

2026 Technical Vocational
High School

COMMUNITY REPORT



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OUR PURPOSE

Grounded in the Winnipeg School Division's Strategic Plan, Tec-Voc is committed to fostering a learning environment where every student belongs, thrives, and is included. We work to ensure equitable access to opportunities, support the growth of each learner's potential, and nurture the knowledge, skills, and ways of being required for a just, sustainable, and democratic society.

OUR VISION

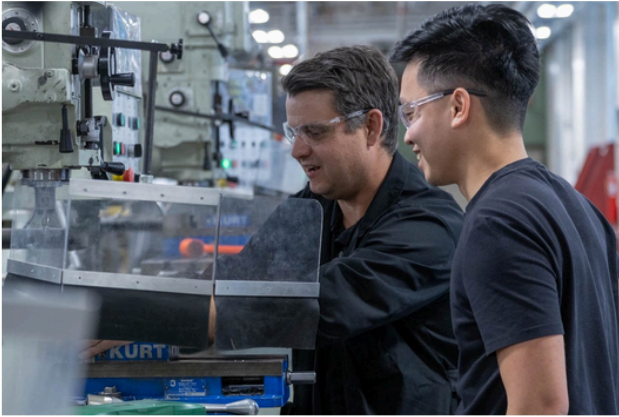
At Tec-Voc, we strive to bring Joy, Love, and Rigour to all aspects of teaching and learning. We aim to create spaces where students are engaged, inspired, and confident in who they are and what they can achieve. This vision guides our daily practice and shapes the relationships, programs, and opportunities we build for our community.

ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Since opening in 1951, Tec-Voc has been a vibrant centre of technical-vocational excellence, creativity, and community. Our school continues to offer one of the most diverse arrays of vocational programming in Canada, with more than 19 industry-standard programs ranging from IT, Business, Mechatronics, Design Drafting, and Electrical to heavy industrial vocations such as Aerospace, Welding, Machining, Power Mechanics, Carpentry, to light vocations such as Culinary Arts, Baking, Photography, and Graphic Arts Design. These programs operate alongside strong academic pathways, performing arts, and athletics, creating a learning environment where students can explore their interests, develop their skills, and prepare for both post-secondary education and future careers.

As we approach Tec-Voc's 75th Anniversary, September 24-26, 2026, we honour the generations of students, staff, and families who have shaped our school's legacy. Alumni are invited to reconnect and celebrate with us; event details can be found at www.tecvoc.ca/75th.

HIGHLIGHTS



We are thrilled to share that Mr. Tapley, our outstanding Aerospace instructor, has been awarded the Manitoba All Stars Award of Excellence for Education/Training for his incredible work with the Aerospace Manufacturing & Maintenance Orientation Program (AMMOP) at Tec-Voc High School.

This prestigious recognition celebrates his unwavering dedication, innovation, and leadership in aerospace education. His passion for the field and commitment to student success continue to elevate our program and inspire future generations of skilled professionals.

Tec-Voc students truly excelled, demonstrating remarkable talent, passion, and dedication across various Vocational and Trades disciplines. We take great pride in the 24 students who participated, and we are delighted to announce that 8 of them received medals.

Our exceptional medalists:

- Beth Penfold — Bronze, Baking
- Amber Lobo — Bronze, Cooking
- Cristel Gasga — Gold, Graphic Design
- Rhiana Valencia — Silver, Graphic Design
- Michael Mashinter — Silver, Photography
- Dzuy Dao — Gold, Photography
- Anton — Bronze, Precision Machining
- Princess David & Blessed Abu — Gold, Video Production (Team)



Tec-Voc Valorant team had an incredible run at the MSEA Esports Finals!

Nearly undefeated and claiming second place provincially after a close finals matchup vs DMCI.

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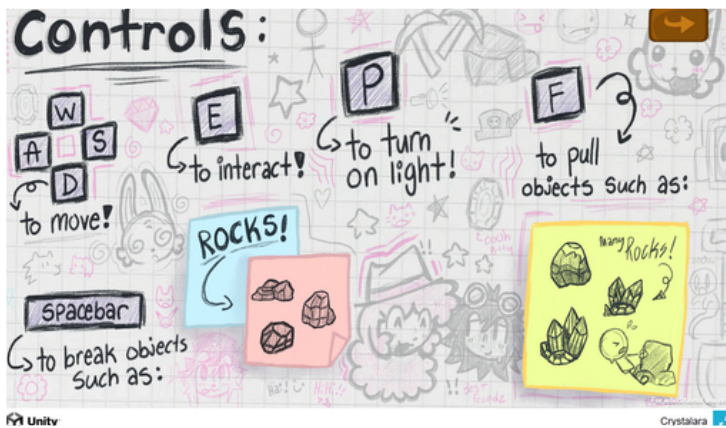
Tec-Voc High School has been recognized as a Fairtrade School of Canada award recipient. Fairtrade Canada hosted its national conference at the University of Winnipeg, with an awards gala held at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights. Twelve of our students attended alongside Vice-Principal Tracy Darbyshire, Chef Livia Gloux-Fisette, and our community partners to celebrate this incredible achievement.

