



2026 -  
2027

Kits Senior Course  
Planning Parent  
Night

Welcome Parents!

*With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Nation), Sḵwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səl̓ílwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation).*



# Indigenous Acknowledgement

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Grade 11

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Grade 10



# Gr.10, 11, 12

## What do you need to Graduate?

- ▶ **80 credits total** (4 credits per successful course)
  - 52 required Gr. 10-12 credits (13 courses).
  - 28 elective credits (7 courses), including an ADST or Fine Arts Education course.
- ▶ **4 Gr. 12 courses** (Including an English 12 & CLC 12)
- ▶ Provincial Literacy/Numeracy **Assessments**
- ▶ An **Indigenous focus course**
- ▶ Note: Additional credits can be earned through BC Ministry of Education External Credit Programs



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This is a bilingual school. Please use English or French.  
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Career Life Education 10				4
Career Life Connections & Capstone				4
a Language Arts 10				4
a Language Arts 11				4
a Language Arts 12				4
a Math 10				4
a Math 11 or 12				4
ian Arts Education or Applied Design, Skills & Technology 10, 11, or 12				4
a Social Studies 10				4
a Social Studies 11 or 12				4
a Science 10				4
a Science 11 or 12				4
Physical and Health Education 10				4
<b>TOTAL REQUIRED CREDITS - One Indigenous Focus course is required for all 2024+ graduates.</b>		<b>ELECTIVE CREDITS</b>		<b>52</b>
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<b>OVERALL CREDITS</b>				<b>80</b>
Numeracy Assessment 10				
Literacy Assessment 10				
Literacy Assessment 12				
Evaluation de littératie de la 12 e année - Français langue seconde-immersion				

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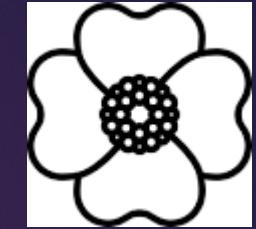
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# French Immersion Dual Dogwood



To graduate with both diplomas, F.I. students must meet the graduation requirements for the Dogwood Diploma, and of these 80 credits, they must earn:

Français langue seconde-immersion 10, 11, and 12

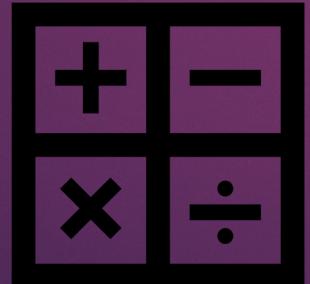
Minimum of 12 credits (3 courses) in Grade 11, or 12 courses that are in French Immersion.

Grade 12 French Immersion Literacy Assessment

### English 11

### Math 11

- ▶ Pre-Calculus 11
- ▶ Workplace Mathematics 11
- ▶ Could take Foundations Math 11 online through VLN.



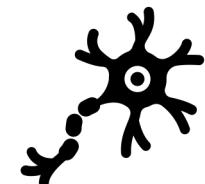
- ▶ Creative Writing 11
- ▶ Literary Studies 11
- ▶ New Media 11



- ✓ English, Math, Science, and Social Studies are required for Gr.11.
- ✓ Please refer to the Course Planning Guide for course descriptions.

## Science 11

- ▶ Earth Science 11
- ▶ Chemistry 11
- ▶ Life Sciences 11
- ▶ Physics 11



## Social Studies 11/12

- ▶ Exploration en Sciences Humaines et Sociales 11 (French Immersion)
- ▶ Études Autochtones Contemporaines 12 (FI Contemporary Indigenous Studies 12)
- ▶ 20th Century World History 12
- ▶ Comparative Cultures 12
- ▶ Contemporary Indigenous Studies 12
- ▶ Law 12
- ▶ Philosophy 12



# Gr.12 Core Academics

## Options

### Social Studies 11/12

- ▶ Exploration en Sciences Humaines et Sociales 11 (French Immersion)
- ▶ Études Autochtones Contemporaines 12 (FI Contemporary Indigenous Studies 12)
- ▶ 20th Century World History 12
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- ▶ Philosophy 12

