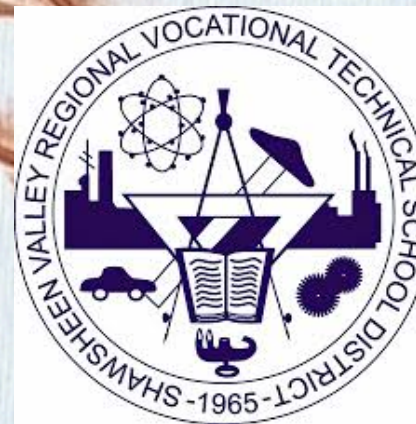


Class of 2028 Shawshheen Valley Technical High School

Date: March 27, 2025

Prepared by: Mr. Smith & Ms. LeBlanc

Shop Selection



**Congratulations you
are a RAM!**

**Greek culture a
Ram is a symbol of
Strength &
Courage!**



**Transferrable
Skills**

**Communication
Problem-solving
Teamwork
Adaptability
Leadership
Technical**

**Remember
your 'WHY'**

Business & Marketing

Visual Arts, Film & Service



Information Technology Automation: Fastest Growing

ISSN

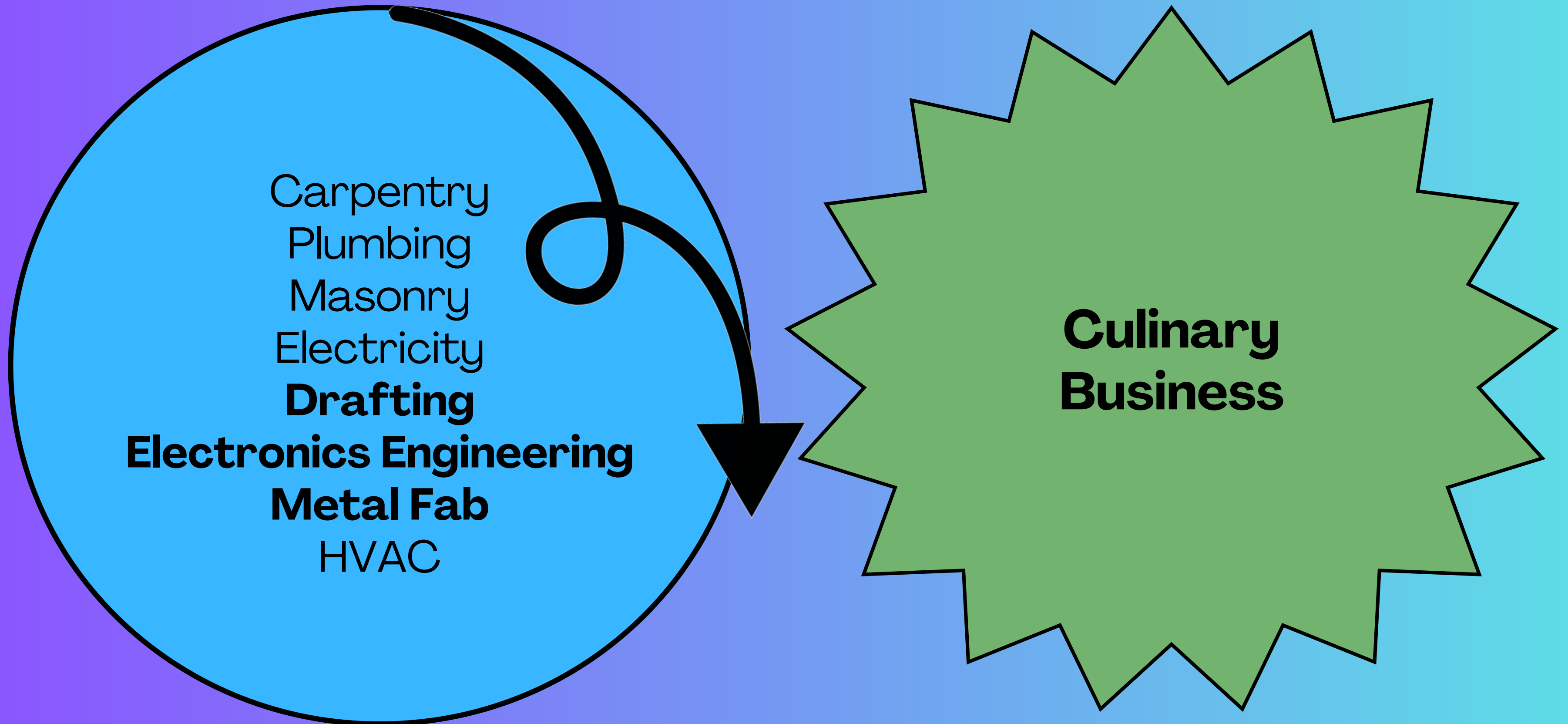
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Computer Hardware &
Software Support
Services
Programming &
Software Support
Services
Network Connections
Computer Animation

