

## Course Planning Grade 10 to 11

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please be as accurate with your course requests as possible – the number of blocks allocated to the school for each class is based on these requests. As always, I will do my very best to accommodate all students' top choices, but I can be limited by space (especially with singleton classes) and scheduling anomalies which are out of my control. Be sure to give me many alternative options.

Note: All grade 11s are required to have a **FULL** timetable. Study Blocks are only available to Grade 12 students. You will notice that the amount of choice in course selection is HUGE by comparison to Grades 8-10! Please review the following information about the required courses for graduation. You need a minimum of **80 credits**:

|  |             |  |                |
|--|-------------|--|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Language Arts 10        | (4 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics 10              | (4 credits)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Language Arts 11        | (4 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics 11 or 12        | (4 credits)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Language Arts 12        | (4 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Education 10       | (4 credits)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies 10       | (4 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> CLE 10                      | (4 credits)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies 11 or 12 | (4 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> CLC 12 + Capstone           | (4 credits)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Science 10              | (4 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> Art or Applied Skills 10-12 | (4 credits)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Science 11 or 12        | (4 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> Elective Courses            | (28 credits) * |

\* Any class in addition to the required ones is considered an "elective course."

- A minimum of **16 credits** need to be at the grade 12 level.
- Indigenous Education Requirement: a minimum of **4 credits**

I am providing you with a list of courses that are available for you to request. Some courses have prerequisites; others do not. ALL grade 11 **academic** courses require the successful completion of the grade 10 level course.

More details about courses can be found on the school website under "**Guidance and Support**" > "**Course Planning**" and open the link **2026-2027 VanTech Course Planning Guide**.

You will need to do a bit of homework – post-secondary institutions don't always have the same course requirements for admissions and be sure to check both **general** admission requirements AND **program-specific** ones. For example, if you want to go into the Department of Sciences at UBC, the *general* admissions requirement is only English 12, but the *program* (Science) requirements are Chem 11, Physics 11, English 12, PreCalc 12 and one of Bio 12, Physics 12 or Chem 12. Just Google your post-secondary institution of choice and "undergraduate admission requirements".

If you are interested in taking any courses **online**, remember that this will be in *addition* to your 8 courses at Van Tech. Accommodations will not be made in your Van Tech classes because you are overwhelmed by your online work. You may not use instructional time to do online work. If you are unable to keep up with your Van Tech coursework, it will be strongly recommended that you withdraw from your online course to help alleviate the burden.

Remember, there can be exceptions, and this document is a **general guideline** that will apply to the majority of students. If you have a special accommodation, situation or (reasonable) request, please make an appointment to see Ms. Adele to discuss it confidentially.

Reminders:

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**NO TEACHER SHOPPING** – if there is a legitimate issue, you can make an appointment with Ms. Adele and discuss it confidentially. Otherwise, you get who you get, and you don't get upset!

**NO SECTION SWAPPING** – Again, if there is a legitimate issue, come see me. Wanting to be with a particular friend, not liking the time of day the class is in, or the order of your classes... too bad. I cannot fairly accommodate all section switch requests, so as a general rule, I will not make these changes.

