KING GEORGE

COURSE PLANNING

2026-27

Course Selection
Grade 9's going into
Grade 10

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2) **Principal**: Mr. Evans

3) **Vice Principal**: Ms. Clark

4) **Community School (CST):** Vive (Grotto)

5) **Safe & Caring Schools**: Natalie (Tues/wed/Fri)

6) **Settlement Workers (SWIS):** Soheila (Farsi) & Mihaylo (Russian/Serbian)

7) **Youth & Family Workers**: Jasmin

8) **Indigenous Support:** Kerri Timothy (Room 208) Fridays

9) **Leadership & Resiliency (LRP)**: (Room 208) Tues

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Activities & Community Connection

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- Youth Worker for the West End & Coal Harbour Community Centre

TIMELINES

Course Planning Presentation

In Classrooms:

- Thurs., January 8
- Tues., January 13
- Tuesday. January 20
- Thursday, January 22

Course Selection Forms

Due: Thursday, February 5th

GRADE 10 COURSES

COMPULSORY	ELECTIVE
1) ENGLISH 10	7).
2) SCIENCE 10	8)
3) SOCIALS 10	9) Off-timetable?
4) CLE 10 (Career Life)	
5) PE 10	
6) MATH 10 (two options):	
a) Foundations and Pre-Calculus 10; or	
b) Workplace Math 10 (WPM)	

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- **ENGLISH** 10, 11, 12
- **MATH** 10, 11
- **SCIENCE** 10, 11
- **SOCIALS** 10, 11/12

- One (1) Arts **or** Applied Skills 10, 11 **or** 12
- PE 10
- Career Life (CLE) 10
- Career Life (CLC) 12

- ***Minimum of four (4) Grade 12 courses**

King George Secondary School Course Planning Form for Grade 8 to 9

Visit: King George Course Planning Guide

KING GEORGE SECONDARY SCHOOL
COURSE REQUEST FORM FOR

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Student #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

Student Email: _____

CURRENT GRADE 8 COURSES Check off the courses you are currently enrolled in.	GRADE 9 COURSE REQUESTS Check the courses you are requesting for Grade 9	
☐English 8 ☐English 8 Mini ☐ELL Reading 1 ☐ELL Writing 1 ☐ELL Reading 2 ☐ELL Writing 2	☐English 9 ☐English 9 Mini ☐ELL Reading 1 ☐ELL Writing 1 ☐ELL Reading 2 ☐ELL Writing 2	
☐Social Studies 8 ☐Social Studies 8 Mini	☐Social Studies 9 ☐Social Studies Mni	
☐Math 8 ☐Math 8 Mini	☐Math 9 ☐Foundations of Math and Precalculus 10	
☐Science 8 ☐Science Mini	☐Science 9 ☐Science Mini	
☐Physical & Health Education 8	☐Physical & Health Education 9 ☐Physical & Health Education 9 Mini	**ALTERNATE REQUESTS** Please choose 3 alternate electives in case the ones on the left are not available.
☐French 8 ☐Rise 8	Elective 1 _____	
☐Fine Arts 8 (Art/Drama/Music)	Elective 2 _____	
☐Applied Design 8 (Textiles /Computer Science/ Leadership / Tech Ed General)	Elective 3 _____	

I understand I will be given the courses required for graduation. However, elective courses will be offered according to the sign-up and how they fit my personal timetable, and I may not get my first choice of electives.

Student Signature: _____

COURSES PLANNING FOR GRADE 8 STUDENTS GOING INTO GRADE 9

Important points about course selection:

- Grade 9 students must take 8 courses at King George Secondary.
- Most grade 9 students choose three electives; one is typically a language course (note: a language course is NOT REQUIRED for graduation)
- If you were in a RISE class in grade 8, you can request to take it in Grade 9.
- Once you have chosen three preferred electives, please choose three alternate electives, in order of preference in case your first-choice electives are unavailable or will not fit into your timetable.

If you would like information about the Grade 9 electives, please read the full course descriptions in the Course Planning Guide on the school website under the Guidance and Support tab in the Resource Section.

ELECTIVE COURSES OPEN TO GRADE 9 ENROLMENT

Course Codes	Applied Design Skills & Technologies
YCCT-0C	Annual (Yearbook) Production 10
MADFS09	Foods 9
MADIT09	Information and Communication Technologies 9
MSTX-0A	Technology Exploration 10
MTXT-10	Textiles 10
MWWK-10	Woodwork 10
	Fine Arts
MAE--09	Art Junior 9
MVAPH10	Photography 10
MMU--09	Contemporary Music (Rock Band) 9
MMUCP11	Music Composition and Production 9
MDR--09	Drama 9
MDRTC10OFF	Theatre Company 10 (Off timetable)
MDRTC10OFF	Theatre Production 10 (Off timetable)
	Languages
MFR--09	French 9
MFR-10	French 10
	Student Supports
	RISE 9

Note: attached forms for reference. Forms will be shared during class presentations or see your counsellor.

