offer an opportunity to prospective students to register for a **limited number of in-person student-led tours** of the Campus. There will also be opportunities to visit studios, workshops and labs of participating programs and profiles on February 7th and 8th; details to come

Explore programs and profiles of study on the Open House microsite – available now at <https://www.dawsoncollege.qc.ca/open-house/>

A webinar dedicated to prospective students and parents who are interested in the very popular Science Program will be held on February 9th :

- 7 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.
- 8 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.
- The link will be available on <https://www.dawsoncollege.qc.ca/open-house/>

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- **Dawson College: Cont'd**

Chat sessions: Ask questions to program representatives and academic advisors during the program and profile chat sessions on **Feb. 9 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.** – link will be live on program and profiles pages on Feb. 9.

Webinar about How to Apply on Feb. 9 from 6 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.; link will be available on Feb. 9 on <https://www.dawsoncollege.qc.ca/open-house/>

- **Vanier College: (Virtual)** Tuesday February 1st , 2022, Zoom webinar from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. All resources, details and updates will be posted to this website: <https://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/information-evening/>

- The dates of all these open houses will be posted on the school website in the section on information on post-secondary education.

College Admission Requirements

For admission to all CEGEP programs, every student must have the Quebec Secondary School Diploma (DÉS) or the equivalent. In addition, all students must complete the following courses, or the equivalent including:

- Secondary IV in Science, Math and History
- Secondary V in Language of Instruction and Second Language

In addition, some programs require **additional specific prerequisites** such as for example: Cultural Math V (CST), Chemistry, Environmental Science, Physics, Math : Science option sec. IV or V. Students must be currently enrolled or must have completed these courses in order to be eligible to a program.

Other requirements: Audition, Driver's license (Probationary or Learner's), interview, letter of intent, medical test, physical requirement (fitness test), portfolio. Please visit the college website to see if there are additional requirements in respect to your program of interest.

The 3 types of programs at college

1. **2-year pre-university programs:** Pre-university programs are four semesters or two years in length (except for Double DCSs which are 3 Years). A semester is 15 weeks. These programs provide graduates with a strong general education (theoretical) as well as specialized knowledge and enable them to pursue their studies in university.

Examples: Social Science (and majors); Science; Liberal Arts; Arts, Literature and Communications; Music etc.

The 3 types of programs at college (Cont'd)

- 2. 3-year career Programs** are six semesters or three years in length. Career Programs provide graduates with skills and fundamental knowledge to permit them to practice their profession upon graduation. They may also continue their studies in university. It is important to mention that university have their own guidelines in admitting students.

The colleges provide different 3-year DEC programs but there is some overlap (ex. Nursing is offered in all colleges). Other examples: Police Technology, Marketing, Computer Science, Animal Health Technology, 3-D Animation and CGI, Biomedical Lab Technology, Civil Engineering Technology, Music etc.

The 3 types of programs at college (Cont'd)

- 3. Pathways/ Exploration/Springboard programs** :There are **transitional** programs of 1 or 2 sessions. They are designed for students **missing prerequisites** to enter a program of interest, for students who need to **improve their overall academic record** or for students who wish to **explore** programs.
 - During these programs, students receive additional support to ease with their transition to CEGEP and maximize their chances of success. The course load is a combination of general education courses and, depending on the chosen profile, prerequisite and study-skills courses. It is important to note that all students admitted in a DEC must complete general education courses (4 ELA, 2 FSL, 3 Humanities, 3 Physical Education and 2 Complementary).
 - Students are required to complete a “Program Change” request during their second semester (or final semester) to the Career program or other program of their choosing for the following year or semester.

The 3 types of programs at college (cont'd)

3. Pathways/ Exploration/Springboard programs (Continued):

- **Vanier:** Passages, Prerequisites.
- **Dawson:** Explorations Science, Developmental Science
- **John Abbott College:** Pathways to Science, Pathways to a Career, Pathways to Social and Pathways to Police Technology.
- Students may also choose to complete pre-requisites or improve their overall academic record in Adult Education or Continuing Education.

