COURSE SELECTION for 2020-2021

Current Grade 10's

Grade 11



Timeline for Course Selection

- **January 28** course selection letter sent home in Period C
- January 30- assembly for all grade 10 students (Block B)
- Parent and student review information on the website
- January 31 Career Fair in Center Court @ lunch
- **February 4, 6, 11, 13** Drop-in Sessions in the Library Lab for online assistance or in the Office Conference room with counsellors
- February 18 online course selection completed
- **February 27** course selection verification due in Homeroom— print out of what students have selected handed out on February 25

Course Selection

- Need to consider 2 things when picking your classes:
 - Grad Requirements
 - Post Secondary Plans
 - Working?
 - College?
 - University?
 - Many colleges/universities are now looking at students marks in their grade 11 year, so it is important to become familiar with the admissions requirements for institutions you are considering

GRADUATION PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

80 CREDITS min. (Gr. 10 - 12) Each course = 4 credits

GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
English 10 (options)	English 11 (options)	English Studies 12
Science 10	Science 11 (options)	Elective 12 or Socials 12
Math 10 (options)	Math 11 (options)	Elective 12
Socials 10	Socials 11 or 12 (options)	Elective 12
PE & Health 10	Elective or CLC	Elective
Career Life Ed	Elective	Elective
Elective 10	Elective	Elective
Elective 10	Elective	Elective or Career Life Connections

Must have 4 Grade 12 Level Courses

Provincial Assessments

Numeracy Exam – Grade 10 Literacy Exam – Grade 10 and 12

Name:

Course Planning Tool: Grade 10 into Grade 11

Grade 10 Year	credits	Grade 11 Year	credits	Grade 12 Year	credits
English 10	4	English 11	4	English Studies 12	4
Social Studies 10	4	Math 11	4	Elective12	4
Math 10	4	Science 11	4	Elective12	4
Science 10	4	Elective or Socials 11 or 12	4	Elective12	4
PE & Health 10	4	Elective or CLC	4	Elective or Socials 11 or 12	4
Career Life Education	4	Elective10/11	4	Elective10/11/12	4
Elective10	4	Elective10/11	4	Elective10/11/12	4
Elective10	4	Elective10/11	4	Elective or CLC	4
Total Credits Grade 10	32	Total Credits Grade 11	32	Total Credits Grade 12	32
Gr. 10 Numeracy Exam				Gr. 12 Literacy Exam	
Gr. 10 Literacy Exam					

Note: One elective in grade 10, 11 or 12 must be a Fine Arts or an Applied Skills course

Total Credits combined from Grades 10, 11 and 12 =

Minimum total of 80 Credits REQUIRED (average total is 96-100)

English

English 10

Choose 1 of the Following:

