## COURSE PLANNING 2020-2021

## Current GRADE 9's <br> Going into Grade 10

## Timeline for Course Planning

- Feb. 1 Course planning information letter emailed home
- Feb. 3-4 Course Planning presentation via PowerPoint to Gr. 9 students in morning classes
- Parents/students review information on our new Learming Guide and our Website
- Use the Course Planning Tool
- Feb 2-18 students may connect with alpha Counsellor for course planning support
- February 18 - Deadline for Course selection completed AT HOME online in MyEdBC


## Learning Guide

 2021Please see our all-new Learning Guide to highlight the amazing opportunities for student learning each one of our departments has to offer! $C$


## Course Planning

- Welcome to the Grad Program
- You need to consider 2 things when selecting your classes:
- Grad Requirements
- Post-Secondary Plans:
- Working
- College
- University

Many colleges/universities are now looking at student marks in grade 11, so it is important to become familiar with the admissions requirements for institutions you are considering

## Students take 8 classes

- 6 required courses (must take)
- 2 elective courses (student's choice)


## Required Courses

- English 10 - pick an option
- Social Studies 10
- Science 10
- A Math 10 - pick an option
- Physical and Health Education 10
- Career Life Education


## GRADUATION PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

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

GRADE 10
English 10 (options)
Science 10
Math 10 (options)
Socials 10
Physical \& Health Ed 10 Career Life Ed

Elective
Elective

GRADE 11
English 11 (options)
Science 11 (options)
Math 11 (options)
Socials 11 or 12 (options)
Elective or CLC
Elective
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Elective

GRADE 12
English Studies 12
Elective 12 or Socials 12
Elective 12
Elective 12
Elective
Elective
Elective
Elective or Career Life Conne

Must have 4 Grade 12 Level Co

## Provincial Assessments

Numeracy Assessment- Grade 10
Literacy Assessments - Grade 10 and 12

| NSS Graduation Years Course Planning 2021-2022 |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Arts | English | ```Requirement - Choose one: Compostion \& Creative Writing 10 (a Composifion a Lherary Studies 10``` | Requirrement - Choose one: <br> Creatve Wrisng 11 <br> $\square$ | Requilrement <br> Engish Soudies 12 <br> Elective: <br> - Creafive Writing 12 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Engliah } \\ & \text { Language } \\ & \text { Learning } \end{aligned}$ | - ELL | - ELL | - ELL |
|  | Locial <br> Social | Requirrement <br> * Social Studes 10 | Requirement: <br> Choose a Minimum of one Social studi <br> Explorations in Social Studies 1 <br> BC First Pooples 12 <br> Human Geography 12 <br> Law Studies 12 <br> - Pirysical Geography 12 <br> - Pollical Studies 12 <br> - Social Justice 12 <br> - $20^{\text {² }}$ Century World History 12 | during Grade 11 or 12 |
|  | Larguages | Elective(s): <br> (L) French 10 <br> - Intensive French 10 <br> - Sparish 10 <br> - Introductory Spanish 11 | Elective(s): <br> IL Introductory French 11 <br> - Franch 11 <br> - Intensive French 11/12 <br> - Spanish 11 <br> - Introductory Spanish 11 | Elective(s): <br> Introductory French 11 <br> Fronch 11 <br> French 12 <br> Intensive French 11/12 <br> Introductory Spanish 11 <br> Spanish 11 <br> Spanish 12 |
|  |  | Elective(s): <br> - Conoert Band 10 <br> - Conoort Choir 10 <br> Dance 10 (Beginner, Intermediate or Advanced) Danoe Chorecgraphy 10 <br> - Drama Acting 10 or Drama Acting 10 Advanced <br> - Drama Tech Theatre \& Design 10 <br> - Visual Art 10 (Beginner or Intermediate) | Elective(s): Conoert Band 11 <br> Conoert Choir 11 <br> - Dance 11 (Beginner, Intermediate or Advanoed) <br> Q Danoe Choreography 11 <br> - Drama Acting 11 or Drama <br> Acting 11 Advanced <br> - Drama Derecting and Scriptwrising 11 <br> - Drama Tech Theatre \& Design 11 <br> - Visual Art 11 (Beginner, Intermediate or Advanced) <br> - Visual Art Sculpture 11 |  |
|  |  | Elective(s): Jazz Band 10 Polaris 10 Theatre Company 10 Dance Company 10 | Elective(s): Jazz Band 11 Polaris 11 Theatre Company 11 Danoe Company 11 | Elective(s):  <br> Jazz Band 12  <br> Polans 12  <br>  Theatre Company 12 <br>  Danoe Company 12 |
| Design | Science | Requilrament - Choose one: Science 10 Science 10 Leadership | Requirement: <br> Choose a MINIMUM of one required <br> Science course: <br> Science for Citizens 11 <br> LFe Sciences 11 <br> Environmental Science 11 <br> Chemistry 11 <br> Physics 11 <br> Earth Science 11 | Elective(s): <br> Science for Citizens 11 <br> Lfo Sciences 11 <br> Anatomy \& Physiology 12 <br> Emvironmental Science 11 <br> Chemistry 11 <br> Chemistry 12 <br> Earth Science 11 <br> Geology 12 <br> Ptysaics 11 <br> Plyysics 12 |
|  | Math | Requilrement - Choose one: <br> Foundations of Math \& PreCalculus 10 <br> Workplace Math 10 | Requirement - Choose one: Workplace Math 11 Foundations of Math 11 Pre-Calculas 11 | Elective(s): <br> Workplace Math 11 <br> Foundations of Math 11 <br> Foundations of Math 12 <br> Pre-Calculus 11 <br> Pre-Calculus 12 <br> Calculus 12 |
|  | Physical \& Hoath Education (PHE) | Requilrement - Cheose one: <br> - Physical \& Heath Education 10 <br> - Physical \& Health Education 10 (Band) <br> (—) Phyaical \& Healh Education 10 (Leadership) |  | Elective(s): Active Living 12 Fitness \& Conditioning 12 Weight Training 12 |
|  | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { Applisd } \\ \text { Design, } \end{array}$ | Elective(s): <br> - Entroprenourship s | Elective(s): Culnary Arts 11 | Elective(s): Culnary Arts 12 |



