



GRADS OF 2025
GR 11 TO 12
COURSE SELECTION

COUNSELLORS ROLE IN COURSE PLANNING

Counsellors help students with their course selections and make timetables, but we are fairly neutral when it comes to recommending courses. It is better to talk to teachers, read the course planning book on our website and make an informed choice by doing research

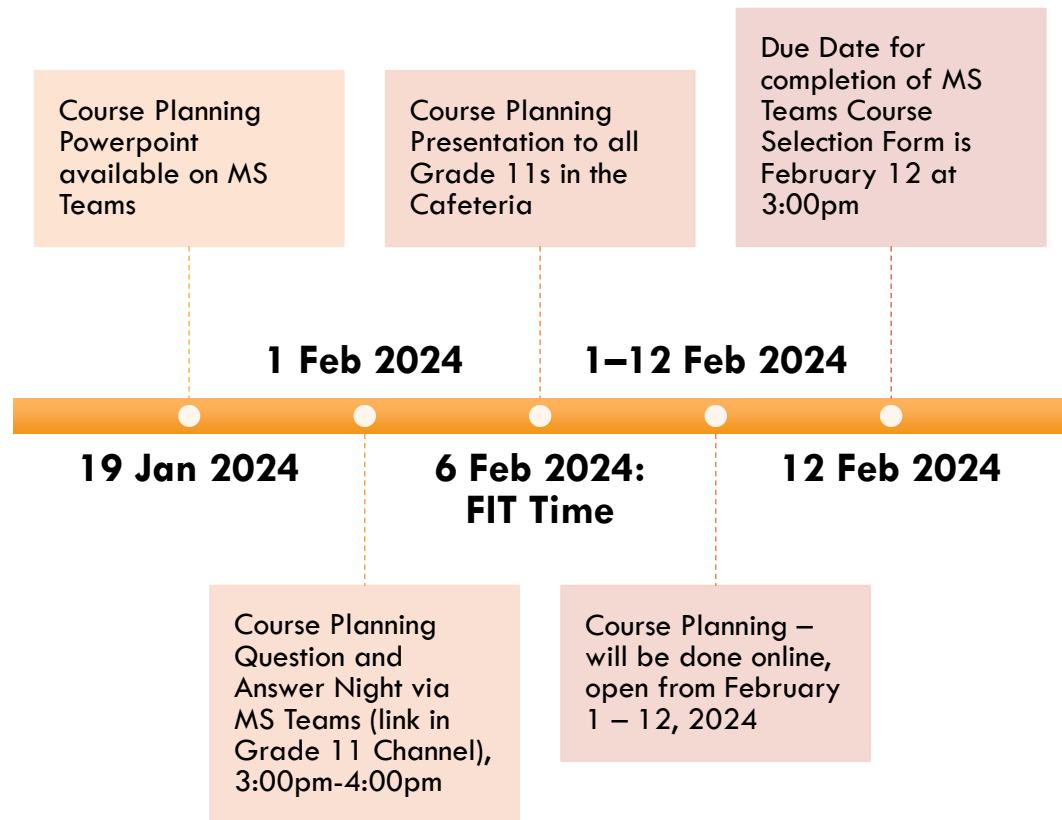


Counsellors will take all course requests from the MS Forms submissions



Students will get all **REQUIRED** courses needed for graduation

COURSE PLANNING 12



WHAT DO I NEED TO GRADUATE?

- 80 credits (most courses are 4 credits each)
- Hint: You need to pass the course to get the credits!
- 52 credits from the required grade 10-12 academic classes you will take, as well as CLE 10, CLC 11/12, and PHE 10.
- 28 credits from all your electives
- 4 credits of Indigenous-focused coursework
- electives, or vice versa
 - ** at least 16 credits must be at the grade 12 level (which includes your required English 12 class)

WHAT DO I NEED TO GRADUATE?