ELECTIVES

ARTS

- Art Studio
- Photography
- ~~Dance~~
- Drama/Production/Directing
- Music/Band
- Theatre Company (off timetable)
- Theatre Production (off timetable)
- Yearbook Production (teacher permission)

APPLIED SKILLS

- Foods & Nutrition
- Textiles
- Woodwork
- Tech Education
- Computers Studies

➤ FRENCH 10

➤ Leadership 10 (off timetable)
  ➤ CS/Peer Tutoring

Junior Arts 9/10

This course works as an overview in the visual arts. Drawing, painting, ceramics, sculpture, printmaking, ink and illustrations are all focused on as projects.

Build your skills in a variety of media and styles through a project based course.

Senior Arts 11/12

This course is open to students of all skill levels and works as a transition to post-secondary arts and creative programs with regular opportunities with the Vancouver Art Gallery and with engaged projects with things such as screen printing, murals and more.

Photography 10-12

For grade 9 photography please select Photo 10.

This course works as an introductory course in working as a photographer using school equipment. Students are given a Adobe Creative Cloud license for the semester as well. Camera basics and techniques are taught along with Photoshop editing.

This is a mixed grade level course; students will be enrolled grades 9 through 12.

A senior component is available for engaged and mature students looking for further opportunities. Please check with Mr. Sinclair if you are curious.

Drama and Theatre

Drama 9-12
Develop your voice and movement skills to create dramatic works!
Students will participate in a variety of drama games, scene work and improvisation to improve their storytelling skills.
This course focuses heavily on participation, attendance, and group work
This is a mixed grade level course; students will be in enrolled grades 9 through 12.

Theatre Company 10-12

- Interested in becoming a part of the school play?

- This course is a linear (all year) off timetable course that occurs after school and can be taken by select grade 9s with teacher permission.

MUSIC ELECTIVES 2026 - 2027

Contemporary Music 9-12

- Develop your musical skills by playing in a band

- Work with your friends and choose music you would like to play

- Deepen your appreciation and understanding of Music

- Perform at KG Rocks in June

- Open to all skill levels and instruments

Woodworking 9-10

During the semester, we will learn how to use woodworking tools to make these projects:

BOXES WITH DRAWERS

MINI-SHELVES

CUTTING BOARDS

MINI-WHITEBOARD

BOWLS & JARS

FOLDING STOOL

Technology Exploration 9-12

During the semester, we will explore woodworking, metalworking, electronics, and robotics.

We change projects every year, but here are some projects we may do:

METAL CHEST OF DRAWERS

COPPER PIPE LAMP

SHELVING UNIT

DESK ORGANIZER

**MAKE YOUR OWN SUMO-ROBOT**

BLUETOOTH STEREO

TEXTILES 9 - 12

This course allows students the opportunities to learn and develop basic and advanced sewing skills. Students will select projects according to their sewing ability and individual preferences.