Transportation & Product Development

Auto Collision Repair
Automotive Technology
Electronics & Engineering
Metal Fabrication
HVAC
Drafting

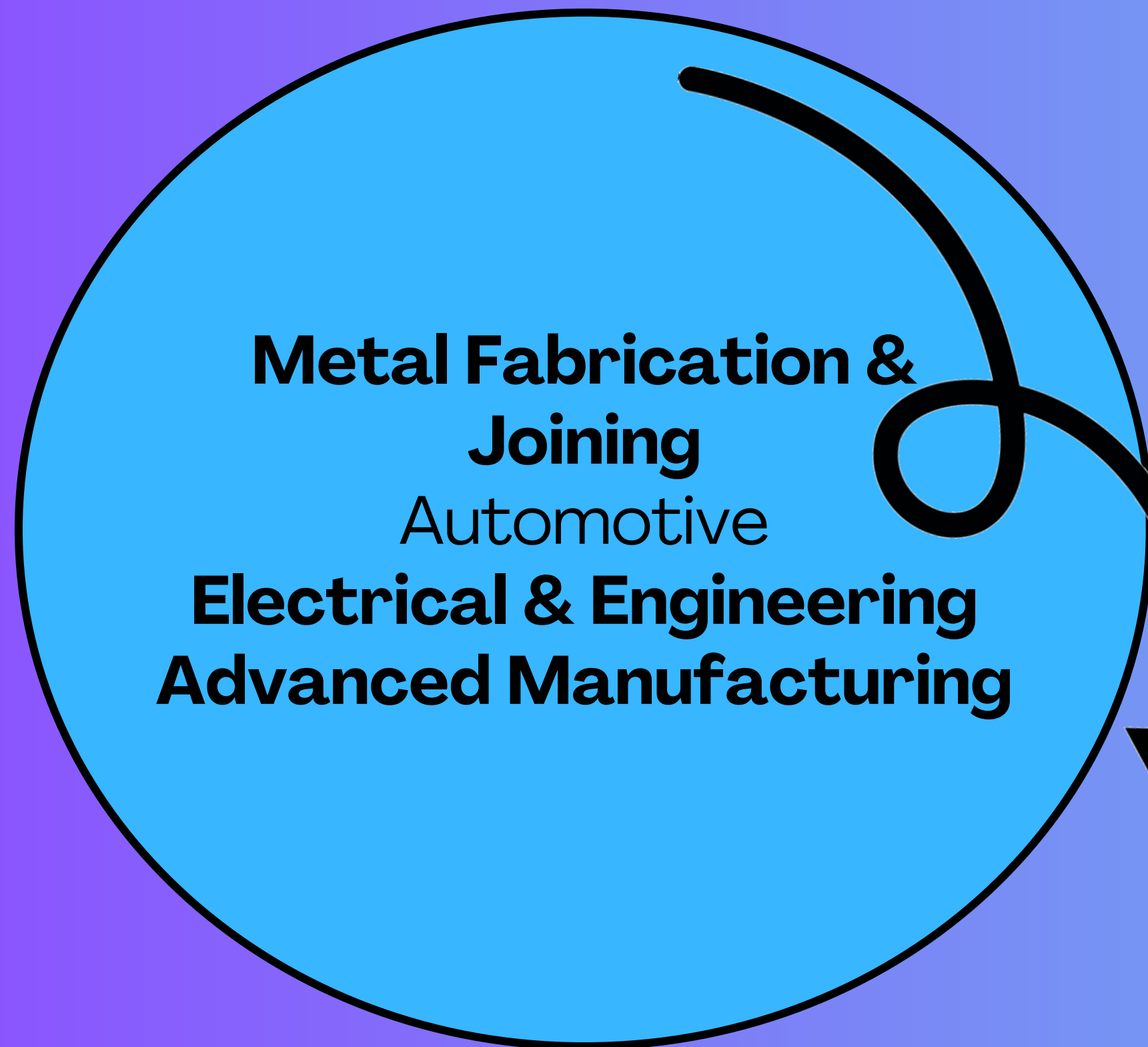
Construction & Pre-Construction

Culinary Arts/ Hospitality Management



Manufacturing

Health & Human Services



How will you grow your tree?

