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Why do a SHSM?	Pursuing a SHSM helps students to:				
SPECIALIST HIGH SKILLS MAJOR Ontario.ca/SHSM	<ol> <li>Customize their secondary school education to suit their interests and talents.</li> <li>Develop specialized knowledge and skills.</li> <li>Earn credits that postsecondary educational institutions and the sector recognize.</li> <li>Gain sector-recognized certification and career-relevant training.</li> <li>Develop essential skills and work habits documented through the Ontario Skills Passport.</li> <li>Identify, explore and refine career goals and make informed decisions about their future.</li> <li>Remain flexible, with the option to shift between pathways, should their goals and plans change.</li> </ol>				
Why do the Justice SHSM?	A Specialist High Skills Major allows you to focus on a career area that interests you while you earn your high school diploma. No matter what education you plan to pursue after high school—apprenticeship, college, university or workplace training—a justice, community safety, and emergency services major can help you focus on a future career.  Events such as the 1998 ice storm, "Y2K", September 11, 2001 (9/11), the SARS (severe acute respiratory syndrome) outbreak, and the August 2003 blackout have raised public and government recognition of this sector's vital role in ensuring the safety of Ontarians. Ontario now has some of the most rigorous community safety legislation in North America, and since 9/11, governments, NGOs, and private enterprise have all greatly enhanced their efforts to ensure the public's safety and security.				
Focused Sectors  JOBS	A profile of the Justice, Community Safety and Emergency Sector include the following: police officer, fire fighter, paramedic, nursing, paralegal, soldier, emergency manager, correctional officer, conservation officer, border services officer, 911 dispatcher, lawyer, psychologist, social worker, youth worker and forensic psychologist.				
What you receive	<ol> <li>Sector-recognized certifications and/or training courses/programs Ex – CPR training, ambulatory care, conflict resolution training</li> <li>Experiential learning and career exploration activities Ex – trips to the court house, police station, guest speakers, conferences, etc.</li> <li>Reach ahead experiences Ex – Finding the right post-secondary education for you</li> <li>Essential Skills and work habits and the Ontario Skills Passport (OSP) – Red Seal</li> </ol>				
Location	Iona Catholic Secondary School is the only school in the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board that offers this High Skills Specialist Major.				



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## **SHSM Application Checklist**

<b>√</b>	I have checked my credit counselling summary and I will meet all OSSD requirements to receive my diploma by the end of the grade 12	<b>√</b>	I have consulted with subject teachers and SHSM teacher leads where necessary				
<b>✓</b>	I will NOT receive my SHSM Red Seal if I do not meet the SHSM requirements	<b>√</b>	I understand that I must complete at least 2 credits of Co-op – in Grade 11 or the summer of your grade 11/12 year				
$\checkmark$	I understand that it is MANDATORY to complete all 3 (three) certifications	<b>✓</b>	SHSM application completed with all signatures				
<b>✓</b>	When the application is completed, review the statements below and check off the boxes for each statement  Hand in this completed form to the Guidance Department as soon as possible						

#### **Course Bundle**

A bundle of eight Grade 11 and Grade 12 credits

These credits make up the bundle:

Four justice, community safety, and emergency services major credits that provide sector-specific knowledge and skills. The four courses must include at least one Grade 11 and one Grade 12 credit, and may include one cooperative education credit related to the sector. (This cooperative education credit would be additional to the two that are required in the bundle; see below) Course selection depends on your related sector of interest (See Guidance for details).

- 1. Law and Administrative
- 2. First Responder

Two other required credits from the Ontario curriculum, in each of which some expectations must be met through a contextualized learning activity (CLA) for the justice, community safety, and emergency services sector. The two credits include:

one in English and one in mathematics

Two cooperative education credits that provide authentic learning experiences in a workplace setting, enabling students to refine, extend, apply, and practise sector-specific knowledge and skills.



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# **SHSM Registration Form**



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STUDENT INFORMATION								
First Name:		Last Name:						
PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION								
First Name Last Name		e: Work/Ce		ell:				
SPECIALIZATION ROUTE:  Please sign the form below indicating your knowledge of this opportunity and that your son/daughter will be participating in the Justice, Community Safety, and Emergency Services Major Program								
Sector Please Circle One	Law (Ex. Policing, Lawyer, Paralegal)	Health (Ex. Paramedic, Nursing)		Emergency Services (Ex. Psychology, Social Work)				
Post-Secondary Destination Please Circle One	Workforce	College		University				
Student Sig Parent/Gua								