

Help Us Build More Than a Shed

Your gift of materials, money, or professional services helps Bendix Academy students learn real carpentry through a real build.

Ways to Help



Donate materials

Provide building materials, fixtures, or tools.



Sponsor with a cash gift

Help us purchase needed materials and supplies.



Offer expertise or services

Share your skills, advice, or professional services.

Sponsors may be recognized on a project sign, on our website, and in project updates.



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Project Wish List

Help us provide the materials, tools, and support students need to build a high-quality 8' x 10' shed using real construction methods.

Needed materials may include:

- ☐ Pressure-treated lumber
- ☐ 2x4 and 2x6 framing lumber
- ☐ T&G subfloor and OSB sheathing
- ☐ 4x4 treated posts
- ☐ Shingles, underlayment, and ice & water shield
- ☐ Drip edge and soffit plywood
- ☐ Vinyl siding, corner posts, starter strip, utility trim, and J-channel
- ☐ Housewrap
- ☐ Screws, nails, and adhesive
- ☐ Window and exterior doors

Professional support also welcome:



Drawings, estimating, technical review, construction advice, and related services.



**Roof trusses
have already
been donated.**

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Bendix Academy's

First Student-Built Shed

Real tools. Real construction. Real learning.

Students ages 12+ will build an 8' x 10' shed using house-grade materials and residential building methods.



OUR FIRST SHED


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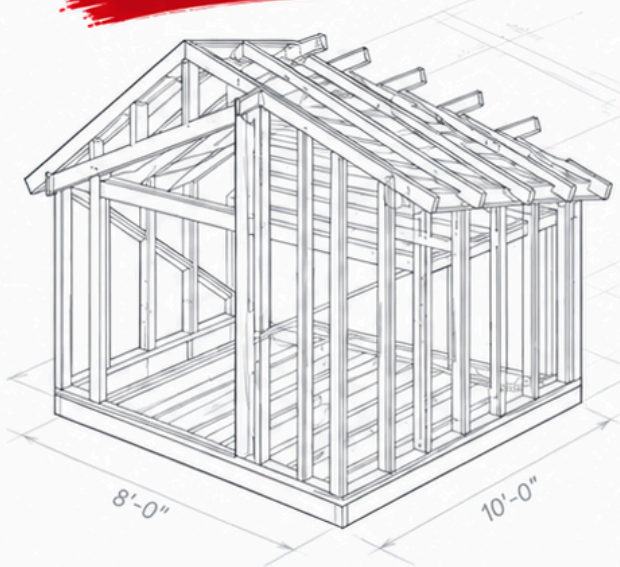


**Become a Project Sponsor
or Industry Partner**

Inspired by a Mentor

This project began with Mr. Beckwith, one of Bendix Academy's volunteer mentors. On mission trips, he watched young people help build sheds and saw how much they were learning—carpentry, teamwork, patience, problem-solving, and the pride of completing something useful. He realized the same idea could become a powerful Bendix Academy lesson. And so our first Student-Built Shed Project was born.

"A small building with big lessons."



What Students Will Learn

Building a shed teaches far more than carpentry.



Reading plans and drawings



Measuring, marking, and layout



Safe tool use and jobsite habits



Lumber, fasteners, and materials



Floor, wall, and roof framing



Roof trusses and sheathing



Window, door, siding, and trim basics



Weather protection and water management



Practical math, sequencing, and quality control



Teamwork, confidence, and problem-solving



**Built like a house,
sized like a shed.**

Why Sponsor This Project?

This is our first shed, and it will be built to a higher standard than a typical shed because students are learning real house-construction methods using house-grade materials.

Your support can help in three ways:



Give materials

Put real building products in students' hands.



Give funds

Help fill gaps in materials and services.



Give expertise

Share professional knowledge and guidance.

When the project is complete, the finished shed will be offered for sale in the community, and proceeds will support future Toolmanship Mentoring opportunities.



Sponsor recognition may include:

- ☒ Project sponsor sign
- ☒ Website and project updates
- ☒ Community recognition



**Help us build skills,
confidence, and futures.**

Contact Todd Trainor or Wendy Zielen
to sponsor the shed project.