## Course Planning Tool:

| Grade 10 Year | ceats | Grade 11 Year | evesta | Grade 12 Year | cevils |
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| English 10 | 4 | English 11 | 4 | English Studies 12 | 4 |
| Social Studies 10 | 4 | Math 11 | 4 | Elective ${ }^{12}$ | 4 |
| Math 10 | 4 | Science 11 | 4 | Elective 12 | 4 |
| Science 10 | 4 | Eloctive ar Socials 11 or 12 | 4 | Elective | 4 |
| Physical Health Ed. 10 | 4 | Eloctive or CLC | 4 | Socials 11/12 or Eloctive 10011/12 | 4 |
| Career Life Education | 4 | Elactive 10/11/12 | 4 | Elective 10/11/12 | 4 |
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| Eloctive | 4 | Eloctive <br> 10/11/12 | 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 |  |  |  |  |  |

$\frac{\text { Note: One elective in grade } 10,11}{\text { or } 12 \text { must be either a Fine Arts or }}$ an Applied Skills course

Total Credits combined from Grades 10, 11 and $12=$
Minimum total of $\mathbf{8 0}$ Credits REQUIRED (average total is $96-100$ )

## Consider the following when selecting a Math 10:

- There are 2 math classes offered at the grade 10 level:
- Math 10 Foundations and Pre-Calculus
- Majority of students will take this math
- Math 10 Workplace
- Designed for students who really struggle in math
- Designed for entry into many college/trades programs and the work place
- How to decide which to take:
- If you have math this quarter, talk with your teacher.
- If you have math next quarter, talk to your teacher from last year or refer to your experience in grade 8 math.
- 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 Math 9 Workplace, you will take Math 10 Workplace


## How to pick your 2 Elective Courses

- Think about courses you are interested in
- Read the NSS Learning Guide (available online) to get a sense of what courses are about
- 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:
- if you don't take Art 9 beginner, you can still take Art 10
- if you don’t take Woodwork 9, you can still take Woodwork 11

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

## Language Courses

$>$ You DO NOT 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 are registered in Intensive French 9 the natural progression is Intensive French 10
> If you do not to take a language in Grade 9 you may take Introductory Spanish or French in Grades 10, 11 or 12

## Career Courses

- You have completed Careers 8 \& 9
- Grade 10 - Career Life Education
- Grade 11 or 12 - Career Life Connections


## Audition Courses (9th course after school)



Students can also take an additional after school course for credit in the following areas:

Jazz Band
Polaris (choir)
Theatre Company
Dance Company

Listen to announcements for auditions taking place in the spring. If you are accepted, the course will be added to your schedule.

## There are Other Ways to Get Credits

- Take a course at Summer School or Online.
- Submit documentation to counsellor 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: music, dance, lifesaving, driver's education (ICBC).
- external credits may be given for provincial/national level elite athletes.
- 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 9 your teacher may recommend an appropriate remedial summer school program.
- If you decide to attend summer school please complete the Online-Summer-Study form (O.S.S.) so your counsellor does not re-schedule the course.
- Summer school is a $\boldsymbol{B I G}$ decision because it condenses 5 months of school work into 5 weeks.
- Please note: taking a summer school course may not allow you to select/attempt the next level of that academic.


## Online Courses

You may choose to cross enroll with an online school to take an additional course, advance ahead, or to take a course that you may not have in your schedule.

Please complete the Online-Summer-Study form (O.S.S.) if you plan to take an online course.

Consider the following characteristics of what a successful online learner looks like:

- Independent learner
- Self-motivated
- Skilled with written communication
- Able to set a schedule and keep it
- Able to meet deadlines


## District Partnership Programs

## Earn post-secondary credits while still in high school. <br> Inquire at Student Services in the Career Centre for applications.

- Automotive Collision
- Automotive Refinishing Technician
- Automotive Service Technician
- Explorations in Aviation @ North Surrey
- Baking and Pastry Arts
- Carpentry
- Culinary Arts
- Drafting/CADD
- Education Assistant
- Electrician
- Emily Carr: Head Start in Art
- Hair Stylist
- Horticulture
- Law Enforcement Preparatory Program
- Masonry
- Metal Fabrication
- Millwright
- Heavy Mechanical Trades
- Painter
- Piping
- Roofing
- Trades Sampler
- Welding
- Youth Work in Trades


## Where do I find Course Planning Info?

- Talk to your counsellor
- Check out our website here
- Explore the Learning Guide 2021
- Read this power point and the course planning letter sent home


## Course

 PlanningProcess
Don't forget to:

- Checkout the Learning Guide on our school welbsite
- Use the Course Planning Tool
- Now you are ready to go online into MyEdBC from here and enter your course selection information into the system by:
$\rightarrow$ February 18, 2021


## Counsellors

> Ms. Kirkpatrick helps students with last names: A - F
> Mr. Orso helps students with last names: G-K and International students
> Ms. Vairo helps students with last names: L - R
> Ms. McLeod helps students with last names: S - Z

If you have course planning questions, please connect with your counsellor through Teams Chat or via email.


## Grads of 2024



Thank you!