General Application information

- All applications are done online.
- Students can begin to submit their application as of January 13th, 2022. The deadline to apply is **March 1st at 11:59 p.m. (SRAM, Dawson, Champlain, Marianopolis)**.
- The application **fees must be paid and all documents must be submitted** online by March 1st (copy of original birth certificate, letter of intent, letter to explain student's situation, IEP, etc.) for the college to consider the application. The fastest way to send documents is to upload them directly to the online file.
- **All applications must be complete by the March 1st deadline. Incomplete applications will not be considered.**
- All admissions are **CONDITIONAL**. A student's acceptance can be withdrawn if they do not meet the program prerequisites or they do not obtain their Secondary School Diploma.

General Application information (cont'd)

- Colleges will look at the secondary IV grades (term 1 and term 2 summary) and secondary V, term 1.
- Transcripts are sent automatically by SWLSB to SRAM, Dawson, Champlain-St-Lambert and Marianopolis. Students applying to another college should visit the website of the college for information or see me in Student Services.
- Applying to more than one College is highly recommended.
- Most students apply to SRAM (JAC or Vanier) as well as Dawson College and sometimes Champlain-St-Lambert.

Most common College Application systems

Most common systems students apply to at LRHS

1. SRAM (John Abbott, Heritage, Vanier):
<https://admission.sram.qc.ca>
2. Dawson College: www.apply.dawsoncollege.qc.ca
3. Champlain – St-Lambert campus: www.champlainonline.com
4. Marianopolis College (private College in Montreal):
<https://www.bemarianopolis.ca/>

Other College Application systems

- **SRASL** : Application system for Collège d'Alma, Cégep de Chicoutimi, Cégep de St-Félicien, Cégep de Jonquière etc.: <https://srasl.qc.ca/admission>
- **SRACQ** : Application system for Colleges/Cégeps in central and eastern Quebec and the northern coast (for example: Gaspésie, Québec, etc.: <https://sracq.qc.ca/admission>
- **Private colleges** (College InterDec, O'Sullivan College, TAV College, LaSalle College). Admission to these private colleges is often ongoing. Some of these colleges accept applications more than twice a year.

1. SRAM (sram.qc.ca)

- SRAM stands for Service Régional d'admission du Montréal métropolitain.
- SRAM provides centralized college admission to 36 Colleges/Cégeps in and around Montréal.
- They provide services to **John Abbott College**, **Vanier College**, **Heritage College**, Champlain-Lennoxville, MacDonald College (fmt program), ITHQ, Cégep de St-Jérôme etc.)

1. SRAM (sram.qc.ca) – Cont'd

- **Role of SRAM:** verify that applications are complete. They also provide ranking lists of applicants for admission according to criteria established by the College/Cégep.
- There are 2 admission periods per year:
 - One period for applications to the Fall semester (3 rounds); Deadline: March 1st
 - One period for the Winter semester (2 rounds); Deadline: November 1st.

1. SRAM (sram.qc.ca)- Cont'd

- SRAM proceeds by a round system.
 - A round is a portion of the admission period in which students can submit an application. There are 3 consecutive rounds for the Fall semester, therefore 3 opportunities to be accepted by a Cégep/College serviced by SRAM.
 - Students may only choose a single program in a single SRAM-affiliated Cégep/College per round.
- Only students that have been refused in the 1st and 2nd round can proceed to round 2 (or 3) and submit a new choice (same program to another SRAM-affiliated Cégep/College or another program at the same Cégep/College as the first choice or another SRAM –affiliated Cégep/College).
- A mock application may be tried before sending the “real” application. This is true for all application systems : SRAM, Dawson, Champlain – St-Lambert, Marianopolis, vocational training program (trades).
- Admissions are not granted on a first-come first-serve basis. All applications completed before the deadline of a round are processed together as part of that round.