INDIGENOUS GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

- All Students must take 4 credits of Indigenous-focused coursework during their high school studies in order to qualify for graduation.
- For your particular grade you have must take at least one (1) of the following classes:
 - English First Peoples 12 (can replace English Studies 12) in Grade 12
OR
 - First Peoples Social Studies 12 (can be used as your Social Studies Grad requirement) in Grade 11 or 12
OR
 - English First Peoples 10

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADE 12 – ENGLISH AND SOCIAL STUDIES

- English 10 (Composition 10 and Literary Studies 10) or English First Peoples 10
- Literary Studies 11 or New Media 11
- English Studies 12
- Social Studies 10
- Social Studies 11 OR a Social Studies 12 (BC First Peoples 12 Law 12, History 12, Geography 12 or Economics 12)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADE 12 – MATH AND SCIENCE

- Any Math 10: Foundation of Math and Pre-Calculus 10 OR Workplace Math 10
- Any Math 11: Pre-Calculus 11/Foundations of Math 11/ Workplace Math 11
- Science 10
- At least 1 Science 11/12: Life Science 11/Chem 11/Physics 11/Environmental Science 12/Science for Citizens 11

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADE 12 – OTHER COURSES

- All students must have English Studies 12/English First Peoples 12 and at least 3 other Grade 12 courses
- PE 10 and Career Life Education 10 must be complete
- Career Life Connections 11 and 12 with a Capstone project must be complete by graduation in June of 2025
- One Fine Arts 10, 11 or 12 or Applied Design, Skills & Technologies 10, 11 or 12 course
- A total number of credits equaling 80 or more (each full year course is worth 4 credits once passed)
- Literary Assessments in Grade 10 and 12
- Numeracy Assessment in Grade 10



WHICH
ENGLISH
COURSE
DO I
TAKE?

- In Grade 12 everyone will take English Studies 12 OR English First Peoples 12 (both count towards graduation)

WHAT OTHER COURSES DO I TAKE?

- All students must have at least 3 additional Grade 12 courses (you can have more!) in order to graduate
- CLC 12 will be delivered off timetable as was CLC 11, this will automatically be entered on to your course selection **(There is no need to put this on your Course Selection form)**
- Select courses based upon your post-secondary plans whether you want to attend trades schools, college, or university

CAREER PROGRAMS/ TRADES

- If you think you may be interested in trying out a trade or career program, or simply want to learn more, you can chat with:
- Mr. Lee (generally)
- Mr. Hamilton (Tupper Tech)
- Chef. Regan (Chef program)
- Mark from VSB Career Programs [mreid@vsb.bc.ca 604.992.4963] (expert on all programs!)
- *Application deadlines for next years' programs usually are due on March 1 of the Grade 11 year. Please see Career Programs VSB for more details

VARIOUS YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES AND CAREER PROGRAMS OFFERED BY THE VSB

- Youth Train in Trades and Career Prep Programs

- Tupper Culinary Arts (12)
- Automotive mechanical and bodywork (12)
- Plumbing (12)
- Baking at VCC (12)
- CISCO Networking academy (11?/12)
- Tupper Tech (12)

CAREER LIFE CONNECTIONS 11/12

This is an Off timetable course that will be delivered in 2 parts. 1st portion in Grade 11 and the other in Grade 12.

Both CLC 11 and 12 are worth 2 credits each

These courses will be delivered during the school year with 6-10 assignments throughout the year

Students will be assigned to a teacher, to which they will submit their assignments



HOW SHOULD I DECIDE WHAT COURSES TO TAKE NOW TO GET INTO POST-SECONDARY LATER?

- Look at the admissions requirements for the various post-secondary spots where you're interested in going.
- See what courses they require you to have, and which ones are suggested, but optional.
- If you're confused, see me and, we can talk about where to find information

COLLEGE/ UNIVERSITY

- Research Degree and certificate programs.
- Research entrance requirements
- Open Enrollment University Transfer programs such as Langara College or Douglas College allow you to take your first 2 years of post-secondary school at the college level and transfer to a university for the final 2 years of your Bachelors degree

GRADE 12 COURSES NEEDED FOR DIRECT UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE



