NATIONAL FOUNDATION SKILLS STRATEGY PROJECT

Chisholm - Foundation skills delivery model

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Qualifications	Certificate II in Building and Construction Certificate II in General Education for Adults
Learner group	Disengaged youth 15 – 16 year old males
Location	TAFE Institute, classroom and workshop



Model - Integration of FSK and pre-apprenticeship Certificate 2 in Building and Construction

This method of delivery is designed to attract and retain disengaged learners (mainly 15-16 year old boys) into training. The learners participate in a structured, practical program to develop carpentry skills and knowledge, and develop their numeracy, literacy and employability skills at the same time.

Engagement

The opportunity to engage in learning through a practical project, constructing a building, encourages the learners to participate. They are involved in the building design, hands-on construction and problem solving that is required during the building project.

Nicole employs specific strategies to encourage participation and foster positive results:

- Build learners' self esteem
- Work in small group
- Replicate a workplace



Embedding foundation skills

Foundation skill development is integrated into building and construction activities.

Learners may be unaware how many foundations skills they are developing while completing their training.

Examples include:

- Numeracy measuring timber lengths, conversion of millimetres to metres
- Reading interpreting and understanding building plans
- Writing developing safe work statements
- Communication working within a small team to complete tasks