

Program Services



OTTAWA-CARLETON
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD



National Capital Region Army Reserves Cooperative Education Program

Program Services is pleased to share some details on the [National Capital Region Army Reserve Cooperative Education Program](#). This Co-op is a joint undertaking between the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board and the 33 Canadian Brigade Group. The aim of this Military Co-op program is to introduce OCDSB youth to career opportunities in the Armed Forces and Army Reserves.

Program Highlights:

- Scheduled to start in February 2026 (Semester 2)
- Paid experience which earns students > \$124.40/day
- Participating students will be required to attend parts of their training (such as Basic Military Qualifications) outside of the Ottawa region
- In addition to the weekly schedule, students in the program commit to working one evening per week, and one weekend per month
- Any training or work that takes place outside the Ottawa Region and/or regular school hours, would place students under the direct supervision of DND staff and not the OCDSB

Ideal Candidates (DND policy subject to change):

- 16 years of age or older (students under 18 will require guardian permission)
- Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Have completed 15 High School Credits
- Highly Motivated and seeking a challenge
- Interest in the Canadian Armed Forces
- Enrolled in full day co-op for Sem 2

Here is a comprehensive [Parent/Guardian Information Package](#) with additional details on program specifics. Please review this package with prospective students to ensure they understand the requirements, obligations, and timelines for enrolling in this program.

Application Deadline: October 17, 2025

The OCDSB and 33 Canadian Brigade Group will be hosting information sessions during the months leading up to the application deadline. Please ensure expression of interest forms (on the next page) are being submitted to receive up to date information and communications.

- June Virtual Information Session: Date TBD
- September Virtual Information Session: Date TBD

Expression of Interest

Please complete this [Expression of Interest Form](#) to receive future communications or to move forward with an application to the Armed Forces Co-op Program. Completing this form helps ensure students are tracked and supported during the application process by both the OCDSB and Army Reserve Recruiters.

NOTE: All applications are vetted and approved through the Department of National Defense. Successful applicants are not determined by the OCDSB.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact David Hubbard (david.hubbard@ocdsb.ca), Cooperative Education Lead and Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program Recruiter.