- Composition & Creative Writing
- Composition & Literary Studies

Detailed course descriptions in the Course Handbook

You may change your focus year to year

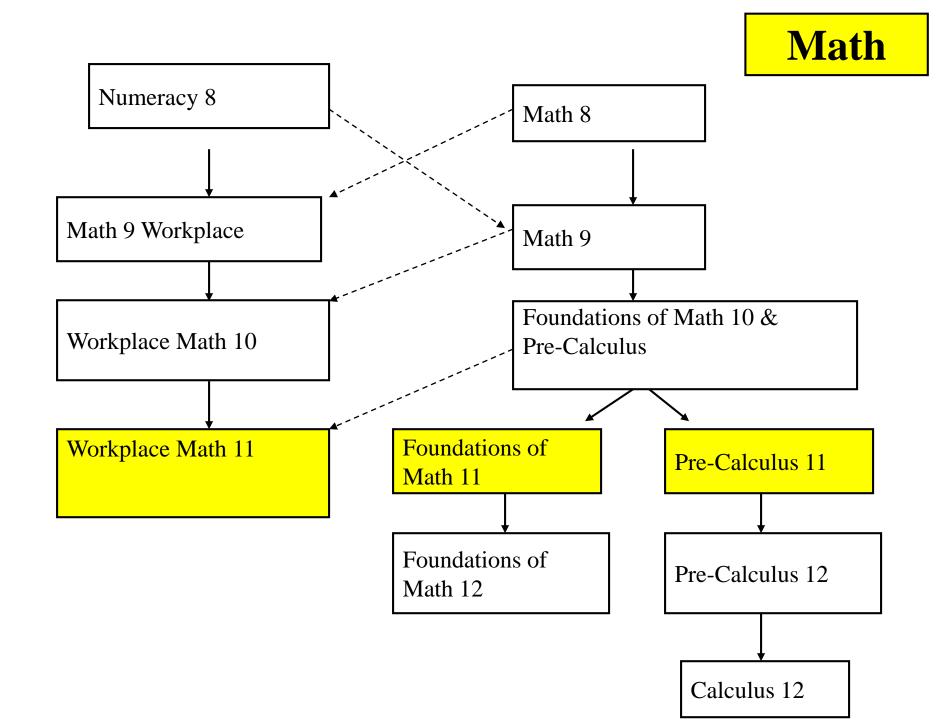
English 11

Choose 1 of the Following:

- Creative Writing
- Literary Studies

English Studies 12

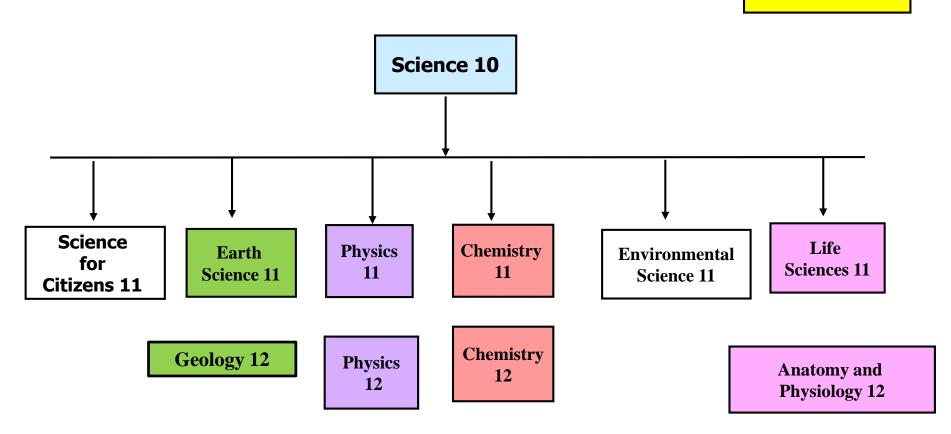
There are
other English 12
Electives that do
not meet the
English Studies 12
Graduation
Requirements



Math 11

- How to decide which to take:
 - o If you have math this semester talk with your teacher
 - If you have math next semester, talk to your teacher from last year or refer to your experience in grade
 9 math
 - o Generally if your mark is in the low 50's and you have worked hard and completed your homework to the best of your ability you may be suited to Workplace
 - If you are in Workplace Math 10, you will take Workplace Math 11

Science



Social Studies

Choose a minimum of one Grade 11 or 12 level course to satisfy graduation requirements

Explorations in Social Studies 11

20th Century World History 12

Physical Geography 12

Social Justice 12

Political Studies 12

Asian Studies 12

BC First Peoples 12

Law 12

Human Geography 12

Career Life Education (CLE)

Career Education

Career Life Connections (CLC)

Graduation Requirement

May take in Grade 11 OR Grade 12

- Capstone Project and Presentation
- 30 hours Volunteer or Work Experience
- Use of online tools MyBluePrint, WorksafeBC, EducationPlannerBC
- Personal Development, Connections to Community, Life and Career Paths
- Resume, Cover Letter & Interview Skills
- Scholarship & Post-Secondary Planning

Options for Career Life Connections (CLC)

Single Course

- 4 credits
- May select one of:
 - Bus. Ed/Info Tech CLC
 - Band CLC (all Band 11 students must take this option)
 - Or just CLC

You may take this course in Grade 11 or Grade 12

District Partnership Programs

Earn post-secondary credits while still in high school.

