



**GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS
SECONDARY**

Grade 8

2026-2027 Course Selection

Plan for Today



- Welcome, territory acknowledgement and introductions
- Grade 9 courses
- Course selection timeline
- Course Description Booklet & MyEdBC Portal
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Grade 9 Courses

All grade 9 students will take these 5 core courses:

1. English 9
2. Social Studies 9
3. Math 9
4. Science 9
5. Physical and Health Education 9 or Hockey PE 9



Grade 9 students then choose 3 elective courses, one must be an ADST and one must be a Fine Art. The third course can be a second ADST, a second Fine Art, Leadership or a Modern Language. A Modern Language is not a graduation requirement or required for post-secondary programs in BC. Students should check requirements for programs outside of BC.

6. ADST Elective
7. Fine Art Elective
8. Any Elective

**if you choose Hockey PE 9, it counts as one of your three electives*

Students are only permitted to take academic courses that are one grade level ahead of their current grade.

Jazz Band or Choir will be 9th courses that are available through a selection process. Students must take Concert band in order to take Jazz band.

Courses with Applications

The following courses require an application. Applications can be found on the course selection page on the Grandview Heights website (linked in a future slide).

Applications will be reviewed through a selection process, and the teacher will let the successful candidates know that they have been added to the course. **Pay close attention to all the information and deadlines!**

Choose your courses as if you are NOT getting into the application-based course. The application form provides a space for you to list the course request(s) that you would like to remove if you are offered a spot in the course.

Courses requiring an application:

- Leadership 9-12
- Hockey Academy 8-12
- Theatre Company 9-12
- Dance Company 9-12

A Note Regarding Online Courses

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS BEFORE ENROLLING IN ONLINE LEARNING

- Online courses are just as challenging as in-person courses.
- Time-management skills are very important.
- You will have to make time each day to work on your course, much in the same way that you would be required for an in-person course.
- Accountability will be your responsibility.
- Ensure that you have a space in your home that is free from distractions where you can work every day.
- To be successful, an online student needs to want to succeed. Online learning requires independence, internal motivation, and a certain level of maturity.
- You will be required to develop a schedule, set specific goals and be committed to your work.

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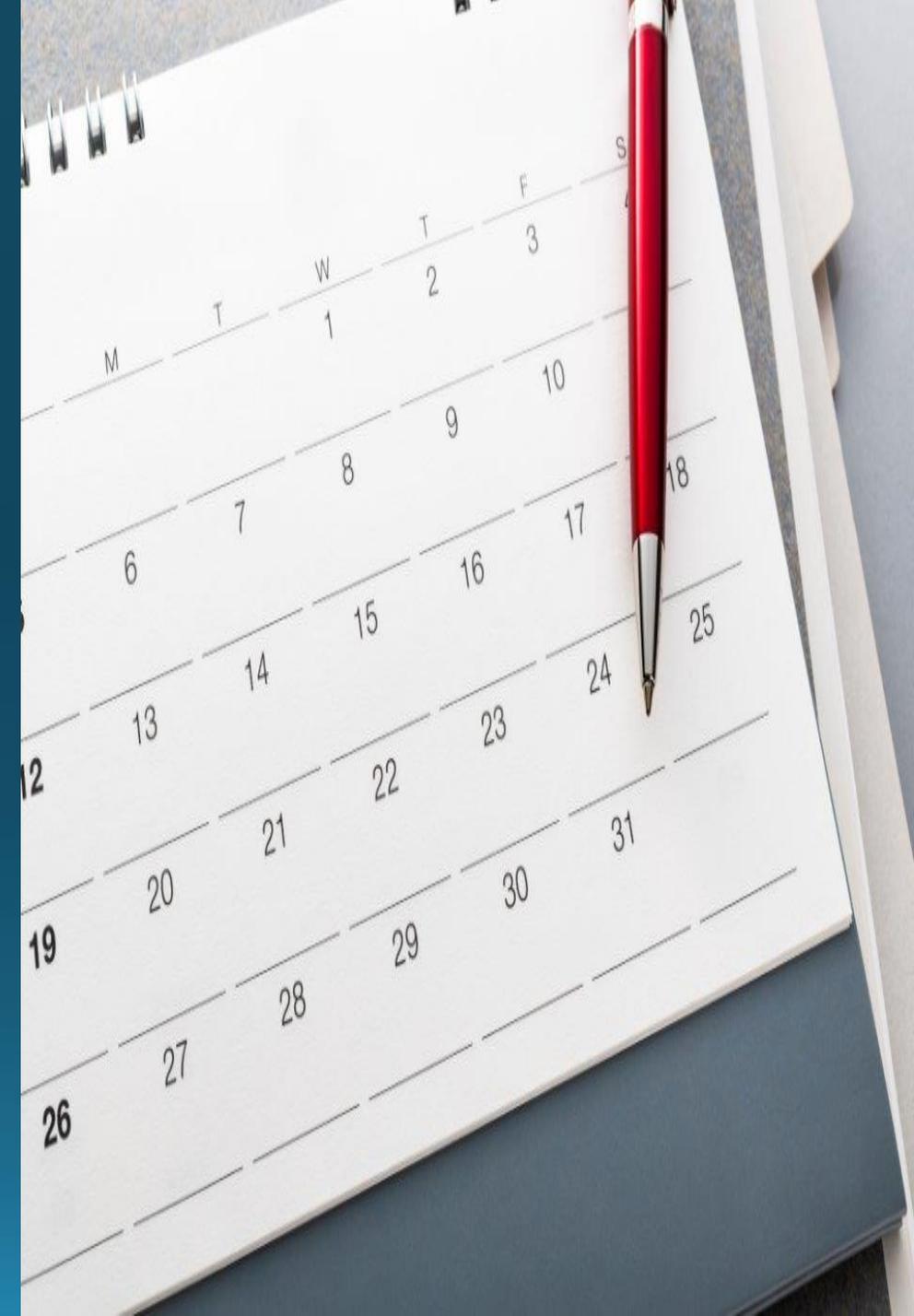
- It's easier online. The reality is that if you struggle with specific course material it will not be easier with you teaching yourself. For example, if math is challenging in-person it will be even more challenging working through it on your own.