1. SRAM (sram.qc.ca) - Cont'd

Documents needed to make an application:

- Permanent code (STJD12345678). You can find the permanent code on the report card as well as on the Achievement Record.
- Social security number is optional (for income tax purposes).
- Accepted payment methods:
 - Visa or MasterCard, paid online through the **applicant's file**.
 - Money order or bank draft sent by mail or dropped directly in SRAM's office's mailbox. - Checks and cash are not accepted.
- The fee is \$30, non refundable.
- Apply at <https://admission.sram.qc.ca> or <https://sram.qc.ca/home>

1. SRAM (sram.qc.ca)-Cont'd

Important to remember

- Students must have the prerequisites for the program as well as the overall average which is established by the Cégep/College. The overall average is composed of the secondary IV and V marks.
 - For example: A student that wishes to study in the Science program but did not take the Chemistry in secondary V will **NOT** be accepted in the Science program as he/she is missing one of the prerequisites. The student may be eligible for the Pathways program and must choose Pathways when applying to the Cégep/College.
- N.B. for Pathways: NEVER, when asked what is the intended program choose: I don't know
- A list of all available programs is available on the SRAM website following the different rounds.

SRAM – Deadlines and important Dates

- January 13, 2022 Applications for admissions are open on admission.sram.qc.ca
- March 1, 2022, 11:59pm Deadline for applications to Round 1
- March 24, 2022 Places available in Round 2 are listed on admission.sram and on SRAM's website
- April 2, 2022 Round 1 admission answers available on admission.sram.qc.ca
- April 21, 2022, 11:59pm Deadline for applications to Round 2
- May 3, 2022 Places available in Round 3 are listed on admission.sram.qc.ca and on SRAM's website
- May 11, 2022 Round 2 admission answers available on admission.sram.qc.ca
- May 26, 2022, 11:59pm Deadline for applications to Round 3
- June 14, 2022 Round 3 admission answers available on admission.sram.qc.ca

SRAM : Answers

- SRAM posts all answers (both admissions and refusals) on your online file according a set timetable.
- Notices of admission are sent by mail or email, by the Cégeps/College (mailing dates are variable).
- Refusal notices are added to the applicants' online files on the same day that all answers are posted online.
- If you are **accepted**: You need to confirm that you accept to pursue your studies at the Cégep/College. If you do not confirm by the date indicated on the letter, the Cégep/College may offer your spot to another student.
- When, refused, you may contact the college for advise. The contact information will be listed on the refusal letter.

SRAM : Answers – Cont'd

Example of refusals:

Refusal – Inadequate schooling: You do not meet the Ministère's general admission requirements.

Refusal- Insufficient places : You were not admitted because the number of eligible applicants exceeds the number of available places in this program.

Refusal - Inadequate school grades for this college : Although you meet the Ministère's general admission requirements, your grades are too low to be admitted to this particular college, regardless of the program.

Refusal - Insufficient prerequisites : You do not have the specific prerequisite(s) for the program selected (collegial or secondary prerequisites), or your grades for these prerequisites are too low.

Refusal - Program not available : Your file has been sent to the college, but has not been studied because the program you chose was not open to applicants for this round, on this semester.

SRAM : IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please remember that you may go back on the website and ...

- Pay for the application
- Verify if all documents have been received.
- Change your choice (before the deadline)
- Upload documents
- Change personal information
- Verify if you have been accepted

2. DAWSON COLLEGE

Documents needed to make an application:

- Permanent code (STJD12345678). You can find the permanent code on the report card as well as on the Achievement Record.
- Birth certificate indicating full names of parents(Quebec and other provinces)- Mandatory for all students
- Payment of \$30 non-refundable – which can be paid by **Visa** or **Mastercard** online. You may also pay by **certified cheque** or **money order** of \$30.00 (Canadian) made payable to Dawson College. **Debit card:** in person at Dawson College; – please wait 24 hours after submitting the application to allow for processing time before coming to the Registrar Counter (2D.6). Payment must be received before March 1, 2022.