**Required Courses** and your options – **ONE** from each section:

| Language Arts 11* (Language Arts 10)        | Mathematics 11   | Science 11* (Science 10)                  |
|---|--|---|
| New Media Film 11                           | Foundations of Math 11* (FMPC 10)  | Life Science (Biology) 11                 |
| Composition 11                              | PreCalc 11* (FMPC 10)  | Chemistry 11* (also take PC11 or FOM11)   |
| Creative Writing 11                         | Computer Science 11* (FMPC 10)   | Physics 11* (must do PreCalc 11)          |
| Literary Studies 11                         | Workplace Math 11* (Math 10)   | Science for Citizens 11                   |
| English First Peoples 11 🌟                  | <b>Mathematics 12</b>  | <b>Science 12</b>                         |
| <b>Language Arts 12* (Language Arts 11)</b> | Foundations of Math 12* (FOM11 or PC11)  |   |
|   | PreCalc 12* (PC11)   | Anatomy & Physiology (Biology) 12         |
| English Studies 12                          | Calculus 12* (PC12)  | Chemistry 12* (Chem 11)                   |
| English First Peoples 12 🌟                  | Statistics 12* (PC11 or FOM11)   | Physics 12* (Physics 11)                  |
| AP English Lit & Composition 12             | AP Calculus 12* (PC11)   | <del>Geology 12</del>                     |
| <b>Social Studies 11/12* (Socials 10)</b>   | AP Statistics 12* (PC11 or FOM11)  | <del>Astronomy 12</del>                   |
|   | Workplace Math 12* (Math 11)   | AP Biology 12* (Bio 12 same year)         |
| Asian Studies 12                            | <b>Career Life Connections (CLC) 12</b>  | <b>Program Specific Required Courses:</b> |
| BC First Peoples 12 🌟                       |  |   |
| Comparative Cultures 12                     | <b>Learning HUB Support Block:</b> available for students who have an IEP and require academic support. <b>NOT</b> credited. | <i>Summit</i> PreCalc 12 (in grade 11)    |
| Contemporary Indigenous Studies 12 🌟        |  | <i>Summit</i> CLC 12                      |
| Economic Theory 12                          |  | <i>Flex Humanities</i> New Media 11       |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> Century History 12         |  | <i>Flex Humanities</i> Philosophy 12      |
| Law Studies 12                              |  | FRIM Français Langue 11                   |
| Philosophy 12                               |  | FRIM Français Langue 12                   |
| Social Justice 12                           |  | (one of):                                 |
|   |  | FRIM Histoire du 20e Siècle 12            |
|   |  | FRIM Étude Autochthones 12 🌟              |
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🌟Indigenous Focus Courses

What is AP? **Advanced Placement Courses** are based on a first-year university curriculum, and if the student scores well on the final exam, may offer entry to second-year courses or credit for the first-year course. AP courses are more difficult than the regular grade 12 course – more material, higher level of detail and rigour. \*Charge of \$220 for the exam in May.

## Elective Options for Grade 11-12

| Fine Arts                     | Applied Skills               | Modern Languages  | Other   |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|
| Senior Band 11/12* (2+ yrs)   | Accounting 11/12             | French 11   | Psychology 11/12  |
| Jazz Band 11/12* (2+ yrs)     | Marketing 11                 | French 12   | Mental Health 11/12 OTT   |
| Orchestra 11/12* (2+ yrs) OTT | Entrepreneurship 12          | Intro Spanish 11  | Creative Writing 12   |
| Concert Choir 11/12 OTT       | Economics 12                 | Spanish 11  | Queer & Trans History 12 OTT  |
| Chamber Choir 11/12 OTT       | Retail Business 11/12 OTT    | Spanish 12  | History African Descent 12 OTT  |
| Vocal Jazz 11/12 OTT          | Computer Programming 11/12   | Intro Mandarin 11   | Active Living 11/12   |
| Art Studio 11/12              | Game Design 11/12            | Mandarin 11   | Fitness & Conditioning 11/12  |
| Ceramics 11/12                | Textiles 11/12               | Mandarin 12   | Fit & Conditioning Soccer 11/12   |
| 2D Studio Art 11/12           | Foods 11/12                  | <b>All Language classes have a pre-requisite except Intro</b> | Athlete Develop Volleyball 11/12  |
| Photography 11/12             | Culinary Arts 11/12          |   | Outdoor Education 11/12   |
| Indigenous Art 12             | Automotive Technology 11/12  |   | Yoga & Well-Being 11/12   |
| Video Production 11/12        | Drafting & Design 11/12      |   | Leadership 11/12 OTT  |
| Drama 11/12                   | Graphics & Media 11/12       |   | Library Studies 11  |
| Theatre Production 11/12      | Graphics Production YB 11/12 |   | Community Service 11*   |
| Theatre Company 11/12         | Metal Work 11/12             |   | Library Service 11* (Library St.)   |
| Direct & Screenwriting 11/12  | Art Metal & Jewellery 12     |   | Peer Tutoring 12* (on TT/off TT)  |
| AP Drawing 12                 | Robotics & Electronics 11/12 |   | <b>*Do not choose these at this point.<br/>Requires specific teacher sign-off</b> |
| AP Photography 12             | Woodwork 11/12               |   |   |
|                               | Wood Furniture/Cabinetry 12  |   |   |