Design Cars
for BMW

BMW
Leadership

Lincoln Technical
Institute Auto Body
BMW

Shawsheen Valley: Metal
Fabrication



WPI –
Automotive
Engineering

Work for the
prestigious BMW
Dealership

How will you grow your tree?

Private Practice
Nurse Manager

UMass Amherst:
Nursing Major

Shawsheen
Valley: Health



MCPHS Nurse
Practitioner
Work for
Brigham &
Women's
Hospital Boston

First Choice: ISSN

How will you grow your tree?

U CA Berkeley
Adjunct Professor:
Computer
Animation for Film

Hired by Pixar:
Emeryville, CA
Animation
Director

UMass Lowell:
Major Computer
programming Minor:
Animation: Disney
FL

Shawsheen Valley:
Graphic Design



Move from
FI to CA

Work for Disney:
Computer
Animation for Film

How will you grow your tree?

Leader of
Family
Electrical
Business

Joined
Electrical Union
after
graduation

Shawsheen
Valley:
Electronics/
Engineering



Business Leadership
Certification:
Harvard Extension

Worked for
Family Electrical
Business

Entrepreneurs are simply those who understand that there is little difference between obstacle and opportunity and are able to turn both to their advantage." — Victor Kiam



Shop Selection Timeline

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Ends



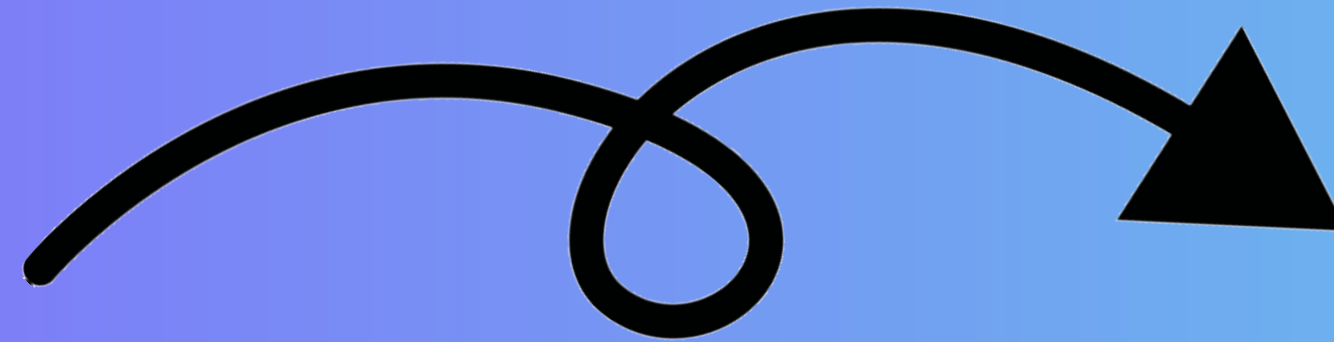
Thursday
March 27th
6 pm

Cycle 14
Shop Grades
Friday
March 28
3 pm

Sunday
March 30th
11:59 pm

Shop Placement Timeline

Notified



Start

**Friday
April 4th
by 4:30**

**Monday
April 7th**

Shop Placement



- Demand for the shop
 - How many students are selecting a certain shop
- Space availability
 - Capacity based on safety and size of shop
- Grades earned in top 3 shops
 - Highest grades will be placed first
- Priority - 1st, 2nd, 3rd choice

Reasons To Choose Your Shops



Why

- Interests
- Strengths
- Opportunity
- Meaningful



Why Not

- Friends
- Grades
- Teachers

Three Choices



First Choice: Go For It!

Highest Interest.

Consider the skills you want to develop for your career—this shop provides a strong base in your interest area. Reach.

Second Choice: The Alternative

High Interest.

The skills you gain here support your long-term goals, making this shop a valuable step toward your career. Target.

Third Choice: The Flexible Option

A Solid Backup.

The skills you learn here apply to many careers, keeping you on track toward your goals. Safety.

How Will Waitlists Work



You are **automatically** waitlisted for any higher-ranked choices you didn't get into.