Some examples of projects you can make:
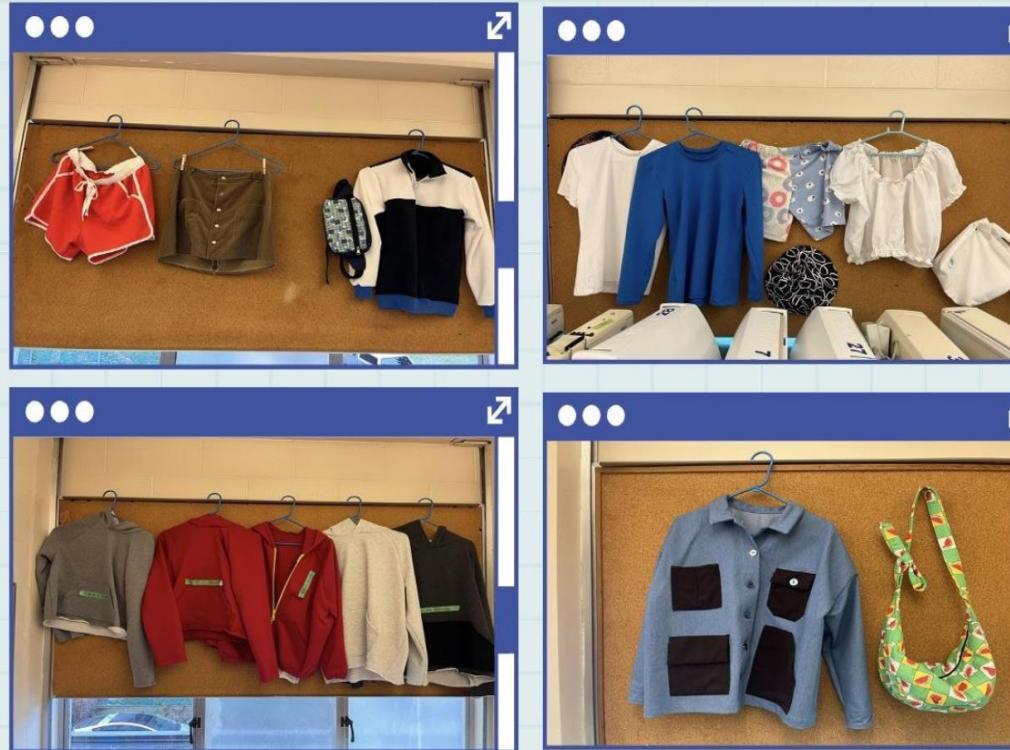
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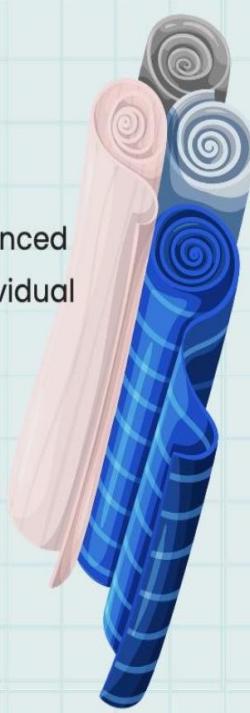
Computer Studies

Information and Communication Technologies 9

This introductory course develops foundational skills in game design, web development, UX design, and data science through hands-on projects using block coding and a basic introduction to HTML, CSS, and Python, while emphasizing ethical considerations in technology.

Computer Studies 10

Students will advance their programming skills in game design, web development, UX design, and data science by building on HTML, CSS, and Python, and introducing JavaScript, to create interactive web content and applications, applying an iterative design process and exploring the broader impact of technology.

Math Pathways
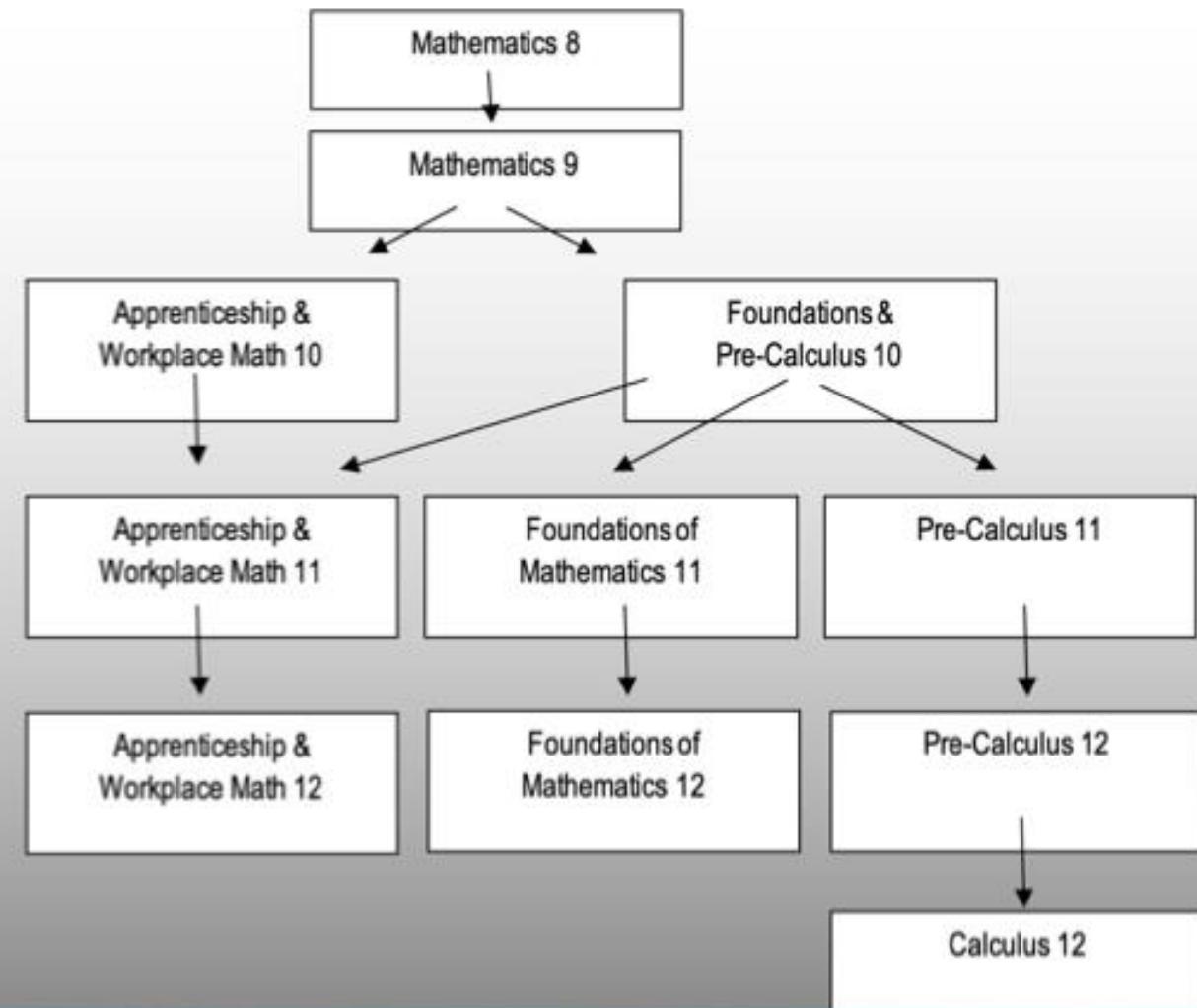
Career Life Education 10 (CLE)