2. DAWSON COLLEGE – Cont'd

Other documents that may be required (according to the student's personal situation or program requirements):

- Letter of intent (requirement for some programs)
- Letter to explain the student's situation (lower marks etc.) (OPTIONAL)
- IEP
- Portfolio (requirement for some programs) Please see program website for additional information.
- Please note that all documents must be uploaded electronically **NO PAPER COPIES ARE ACCEPTED.**

2. DAWSON COLLEGE – Cont'd

Important to remember

- All **documents and payment must be received** by Dawson before the March 1st deadline. If not received, the application will not be processed.
- Students must have the **prerequisites** for the program as well as **the overall average** which is established by the College. The overall average is composed of most of the secondary IV and V marks. (Calculating the admission Average and Fall 2020 cut-off averages documents on Google Classroom or see Danielle in Student Services)

For example: A student that wishes to study in the Science program but did not take the Chemistry in secondary V will **NOT** be accepted in the Science program as he/she is missing one of the prerequisites. The student may be eligible for the Exploration program.
- There is an agreement between SWLSB and Dawson for the transmission of results. Therefore, you do not need to send the report cards or Achievement record.

2. DAWSON COLLEGE – Cont'd

For more help, you may find on the Application Centre website:

- Detailed Application instructions.
- Table of programs offered and program requirements
- How to apply (step by step PowerPoint presentation on how to apply to Dawson).

2. DAWSON COLLEGE – Cont'd

- Students interested in attending Dawson have the possibility to apply to TWO (2) programs before the March 1st deadline.
- The second choice is optional but recommended.
- Second choices are reviewed once the applications for the first choice as been processed (early April) and the student has been refused in their first choice.
- Many programs will be closed by early April. The second choice must be carefully considered. You may review the document “**most competitive programs**” in the Google classroom.

2. DAWSON COLLEGE – Strategies

Strategies for a second choice

- For Fall 2022 admissions, only those programs that have had admission offered for applicants second-choice program in the past 5 years will be available. It can be expected that space will remain limited for the offer of admission to a second choice.
- **Not recommended:**
 - 2nd Choice has higher requirements : Social and Commerce
 - Two 3-year art programs with the same requirements : Graphic Design and Illustration. It takes too long to evaluate both portfolios and conduct entrance tests.
- These programs should ONLY be 1st choice: Nursing, Radiation Oncology and Diagnostic Imaging.

2- DAWSON COLLEGE – Strategies (Cont'd)

The programs that are available for a second-choice program are:

- **Creative & Applied Arts Sector:**

1. Journey's: A First Peoples' College Transition program
2. Arts and Culture
3. Literature
4. Languages
5. Cinema and Communications
6. Studio Arts
7. Professional Photography
8. Industrial Design

2- DAWSON COLLEGE – Strategies (Cont'd)

The programs that are available for a second-choice program are:

- **Social Science and Business Technologies Sector:**

1. General Social Science studies
2. Environmental studies
3. North-South studies
4. Travel & Tourism studies
5. Community Recreation and Leadership Training
6. Liberal Arts

- **Science, Medical Studies and Engineering Sector:**

1. Civil Engineering Technology
2. Laboratory Technology – Analytical Chemistry

2. DAWSON COLLEGE – Application

APPLICATION:

Before you start:

- Go to: <https://apply.dawsoncollege.qc.ca/>
- For a new user: Create a Network Account
- Enter your email (one used on a regular basis) and select Submit. You will receive an email with additional instructions to complete your Network Account creation.
- Once the Network Account has been created, go back to the Dawson's Application Centre to complete the application. You will need to log in.
- You may go back on the application website to upload documents, pay for the application, see the status of your application.

2. DAWSON COLLEGE – Cont'd

IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER: you can always log back into the system using your user name (email address) and your password until the deadline to:

- Make your application fee payment (before March 1st)
- Upload required documents (before March 1st)
- Download a copy of your application

3. CHAMPLAIN ST-LAMBERT

- Go to: www.champlainonline.com
- Non-refundable application fee of \$30.00 which can be paid online using either Visa, Mastercard, Visa Debit and Mastercard Debit.
- You must send a copy of your birth certificate: mandatory for all students by email to: admissions@crcmail.net
- Marks are transmitted electronically by SWLSB.
- The procedure to apply to Champlain St-Lambert is similar to Dawson's application. The major difference is that students can only apply to 1 program. There is no second choice as Champlain has they noticed that students accepted in their second choice would choose to go to another College.