- If placed in your 2nd choice, you are waitlisted for 1st choice.
- If placed in their 3rd choice, you are waitlisted for your 1st and 2nd choices.
- If not placed in any of your top three choices, you are waitlisted for all three.
- To be on a waitlist, it has to be one of your shop selection.

Other Common Questions

- **How do tiebreakers work?**

We calculate the average of all exploratory grades; the student with the highest average secures the placement



- **What happens if I missed an explore shop because of a medical reason?**

Medical grades do not count towards the cumulative average in a tie-breaker and won't affect permanent placement.

Can I Transfer Shops



We will strongly encourage all students to stay in their assigned shop for their freshman year to fully experience it.

Transfer deadline: Last day of Term 1, Sophomore year. This is dependent on availability.

School guidance counselors will notify you if a space opens as waitlists are regularly checked.

If you have an extenuating circumstance you can request a meeting.

What if



I don't get into my top 3 shop choices?

- We will meet with you and talk about best fits and opportunities.
- You will get your pick of shops with openings whether or not you took the shop for exploratory.
- We will be working with you and your family to find the best possible outcome.



- There are clusters of shops that teach skills related to your interests and career goals.
- Regardless of which shop you are placed in, the transferable skills you gain will help you progress toward your future career.
- You can and many of you will continue your education after high school to further your career opportunities.

IMPORTANT!

This is not your forever decision.
This is your for now decision.



**DID YOU
KNOW?**

Research suggests the average person will have 16-17 jobs across 5-7 careers during their working life.

Shop Selection Instructions

Log into Aspen



Log into Aspen using your student account:

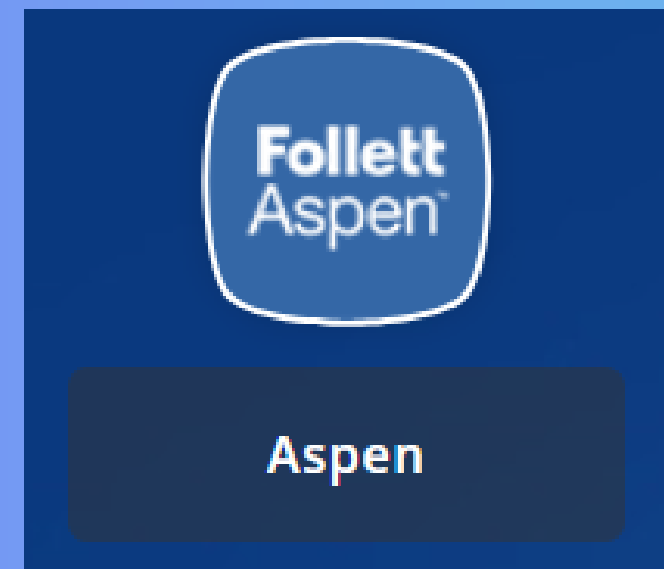


Sign in to ClassLink

Username
masmith@shawtech.org

Password
••••••••

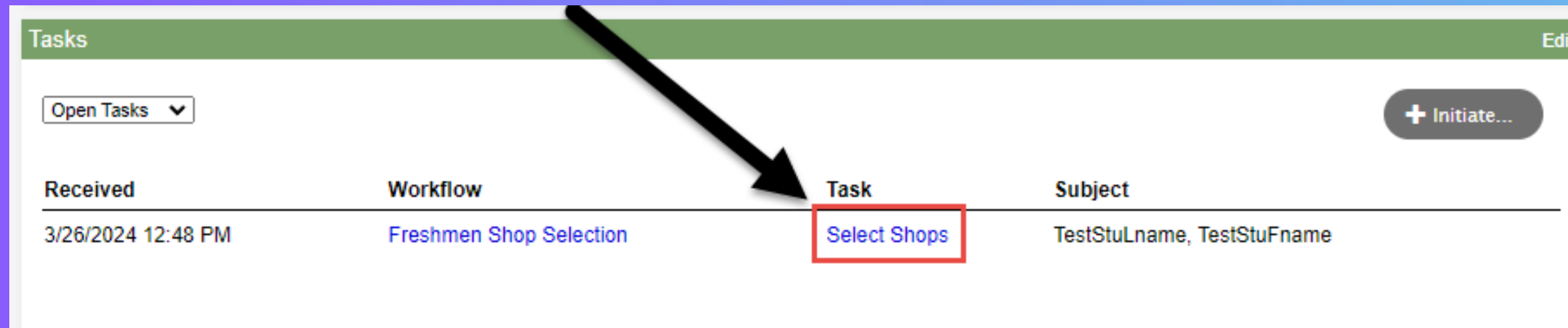
Sign In



<https://ma-shawsheentech.myfollett.com/aspen/logon.do>

Step 1: Open Tasks

On the initial Pages Home screen, you will see an area named “Tasks”