Visit the Career Centre for information.

Info sessions:

Mon. Feb. 10th @ lunch room 501 Tues. Feb. 18th @ lunch room 501

- Automotive Collision
- Automotive Refinishing Technician
- Automotive Service Technician
- · Baking and Pastry Arts
- Carpentry
- Culinary Arts
- Drafting/CADD
- Education Assistant
- Electrical
- Explorations in Aviation Careers
- Head Start in Art
- Hairstylist

- · Heavy Mechanical Trades
- Horticulture
- Metal Fabrication
- Millwright
- Painter
- Piping
- Tah-tul-ut Indigenous Education Pathway
- Trades Sampler
- Welding
- Youth Work in Trades

The deadline to apply is March 30th, 2020.

Dual Credit Courses

 Introduction to Practice for Child and Youth Care Counsellors



Introduction to Health Sciences



 The Canadian Criminal Justice System



The deadline to apply is March 30th, 2020.

How to pick your 3 Elective Courses

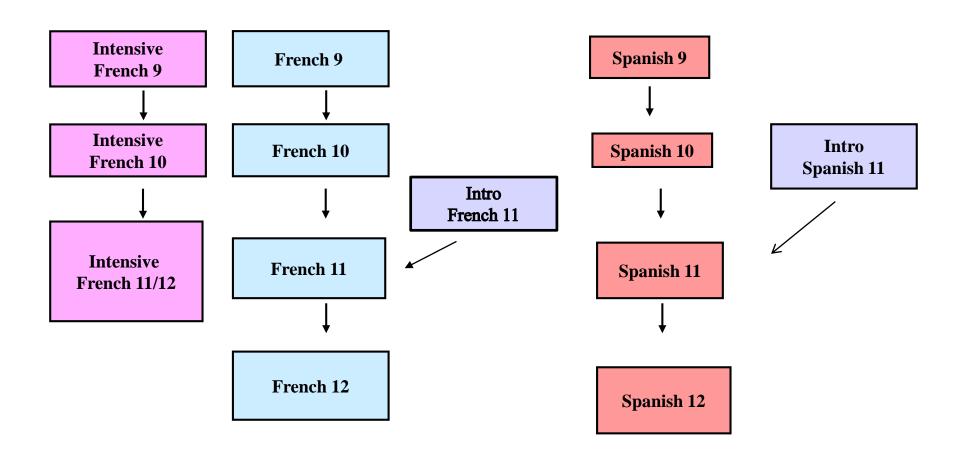
- Think about courses you are interested in
- Read the course description in the Course Description Booklet (available online) to get a sense of what the course is about
- Visit the Course Fair in Centre Court at lunch on Friday, January 31
- Talk to teachers who teach the class to get more information
- Note: **many** electives can be taken in grade 10 and 11 without having taken the course in a previous year. For example:
 - o if you don't take Art 9 beginner, you can still take Art 10
 - o if you don't take Woodwork 9, you can still take Woodwork 11

Choose wisely.....elective changes may not be considered

Language Courses

- You <u>DO NOT</u> need a Language to graduate
- Some universities require students to complete a language up to grade 11 for direct entry (you need to verify this)
- Some universities require students to complete a language 12 or the university equivalent to complete a degree
- If you did not take a language in Grade 9 or 10 you may take Introductory Spanish 11 or Introductory
 French 11

Languages



9th Course Option – Audition Courses

- Students have the opportunity to take an additional course in the following areas:
 - − Dance Company 10 − 12
 - **−** Jazz Band 10 − 12
 - Polaris Choir 10 12
 - Theatre Company 10 12
- If interested, students should be taking the corresponding course in their regular course schedule (i.e. band, choir, dance, drama).
- Listen to announcements for auditions taking place in the spring.

