## **Stanley DeWalt Testimonial**

The grade 7's and 8's are so excited and ready to get started with their Stanley/DeWalt tools that were awarded to us at the Skills NS Competition last year!

Stanley/DeWalt has helped to build the wood working and production space here at Vanier from the ground up. By winning this grant at a time where we desperately needed tools to build our inventory in our newly renovated production space, Stanley/DeWalt came through and made that possible! Without this generosity, our lab might have been years in the making as we accumulated all the necessary tools to benefit our students' learning.

Although students have not gotten their hands on these tools just yet, it has boosted our school moral and we have felt the impact from being awarded this grant. We have used the last year to finish renovating our production lab, organize work spaces for student led projects and added the finishing touches to ensure the classroom is ready for students to learn great hands on skills/trades. As of early 2020, our students at Georges P. Vanier will be able to experience a woodshop/production space for the first time in several decades. None of this would have been possible without this donation from Stanley/DeWalt.

Not only Georges P. Vanier, but the rest of the Fall River community is excited for the students to get going with these tools. It will fit perfectly into our new pilot program/curriculum that our school is rolling out and the positive reactions of this were felt throughout the Twitter-verse as we posted about our good fortune (as pictured below)!

A final shout out and thank you to Stanley/DeWalt for giving our students here at Vanier this amazing opportunity to experience something within the world of skilled trades, which simply hasn't been a part of our school community for so many years! Thank you for opening this door to our nearly four hundred students!

## Tweet

Georges P. Vanier @GPVanierJH

Thank you @Skills\_Canada @DEWALTtough for the tool grant. Staff and students are looking forward to the hands on learning that will happen with this great opportunity. @HRCE\_NS @nseducation