ENGLISH STUDIES
12/
ENGLISH FIRST
PEOPLES 12



PRE-CALCULUS 11
AND 12 (OR
FOUNDATIONS 12
DEPENDING ON
SCHOOL/FACULTY)



A LANGUAGE 11
(SCHOOL
DEPENDENT)



LIFE
SCIENCE 11/12 OR
CHEMISTRY 11/12
OR PHYSICS 11/12
OR
ENVIRONMENTAL
SCIENCE 12
(DEPENDING ON
SCHOOL/PROGRAM)



AT THIS TIME,
WORKPLACE MATH
AND SCIENCE FOR
CITIZENS DO NOT
LEAD TO DIRECT
ENTRY



SOME UNIVERSITIES
(UBC) WILL BE
LOOKING AT YOUR
LITERACY 12
ASSESSMENTS. UBC
IS CURRENTLY
REQUIRING THAT
THE APPLICANTS
SCORE A 3 OUT OF
4 ON THE
ASSESSMENT

COLLEGE PROGRAMS (UNIVERSITY TRANSFER PROGRAMS)



Apply early on in your Grade 12 year
(October 1)



Basic high school graduation requirements



Typically smaller classes



Tuition is less expensive



Can transfer in third year to university

WHAT IF I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WANT TO DO ?!

- Don't worry, it's ok if you don't have it all figured out.
- Think about the things you 'don't' want to do and use that as a starting point.
- People change their mind/ career path all the time---open yourself to new ideas/ opportunities, take some general classes to help you figure out a focus.



WHAT NOW?

Read the planners online

Talk to your
parents/guardians

Make individual appts
with your counsellor if
necessary

Talk to your teachers--
especially Youth Train in
Trades and Tupper Tech
hopefuls---research the
courses and make
informed choices.

See Ms. Ma about work
experience

If you have questions, I
want to HEAR FROM YOU
!!

COURSE PLANNING BOOK 2023-2024

- Can be found on the Tupper Website under Course Planning, go to:
- Tupper Website → Guidance and Support (top tab) → Course Planning → Course Planning Book 2023-2024

WHERE TO FIND COURSE PLANNING MATERIALS?

1. Tupper Website

The screenshot shows the Sir Charles Tupper Secondary School website. The header includes the school logo, name, and navigation links for Pay Fees, Translate, Login, and a search bar. A red navigation bar contains menu items: ABOUT US, FAMILIES, GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT (selected), EXTRACURRICULAR, TEACHING AND LEARNING, and COVID-19. A dropdown menu for GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT is open, listing various services, with 'Course Planning' highlighted in red. To the right, an 'Announcements' section lists items like 'Weekly Students Bulletin' and 'MyEd Login/Password Help'. Below the navigation is a banner for a student art video with the text 'Enjoy the student art video. Have a happy holiday!'. At the bottom, an 'Upcoming Events' section lists events for January 11, 12, and 13, 2022.

Date	Event
Jan. 11, 2022	FIT 1
Jan. 12, 2022 7:00 PM	PAC Meeting
Jan. 13, 2022	FIT 3

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/sir-charles-tupper/Guidance-and-Support/Course-Planning/Pages/default.aspx>

COURSE PLANNING PAGE ON TUPPER WEBSITE

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Sir Charles Tupper Secondary School website. The browser's address bar shows the URL: vsb.bc.ca/schools/sir-charles-tupper/Guidance-and-Support/Course-Planning/Pages/default.aspx. The website header includes the school's logo and name, "SIR CHARLES TUPPER SECONDARY SCHOOL", along with navigation links for "Pay Fees", "Google Translate", "Login", and a search bar. A red navigation bar contains the following menu items: "ABOUT US", "FAMILIES", "GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT", "EXTRACURRICULAR", and "TEACHING AND LEARNING". The main content area is titled "Guidance and Support" and "Course Planning". A left sidebar lists various resources, with "Course Planning" highlighted in red. The main text area features a date "Jan. 22, 2021" and a section titled "General Notes About Course Planning/Selection:". The text explains that course planning/selection is coordinated by the counselling department and begins in early February. It notes that course selections are due to the student's counsellors by February 19, 2021. A second paragraph states that course planning/selection is a very important tool used by the counselling department to help all students plan and set goals for their future education and careers. The amount of choice in a student's course selection is dependent on their grade level, and the number of choices, in the form of electives, will increase accordingly. During course selection, each student, with the assistance of their counsellor and parents, will plan and choose courses that