A special congratulations to Tec-Voc alumni Wil Paille, who proudly accepted the award with us. This recognition reflects the hard work and dedication of our students, staff, and community in supporting fairness, sustainability, and global awareness.



Congratulations to Team Tec-Voc on earning second place at this year's CCF Junior Stone Soup Competition! We are incredibly proud of this talented group, as well as all the student teams and instructors who came out to support the Child Nutrition Council of Manitoba. Their passion, teamwork, and dedication truly shine.

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For the third year in a row, we partnered with the Grade 3 class at Sargent Park School to create a game together. This year's theme explores rocks and crystals through a fun puzzle adventure. The students did an excellent job, and while some puzzles may be challenging, we hope you enjoy the experience.

You can check out their collaborated games on the link below:

<https://tecvocidm.ca/SargentPark/>



Grade 9 students took part in a medicine-picking field trip, where they were guided by traditional knowledge and a deep respect for the land.

Tec-Voc Pastry Arts students Emersyn Laroque and Lara Bernardo participated in the Saskatchewan Roughriders' Grey Cup victory celebration by contributing to the production and presentation of desserts created in partnership with other local bakeries.



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Tec-Voc competed at the annual Scholastic Esports Expo across 4 Esports, and took home some notable awards:

Charlie Borillo and Israel Z Torres wins 4th place in Smash Bros Duos. Sean De Ocampo, Kyle Esmatha, Mark Advincula, Vincente Carino, Deejay Bagnon were 3rd place in Valorant.

Students Alex Duff, Kaiden Angeles, Daley Patzer, Jonah Cacal, Ethan Alexander-Lee and Jovan Diaz took the Championship in Marvel Rivals .

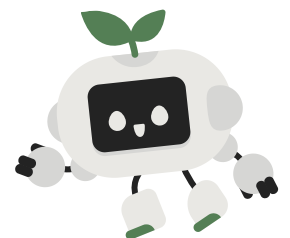
Tec-Voc students Lyrik Isfjord and Makaela Long-Gregory represented Team Manitoba at the Canadian Tenpin Federation Nationals in Calgary, achieving outstanding results.

Lyrik earned two silver medals in the Boys' Intermediate Singles and Boys' Intermediate All Events.

Makaela secured one silver medal in Girls' Singles and two bronze medals in Girls' All Events and Team competition.



Tec-Voc students Jed and Hamid represented our school with excellence at the Provincial Robotics Competition, delivering strong performances in all matches.



A special congratulations to Hamid for earning 2nd place in the Super Scramble Heavy competition and securing prize money. This marks as our school's first medal at the Manitoba Robot Games since 2019.

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Tec-Voc's Good Heart Elk Singers shared their voices and gifts across the community at a variety of gatherings and celebrations, including Orange Shirt Day and Red Dress Day events, Opening and Closing Ceremonies for the WSD Medical Careers Exploration Program and the Battle for Turtle Island basketball tournament, the Manitoba Indigenous Youth Achievement Awards, Sacred Fires and Sweat Lodge ceremonies, conferences, graduations, Pow Wows, and visits to elementary schools throughout the city.



Tec-Voc students enjoyed an exciting trip filled with fresh air, nature, and new discoveries at Oak Hammock Marsh.

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Tec-Voc's Pastry Arts instructor, Mr. Jerome Castro & Chef Marie Mallari from Sugar Blooms, triumphed in the Bake Master Battle finals on Food Network Canada.



Grade 9 students had an unforgettable day exploring, learning, and connecting beyond the classroom at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights and The Forks. From powerful stories that inspire empathy and understanding to enjoying the vibrant energy, food, and scenery at one of Winnipeg's most iconic spots.



Grade 9 Freshman Cup Champions with the Grade 9 Teacher Team.

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GENDER SEXUALITY ALLIANCE

Tec-Voc's first drag show was a collaboration between students and community members. We will continue to build on the success of this year's show and we plan to have a show every year!



Bahaghari Manitoba Presentation - Bahaghari Manitoba is a group of queer filipinos that work to advocate for queer rights and visibility in Manitoba. They came and gave us a workshop on Intersectionality.

Pride parade - we walked with the Winnipeg school division in this year's pride parade. This time we had a nice student made banner.