Tasks Edit			
<div>Open Tasks ▾ + Initiate...</div>			
Received	Workflow	Task	Subject
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On the Pages screen under the Tasks pane, Click the blue text link “Select Shops”

Step 2: Read and Acknowledge

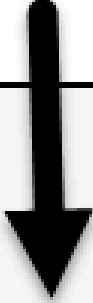


- Must have already explored these choices during the year.
- Duplicates are not accepted.
- Acknowledge parent discussion.

Freshmen Shop Selection: Select Shops **Step 1 of 2**

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Related Forms: Freshmen Selection - Instructions ▼

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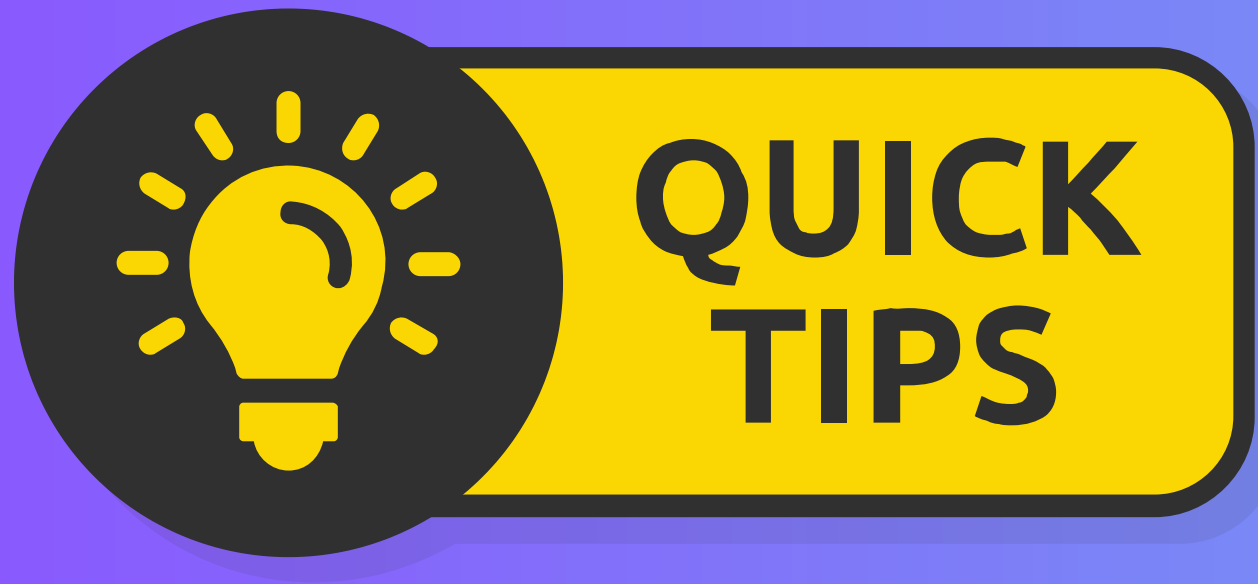
Next →

Finish

Cancel

Step 3: Select Your Top 3 Shops

- 1st Choice is your highest priority.



Take your time. After you click finish, there will be no way to edit your choices.


Freshmen Shop Selection: Complete Step 2 of 2


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Make your Shop selection

1st Choice *	<input type="text"/>
2nd Choice *	<input type="text"/>
3rd Choice *	<input type="text"/>



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Still Have Questions

Reach out to your school counselor:

Ms. LeBlanc
nleblanc@shawtech.org

Mr. Smith
masmith@shawtech.org



Meet The Team

Mr. Carlson - Director of Guidance

Ms. Campbell- Guidance Department Head

- Mr. Harrison -Advanced Manufacturing, Auto Collision, Automotive, Dental, Medical, Metal Fab
- Ms. McFadden-Carpentry, Electrical, HVAC, Plumbing
- Ms. Henry-Business, Drafting, Graphics, Health, Masonry
- Ms. Samaha-Cosmo, Culinary, DVC, Electronics, ISSN

