

New WoodLINKS Curriculum!

The WMC has been up-dating the original WoodLINKS 2000 curriculum and has added sub-sector modules so that schools can tailor their programs to match their local industry partners. This new WoodLINKS curriculum will be released early in the New Year (2008) for use by registered WoodLINKS schools and training providers!

The core WoodLINKS curriculum has been refined into “work readiness” and “general manufacturing” competencies and new learning resources added. New curriculum modules have been developed for cabinets & millwork; manufactured housing; furniture; windows & doors; fine wood working; remanufactured wood products; panelboard; and, entrepreneurship.



The enhancements to the curriculum were guided by industry advisory committees from each of the sub-sectors. The revised curriculum was then reviewed by educators experienced working with WoodLINKS. The WMC would like to thank all of the industry partners and educators who helped to up-date the WoodLINKS program.

The new WoodLINKS curriculum will be made available from the WoodLINKS web site to enhance access and allow for on-going improvements based on suggestions from industry and education partners. TeacherLINK, the WoodLINKS teacher discussion forum, is starting to see renewed traffic and we would invite all existing or interested teachers to try it out <http://www.woodlinks.com/m01fr.html> The WMC is also working with provincial Ministries of Education to integrate WoodLINKS with dual credit programs that will allow students to obtain the first year of an apprenticeship in areas such joinery in along with their WoodLINKS certification.

If you are an educator or industry partner who is interested in getting a WoodLINKS program going in your community, we would love to work with you. Contact Deb Purdy, WoodLINKS Manager, at deb@wmc-cfb.ca