HIGHLIGHTS

Choralfest:

Concert Choir & Vocal Jazz Ensembles participated in Manitoba Choral Association's Choralfest, which included performances and participation choral clinics. (November 2025)

Winnipeg Music Festival:

Concert Choir participated in Winnipeg Music Festival (March 2026) which included performances and adjudication. They received a gold award for their performance.

Concerts:

March 13 "Hope Lingers On" featuring Concert Choir, Vocal Jazz and Musical Theatre ensembles

June 4 "Between These Walls" featuring Concert Choir, Vocal Jazz, Musical Theatre, DTC, Improv, and Rock Bands

Musical Theatre:

Attended/participated in Rainbow Stage's Musical Theatre Conference (May 22)

Participated in workshop facilitated by AMDA Performing Arts College (April 29)

Additional Field Trips:

Concert Choir attended the University of Manitoba Singers' choral concert (Oct. 30)

Grade 9 drama/dance joint field trip to MTYP's production of The Mush Hole, with subsequent workshop led by an MTYP facilitator (Oct. 30)

Grade 9 drama/dance & grade 10 dance joint field trip to RMTC's production of Elf (Nov. 28)

Piano/guitar joint field trip to Mayors of Sambor concert (Jan. 6)

Concert choir & Musical theatre students attend RMTC's production of Rubaboo-A Métis Cabaret. (May 6)

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Our School Gym Blast was an incredible day filled with energy, excitement, and nonstop fun! Students came together to run, play, laugh, and cheer each other on through a variety of exciting activities and games. The gym was full of positive vibes, teamwork, and school spirit as everyone joined in and gave it their all.



Students soaking up the sunshine and making the most of a beautiful day at Kildonan Park. From laughter-filled moments to enjoying the fresh air and wide open spaces, it's all about learning, connecting, and creating memories together outside the classroom.

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Our Grade 9 Girl Group got creative with hands-on slime making, mixing colors, textures, and lots of laughter along the way! It was a fun and messy experience that let everyone express their creativity while bonding with friends and enjoying the moment.



Taking learning to new heights! Our Grade 9 Girl Group students explored the exciting world of technology in Aerospace by flying drones. It was an empowering experience filled with curiosity, teamwork, and excitement.

Our Grade 9 Girl Group had meaningful and inspiring matriarch gathering brought them together to share stories and to celebrate culture. It was a beautiful time of connection, reflection, and empowerment that will leave a lasting impact.





TEC-VOC GRAD 2026



Our Convocation Day signifies the conclusion of one chapter and the commencement of another, as we carry forward the invaluable lessons, cherished laughter, and enduring friendships that have made these years truly unforgettable.

Congratulations to our graduates on your dedication and perseverance.



Priorities for 2026-2027

Our work this year continues to be anchored in three interconnected priorities: Presence and Engagement, Reducing Barriers and Improving Inclusive Practices, and Developing Authentic Assessment. These priorities reflect our commitment to student success, belonging, and meaningful learning.

Presence and Engagement

Tec-Voc is focused on strengthening student attendance, engagement, and connection to school life. Staff collaboration, family partnerships, extracurricular opportunities, and advisory structures continue to grow, helping students feel supported and involved. We have expanded credit recovery and continuous progress pathways, increased access to healthy food options, and strengthened our monitoring of attendance trends. These efforts contribute to a school culture where students feel a strong sense of belonging and are more consistently present, engaged, and connected to their learning.

Reducing Barriers and Improving Inclusive Practices

We continue to build a school environment where all students can access learning in ways that honour their identities, strengths, and needs. Professional development, student-specific planning, and LST support remain central to this work. Classrooms are increasingly culturally responsive and inclusive, offering multiple entry points to learning. Partnerships with community organizations and expanded opportunities for inquiry, work experience, cultural learning, and leaving-to-learn experiences help students engage in meaningful learning beyond the classroom. Students and staff alike report stronger feelings of preparedness, belonging, and connection.

Developing Authentic Assessment Practices

Our assessment practices continue to evolve toward outcomes-based, student-centred approaches. Teachers are deepening their use of triangulated evidence, performance-based tasks, and project-based learning. Interdisciplinary collaboration is growing, giving students more choice and helping them understand the purpose behind their learning. Gradebooks increasingly reflect outcome-based structures, and students are developing stronger core competencies, employability skills, and ownership of their learning. Digital portfolios through MyBlueprint continue to expand, supporting students in documenting and reflecting on their growth.

Tec-Voc's work this year reflects our unwavering commitment to the Winnipeg School Division's Strategic Plan and to the belief that every student deserves to feel seen, supported, and challenged. As we move into the 2026-2027 school year and prepare to celebrate 75 years of Tec-Voc's legacy, we remain dedicated to building a school community where students are engaged, inspired, and self-assured.