**Course Selection Form**

Grade 10 → Grade 11

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Goals:**

My post-secondary goal is to study \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.

Even if you are not 100% sure, please give me an idea of what your post-secondary goals/plans are so I can help support your course choices to reflect that. Again, be sure to research institution AND program requirements.

| First Choice      | Back Up 1 | Back Up 2 | Back Up 3 |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. Language Arts  |           |           |           |
| 2. Science        |           |           |           |
| 3. Social Studies |           |           |           |
| 4. Mathematics    |           |           |           |

| List On-Timetable Electives in Order of Importance: |     |     |     |
|---|-----|-----|-----|
| 1.  | 2.  | 3.  | 4.  |
| 5.  | 6.  | 7.  | 8.  |
| 9.  | 10. | 11. | 12. |

*If you really want a particular social or science class as your elective and have already put it as a backup in the previous section, that's OK! Put it here as well, in the order of preference.*

|                           |    |    |    |
|---------------------------|----|----|----|
| Off-Time Table (Optional) | 1. | 2. | 3. |
|                           | 4. | 5. | 6. |

Planning on taking any classes in Summer School? Language Challenge Exam? Online?

Are you interested in pursuing a career in one of the following fields?

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|--|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Aircraft Maintenance Engineer  | <input type="radio"/> Healthcare Assistant         |
| <input type="radio"/> Auto Collision and Refinishing | <input type="radio"/> Heavy Mechanical Trades      |
| <input type="radio"/> Auto Service Technician        | <input type="radio"/> IT & CISCO Networking        |
| <input type="radio"/> Baking & Pastry Arts           | <input type="radio"/> Millwright                   |
| <input type="radio"/> Carpentry                      | <input type="radio"/> Motorcycle & Power Equipment |
| <input type="radio"/> Cook                           | <input type="radio"/> Metal Fabrication            |
| <input type="radio"/> Early Childhood Education      | <input type="radio"/> Painting & Decorating        |
| <input type="radio"/> Electrical                     | <input type="radio"/> Plumbing                     |
| <input type="radio"/> Hairdressing                   |  |

☐ YES

☐ NO

If you answered “YES”, please note which programs you are interested in below, and I will let you know about some interesting options we may have for you!

I'm interested in...

If your form is **unclear/illegible** or **incomplete**, you risk being placed in a class you do not want, and by the time the schedule is made, the course(s) you want might be full.

Please understand that due to scheduling restrictions and the number of requests, you might not get all of your elective choices. Make sure you identify backup choices. Ms. Adele will always try to get you your first choices, but may not be able to accommodate your request. Thanks for understanding.

*Please go over your child's course selection and discuss their choices concerning their needs, future aspirations, and preferences with them. Once you have talked it over, please sign below.* If you missed our course planning info night, please find the video recording and slides posted on the school website under “Guidance and Support” > “Course Planning”.

*\*\*Keep the information page for your reference; hand in your completed and signed **yellow** paper only\*\**

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

RETURN COMPLETED AND SIGNED FORM TO YOUR SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

IF LATER THAN THIS DATE, SUBMIT DIRECTLY TO MS. ADELE IN HER OFFICE ASAP.