- Career-Life Education 10 focuses on gaining a clear understanding of career-life development knowledge, skills, and strategies for life's journey into adulthood.

- This course is a 4-credit course and is in the timetable.

- CLE 10 is a graduation requirement

TREK PROGRAM
Prince of Wales

Admissions

INFORMATION
SESSION

REQUIREMENTS

PROCEDURES AND
TIMELINE

APPLICATION DETAILS

TREK held an information session for next school year on November 19, 2024.

Here is a link to the slide deck for the information session:

TREK
OUTDOOR
EDUCATION
PROGRAM

All of this information can be found on this website.

General details about the application process can be found on our Requirements and Procedures and Timeline pages. Application packages are available on our Application Details page.

Perspectives on the TREK Experience can be found on our Videos Page.

Grade 9 Students
Come Learn about TREK!

Want to hike, bike, kayak, rock climb, snowshoe and more?

Want to meet new friends from all around Vancouver?

Want to develop your leadership skills?

All in Grade 10?
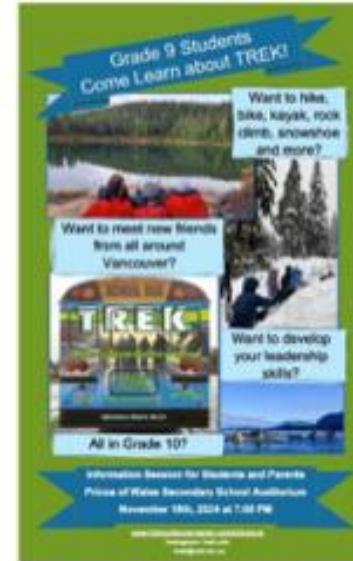
TREK PROGRAM LINK

External Language Credit

- If you attended school in another country in another language in:

- Grade 7= External Language Credit 10

- Grade 8=External Language Credit 11

- Grade 9= External Language Credit 12

CHALLENGE EXAM
Delta SD (January)

Students can write a challenge exam <u>once</u> for following languages:

February 1, 2025	February 2, 2025
Farsi 11	Farsi 12
French 11	French 12
Japanese 11	Japanese 12
Korean 11	Korean 12
Mandarin 11 (simplified)	Mandarin 12 (simplified)
Mandarin 11 (traditional)	Mandarin 12 (traditional)
Punjabi 11	Punjabi 12
Spanish 11	Spanish 12

APPRENTICESHIPS & TRADES

Youth WORK in Trades

Sep 20, 2024

SKILLEDTRADESBC

Earn while
you learn
before you
graduate from
high school

Combine high school instruction with paid, part-time, on-the-job training and receive credit towards apprenticeship and high school graduation.

Program Details

The Youth WORK in Trades program allows students to start their apprenticeship training while enrolled in Grade 10, 11 or 12.

- Earn up to 16 high school credits when a formal SkilledTradesBC agreement is signed by the employer, student, parent/guardian, and school district.
- Receive a Youth WORK in Trades certificate upon graduation.
- Must be employed in a recognized trade area.