4. MARIANOPOLIS COLLEGE

- Go to : <https://www.bemarianopolis.ca/>
- Non-refundable application fee of \$50.
- You must upload a copy of your birth certificate
- Marks are transmitted electronically by SWLSB.
- The procedure to apply to Marianopolis is similar to Dawson's application.

THE COLLEGE'S ANSWER

- Students will start getting answers about 4 to 5 weeks after the March 1st deadline. Since all communication from the college will be with the student, it is important for them to verify their email for the acceptance letter. The college will also send information about fee payment, Orientation day, ELA placement exam, creating their schedule.
- All admissions are conditional to the following conditions:
 1. Student obtain their DES (High School Diploma)
 2. Student obtain the pre-requisite(s) required for the program they applied to, if any.
 3. They maintain their Term 1 grades for the remainder of the year.
- Students must confirm their acceptance by the date specified in the acceptance letter OR the acceptance will be **cancelled**. They must confirm even if they are waiting for answers from another college.
- Students accepted at more than one college will need to make a decision as to which college they wish to attend and notify all colleges. If a student is confirmed at 2 colleges, both applications may be revoked.

Different college services

- **Access Centre / Accessibility:**

- The Access Centres are responsible for providing specialized support services for students with learning, physical, medical, and mental health disabilities by providing accommodations to students who have limitations and/or incapacities resulting from a specific diagnosis and/or medical condition. The **goal** is to empower students who require accommodations to become autonomous and self-regulated learners for their future endeavors by striving to give them an equal opportunity to learn and succeed.
- Students should make appointment as soon possible, before June 1st for JAC. **Documents needed:** an IEP is not sufficient. Documentation detailing the specific diagnosis (including symptoms) and/or medical condition from a qualified professional. The supporting documentation need to outline the specific diagnosis and/or medical condition, the limitations and/or incapacities resulting from the specific diagnosis and/or medical condition and whether the specific diagnosis and/or medical condition is temporary or permanent.

- **Financial Assistance.**

- **Others College Services :** Academic Success Centre, First Year Students Office, First-Year College Experience, Language Resource Centre, Counselling and Career Exploration, Health and Wellness Centre, Centre d'aide en français, Writing Centre etc.

- **Other Services:** Government Loans and Bursaries (afe.gouv.qc.ca). Applications start May 1st.

What to do in case of refusal

- Don't give up and continue to work!
- Contact the college's Admission department if you have questions.
- Consider alternative avenues such as: Adult Education, Continuing Education, Private Colleges such as TAV that accept late applications.
- Adult education : Students may obtain missing prerequisites, complete their DES or improve their marks through Adult Education. Registration is usually in May/June for the following fall session. Documents required: Birth certificate, MEES transcript or latest report card, medical card or driver's license as proof of residency. They can be reached at the following telephone number: 450-562-3721.

3. VOCATIONAL TRAINING

- The following website is used to apply to most Trade programs in the province Quebec: <https://www.admissionfp.com/>
- ConstrucPlus: Registration will be possible as of February 1, 2022. You must register in the group of your choice. If the group is full, you will be able to register in the waiting list of the desired program. DETAILS TO COME
- To apply to a program, you will need:
 1. Permanent code
 2. Name of the program as well as the name of the school where if program is offered.
- There is a number of applications allowed by region; please see regional specifics on the website.
- Students need to send the required documents (report card, birth certificate, proof of residence etc.) by mail.
- Mock application (in French): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GsY6zL9MGjw>

References

- **Colleges:**

- www.dawsoncollege.qc.ca
- www.johnabbott.qc.ca
- www.vaniercollege.qc.ca
- www.marianopolis.qc.ca
- www.champlainonline.com

- www.sram.qc.ca

- www.pygma.ca

- www.inforoutefpt.org

- www.swlsb.ca – Support – In-School professionals - Guidance Counsellors (Youtube videos)

- www.afe.gouv.qc.ca

Questions?

Thank you