There are Other Ways to Get Credits

- Take a course at Summer School or Online.
- Submit documentation of having:
 - taken a course outside of the district, province or country.
 - attended a school in another country where English was not the language of instruction.
 - completed external credits eg: sports, music, dance, lifesaving, driver's education (ICBC).

Please see your counsellor if any of these apply to you or if you have any questions.

Summer School

- If you do not meet the learning outcomes of an academic course in Grade 10 your teacher may recommend an appropriate summer school program.
- If you decide to go to summer school you must tell your counsellor so they don't put you in the grade 10 class.
- Summer school is a *BIG* decision because it condenses 5 months of school work into 5 weeks.
 - \rightarrow Consider this carefully.

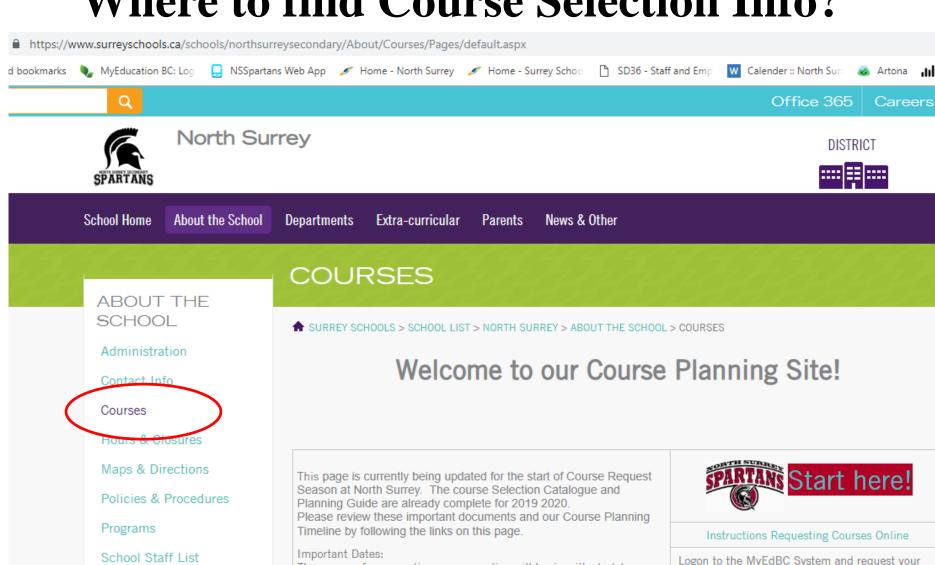
Important Notes about Course Selection

- Select courses **YOU** are interested in...not what others want you to take.
- Consider **YOUR** goals for post-secondary.
- Consider Grade 11 courses that will prepare you for your post-secondary.
- Think very carefully about your alternate choices on your course request form as you may end up taking one of those courses.

Course Selection Process

- Students <u>must review</u> course selection information at:
 - NS Course Planning Site
- ➤ Learn about courses from
 - ➤ NSS Course Description Booklet: 2020-2021
- > Plan your courses using the
 - **Course Planning Tool Grade 10 into 11**

Where to find Course Selection Info?



The process for requesting courses online will begin with studets

open from January 10 to February 19, depending on grade level.

assemblies on January 10. The Course request Portal in MyEd will be

courses. Having trouble logging on? Forget your

password? Use the "Forgot Password" feature on

the MyEducationBC main page!

Course Selection Process

- Following the assembly, complete your Course Request Form in consultation with your parents/guardians
- Go online into MyEdBC and enter your course selection information into the system by:
 - \rightarrow February 18, 2020
- Students requiring help with online MyEdBC:
 - → February 4, 6, 11, 13 drop-in help sessions available in the Library Computer Lab or counsellor help available in the Office Conference Room.

Course Selection Process

- You will receive a verification copy of your selected courses at the end of **February**.
- Go over your selections with your parents
- If there are errors, make corrections on the verification form and submit to the office

Counsellors

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International

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If you have questions talk to your counsellor

Grads of 2022



Thank you!