ONLINE SCHOOLS ARE SEPARATE FROM YOUR IN-PERSON SCHOOL

- There are approximately 56 online school options in British Columbia. When you register for a course with one of these schools, you are responsible for working with them for completion of the course.
- If you are withdrawing from a course, you must contact the online school to work out any details. Grandview Heights will not be able to help you with any inquiries regarding your online school course(s) or marks.
- Any questions or clarifications about online schools must be worked through with the online school teacher.
- Marks for online courses are submitted by the online schools directly to the Ministry and at differing times. Grandview Heights does not have control over mark submission completed by the online schools.

Course Selection Timeline

- The portal will be open from February 19th to 27th for you to input your course requests for next year.
- During this time, vice-principals will have a lab open (room 127) at lunch for students to access support with course selection. Counsellors will be available in the lab as well to answer questions regarding graduation and post-secondary requirements.
- **It is important that you have conversations with your parents and choose your courses wisely before February 27th.**
- The timetable and teacher staffing is planned around the courses you choose now, and therefore, it is very likely you will NOT be able to change your requests later!



Course Selection Presentations

Counsellors provide online grade wide course selection presentations
PowerPoints and course planning sheets are posted on school website for students and families to review

February

Portal Open

Students carefully review information from course selection presentations and make course requests via the MyEdBC Portal

February

Timetable Building and Staffing

Administrators collect course selection data and begin building timetable
Administrators begin planning and hiring staff based on course request data

March - June

Form to Change Request due to Summer School or Online Enrollment

Online Form open for short window for students to make changes to request based on enrolling in Summer School or online courses
*This is the only opportunity to make changes to requests

April

Timetable Finalized and Balanced

Administration completes timeline
Counsellors review timetable and balance courses

June - August

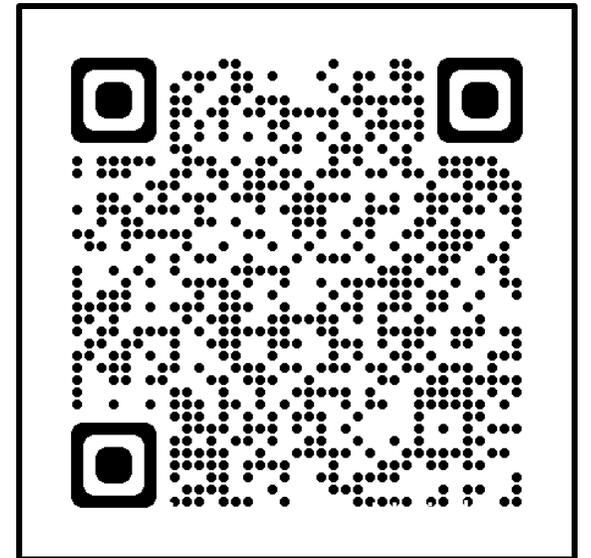
Student Schedules Published on MyEd

Students can access their schedule on MyEd BC
Instructions on making requests to schedule changes will be shared at this time
Most changes are not possible

August

MyEdBC Portal

- All course requests are done online through the MyEdBC portal: [MyEducation BC: Log On \(gov.bc.ca\)](https://www.gov.bc.ca/myeducationbc)
- If you need help with your login/password credentials, please check the school website for support and then see the front office **ONLY** if you are still having trouble



Course Description Booklet

QR Code for
Course Selection
Handbook and
Course Planning
Sheets
[Course Selection](#)



All the course descriptions can also be found next to the course on MyEdBC

Questions?

If you have special circumstances regarding your schedule, or questions that were left unanswered, book an appointment with your alpha counsellor using the QR codes here.

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