Students considering an apprenticeship in a construction trade could contact careerprograms@vsb.bc.ca and ask to be enrolled in the BC Construction Safety Alliance *SiteReady* construction safety course. Instructions on completing the registration process for *SiteReady* are available here.

VSB-run program* – all information can be found here

*this is a program for grades 11 and 12 only, but applications can be submitted while in grade 10

APPRENTICESHIPS & TRADES

Apply in grade 10 or 11	Deadline: Feb 21st
Aircraft Maintenance Engineer	BCIT
- Automotive Collision Repair - Automotive Service Technician - Automotive Painting - Heavy Equipment Mechanic/Millright	VCC
Baking & Pastry Chef/Culinary Arts/Cook	VCC
Electrician	BCIT
Carpenter/Framer	BCIT
Plumbing/Piping	Trade Unions
Hairdressing	BCIT/VCC

MYED: Course requests

GRADE 8/9

- ▶ COUNSELLORS WILL INPUT COURSE REQUESTS IN MYED.

GRADE 10/11

- ▶ STUDENTS/PARENT/GUARDIANS INPUT COURSE REQUESTS IN MYED.

If require new MYED password reset, please contact: Ms. Grosso- egrosso@vsb.bc.ca

MyEd BC Portal

BRITISH COLUMBIA | MyEducationBC

- **Enter your course selections by Feb 21.**

- **Step-by-step MyEd Instructions**

- **Open for students Jan 21 to Feb 21**

- **If you can't login, *nicely* email Ms. Grosso:**
  - **egrosso@vsb.bc.ca**

MyEducation BC Prod

MyEducation BC Login ID

Request an account

MyEducation BC Password

Login Information   I forgot my password

Log On

Login using BC Services Card below

Enterprise

BCSC Production SSO   BC Services Card

LOCAL UNIVERSITY/COLLEGES

CAPILANO UNIVERSITY

BCIT

Vancouver Community College (VCC)

Emily Carr

DOUGLAS COLLEGE

LANGARA

KWANTLEN POLYTECHNICAL INSTITUTE

Additional course summaries…

ELECTIVES

ARTS

- **Art 9 & 10** ~ *Drama 9 and 10 includes many elements of Drama 8. They will continue to develop their voice and movement skills to create drama=c works both collaboratively and as an individual, using ideas inspired by imagination, inquiry, and purposeful play. Students will participate in a variety of drama games, scene work and improvisation to improve their storytelling skills. This course focuses heavily on participation, attendance, and group work. When there is opportunity, students will see and think critically about live theatre.*

ELECTIVES

ARTS

Photography 9 – 12 ~ *1000's of pictures are taken each day, but how do you make your image stand out and tell your perspective of what you just encountered? Do you ever wonder how photographers in National Geographic are able to make you think or feel differently just another looking at one image? This course is designed to give students a working knowledge of how the principles and elements of art and design are used within photography to tell a story. Photo-shoots will be assigned that challenge students to think about what they see in their environment and in turn, to create a dialogue with the viewer with their work. Understanding of a digital SLR camera will be reviewed along with skills needed to edit (Adobe Creative Suite), create Time-lapse videos, sequences and more. (This is a technical course that requires a focused and mature student.)*
(NOTE: A personal camera is not required for this course, cameras can be borrowed from the school.)

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ARTS

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ELECTIVES

ARTS

Music / Rock Band ~ *Have you ever wanted to be in a band? Does the idea of forming a group with your peers and learning music of your choice sound like fun to you? Then KG Rock Band is the place for you! Contemporary Music is a course designed around building musicianship through engagement with the music of your choice with peers of your choice. This course offers a less traditional approach to music learning, focusing more on learning by ear, chord reading, listening skills, and collaboration. This course is open to instrumentalists and singers with varying degrees of experience, from absolute beginners to expert rockers.*

ELECTIVES

APPLIED SKILLS

Foods Studies 9

~This is an introductory course which offers students a hands-on experience in a household kitchen. This course will focus on basic food preparation, safe kitchen practices, food choice and accessibility, and cooperative group work. Students will be learning skills that can be applied at home and be using ingredients they are familiar with.

ELECTIVES

APPLIED SKILLS

Information and Communication Technologies 9

~In Information and Communication Technologies 9, students will build foundational skills in game development, app design, web development, and data science. Students will create simple games, websites and applications using block coding, beginner-friendly languages, and drag-and-drop tools. They will learn technology design principles by planning, prototyping, testing, and refining their projects using various platforms. This hands-on approach fosters problem-solving skills and creativity. Ethical handling of information and discussions on the impact of technology, particularly in gaming and app development, will also be covered. This course is taught in a computer lab to support practical learning and development.