



Whyalla has proudly been involved in the Doorways to Construction (D2C) program over more than a decade and through the Housing SA Stimulus project, CITB, Samaritan College and Edward John Eyre High School are looking to re-establish a Doorways 2 Construction program where students work on a local Housing SA house with local tradespeople and gain a qualification in construction.

The finer and final details will depend on number and age of applicants but at this stage we are asking for interested students to nominate their interest via their school's VET coordinator.

Things to consider are:

- Will start Term 3 2017 and finish end of Term 2, 2018. This may mean withdrawing from a subject in Semester 2 and may impact on what you can choose in 2018.
- We are interested in hearing from Year 10s and Year 11s. Depending on the finer details of the program it may suit current Year 10s or it may suit current Year 11s. Once we know who is interested we can make decisions on what the exact program will look like. There won't be, however, a mix of Year 10 and 11 students – it will be one group or the other.
- Depending on the finer details it may be a Certificate I in General Construction or it may be a Certificate II in General Construction. If it is Cert I, then students currently in Year 11 are not encouraged to apply as Cert II units are needed for Stage 2 SACE credits (Cert I units do not help at Year 12).
- Requires working all day on the "house" one day a week and completing extra work placement on top of usual school work experience requirements. Some of this may be in school holidays. Students need to get themselves to and from the house. They don't go to school that day. We don't know what day of the week this will be just yet.
- Whilst a school supported program, students are "at work" on this day and answer to tradespeople and trainers – not teachers. EJEHS students would be also part of the program.
- Is only a once off program at this stage
- Should be minimal to no cost for students. Safety gear, overalls etc are normally supplied. You may need to invest in your own safety boots – although students seeking a career in this area should be looking to have their own pair anyway for work experience.
- Girls and boys are encouraged to apply.
- If the program goes ahead, students are interviewed and selected to be a part of it. It is not automatic. Students who don't show an aptitude to working on a worksite i.e. misbehave, late to school, miss days of schools etc, may not be considered.
- Is identical to the 'old' Doorways program that Samaritan used to run (also in conjunction with EJEHS). The one main difference is that the old program was January to December and done during Year 11. This program is July to June and crosses over a year level.

At this stage it is just an expression of interest we are after. **It does not commit you to the program if you register an interest now.** Remember we may need to recommend it is only for current

You need to inform Ms Gibson ASAP i.e. before end of Week 1 if you are interested. More information would come if we can proceed.

Doorways to Construction (D2C) is a leading example of Vocational Education and Training aimed at young people who may be considering a career in the building and construction industry in South Australia.