# Cooperative Education





#### What is Co-op?

 Structured method of combining classroom-based **education** with practical work experience for students in Grade 11 and 12.





## Co-op at Maxwell

- Co-op Options:
  - 1 credit here @ Maxwell as a peer helper
  - 2 credits morning or afternoon placements
  - •4 credits all day for Grade 12 students
- Earn up to 14 credits for your Diploma
  can count for 2 compulsory credits
  can count for 12 optional credits



## Why choose Co-op?

- Develop employability skills
- Start your apprenticeship
- Test drive a career
- Get a part-time job
- Build your resume



## Where can I do co-op?

- Education
- Information Communication Technology
- Skilled Trades (cook/chef, electrician, carpentry, hairstyling)
- Retail
- ➤ Health care
- Aesthetics/Salons
- Animal Care
- Transportation
- Landscaping
- Non-profit organizations
- ➢ Fitness
- Construction



#### How to find a placement



• Use a current employer (work with coop teachers)



- Bring your own placement
  - Networking



• Cold calling – teamwork!





# How do I apply for co-op?

- Choose co-op when you do your course selection's in Feb.
   DCO-308 One Credit
   DCO-309 Two Credit
  - CWE-409 Four Credit
- 2. Pick up an application at option selection.
- 3. Make sure you hand in the completed application before the deadline!



#### Specialized Opportunities

#### Centralized Placements

- Regional competition for jobs and stringent interview process
- Attendance, marks and experience all considered
- Placements include: Lakeridge Health Oshawa, Ontario Shores, DRPS

#### Specialized High Skills Major (SHSM)

- Focus your learning on a specific sector
- Health & Wellness, ICT and Construction @ Maxwell

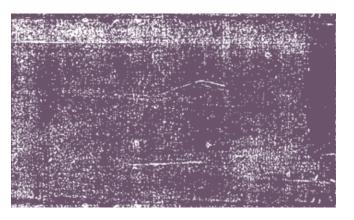


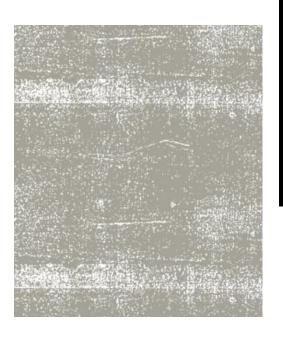


#### Specialized Opportunities cont'd

- OYAP (Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program)
  - 4 credit program, 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of Grade 12
  - Separate application process....listen for announcements
  - Visit OYAP.com











#### **Co-op students say....**



"I learned so much about my career choice and earned credits for my Diploma at the same time!"

"I got a job offer at the end of my placement."



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