Home / Guidance and Support / Course Planning

Guidance and Support

- Career and Post Secondary
- Career Life Connections and Career Life Education
- Code of Conduct
- Student Threat Risk Assessment Protocol
- Course Planning**
- Core Competencies
- Numeracy Assessment
- Digital Citizenship
- Grad Info
- Multicultural Liaison Workers
- Scholarships Opportunities
- School Liaison Officer

Course Planning

Jan. 22, 2021

General Notes About Course Planning/Selection:

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Course Planning/selection is a very important tool that the counselling department uses to help all students plan and set goals for their future education and careers. The amount of choice in a student's course selection is dependent on their grade level. As students get older the number of choices, in the form of electives, will increase accordingly. During course selection each student, with the assistance of their counsellor and parents, will plan and choose courses that

ALL INFORMATION WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE ON MS TEAMS GRADE CHANNEL

The screenshot displays the Microsoft Teams interface. On the left, the navigation pane shows the current team as "Grade 11 @ Tupper Secondary" with a "General" channel selected. The main chat area shows a message from "Joseph O. Lee" at 9:02 a.m. on 2021-12-17, which is a file titled "YOU ARE SCHOLARSHIP MATERIAL" with a "GRADE 11" banner. Below this, a separator indicates "Today". Another message from "Joseph O. Lee" at 9:28 a.m. is titled "Course Planning Materials For Grade 12" and contains the text: "This will be the place to find all course planning materials that will be available by the third week of January. Please come back for more information in a couple of weeks!". The interface includes a search bar at the top, a "Meet" button, and a "New conversation" button at the bottom.



HOW DO I SUBMIT MY COURSE SELECTIONS?

- Once you've made your decisions and after consulting with your parents, you **MUST** complete the Course Selection Form on the Grade 11 MS Teams Channel

MS FORMS – COURSE SELECTION

LINK

- Click the link for your access to your Course Selection form [HERE](#)
- or use the QR code.

QR CODE



HOW YOUR SCHEDULE IS MADE

- Once everyone's courses are requested, we spend months building the timetable
- Factors that impact how the timetable is made: number of people requesting a course, teacher's work schedules, room availability, student support needs, and overall operating budget/staffing.

I'M IN GRADE 12, I GET PRIORITY IN ALL CLASSES RIGHT???

- Yes...kind of.
- Grade 12s will get priority to classes based upon their initial course selection requests that are made in February
- However, if you change your mind in September, then you will not be able to “bump” another student out of a class at that point and will go on to a waitlist

SCHOOL BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

- Students wanting to apply to SCHOOL BASED scholarships must be registered in a minimum of 7 classes at Tupper (online classes do not count, nor does CLC 11/12)
- All decisions on school based award winners are made through the Tupper Scholarship Committee

INFORMATION FOR OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS

- All information on scholarship opportunities will be presented on the Scholarship Channel in the Grade 12 MS Teams group
- Please have a look at this channel approximately once per week to see any and all scholarship opportunities

COMMON GRADE 12 FAQs

- Can I have a study block? Yes, all Grade 12 students that have enough credits to graduate are allowed to have one unsupervised study block
- Who is in charge of getting me into a post-secondary program? Students and their families are ultimately responsible for any and all post-secondary programs applications (including scholarships)
- Can I get a reference letter from the counsellor? Yes, Mr. Lee is able to write reference letters for most students. I'll need at least 2 weeks before your first reference letter and at least one week for any subsequent reference letters



MORE
QUESTIONS?

Please join us with your parents on Feb 1, 2024 at 3:00pm for our Course Planning Q + A night. This is just for the Grade 11s going into Grade 12

Contact Mr. Lee if you have any questions jolee@vsb.bc.ca