### Science 12

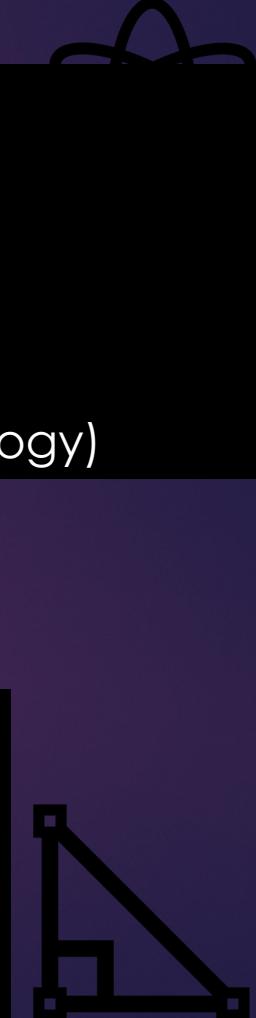
(A science 11 or 12 is Required)

- ▶ Anatomy and Physiology 12
- ▶ Chemistry 12
- ▶ Geology 12
- ▶ Physics 12
- ▶ Specialized Science 12 (Kinesiology)

### Mathematics 12

(A Math 11 or 12 is Required)

Workplace Math 11  
Pre-Calculus 11 and 12  
Calculus 12



## Gr.12 Core Academics (Mandatory)

### English 12

Choices:  
English First Peoples 12  
English Studies 12  
English Studies 12 – Enriched

- ✓ English 12 is required for Gr.12.
- ✓ Please refer to the Course Planning Guide for course descriptions.
- ✓ AP Psychology 12 and Creative Writing 12 are electives and do not fulfil the English 12 graduation requirement.



- **Indigenous Focus Course (mandatory)<sup>12</sup>**

Each student must graduate with one:

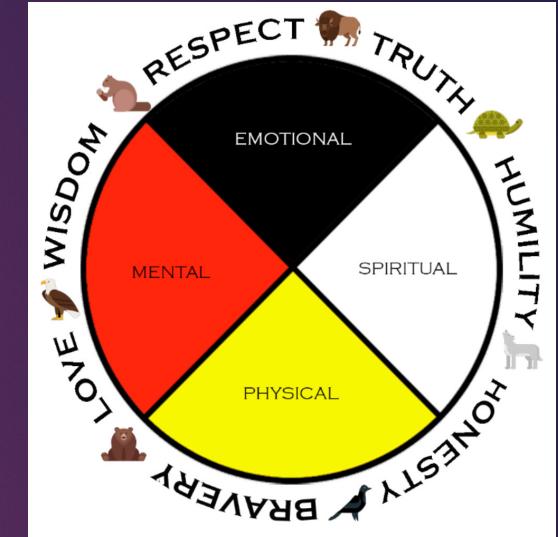
Grade 10 English First Peoples

Grade 12 Contemporary Indigenous Studies

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Grade 12 Études Autochtones Contemporaines 12

(FI Contemporary Indigenous Studies 12) can be taken instead or in addition to Exploration en Sciences Humaines et Sociales 11)



- "Skills" blocks will now be called Learning Hub blocks
- There will no longer be credits given for these blocks
- Students won't be able to choose these blocks on MyEd. They can write it on their course request form and note which of their 8 courses chosen in MyEd they'd like to be replaced by the Hub block.
- Inclusive Education department decides which students get a block.

# Career Life Connections 12

- ▶ Career Life Connections 12 is a graduation requirement. At Kits students take this off timetable, online course in grade 11. This course is mainly taught through Microsoft Teams so please make sure your TEAMS account is up to date.
- ▶ CLC 12 includes: some online assignments, the Capstone Project and the 30 hours of volunteer/work experience.
- ▶ Students take CLC 12 for half of a semester, so they should be sure to double check their timetable as soon as they receive it, so they know when they are registered for the course.
- ▶ Grade 12 students – if you were successful in CLC in grade 11, you do not need to take it again in grade 12

The [Course Planning Guide](#) is a great source of information about courses.

- ▶ Research and pick courses carefully as the timetable is built around student choices and if your child changes their mind, we might not be able to make changes to their schedule. Please note that it is a school policy that we are NEVER able to make course changes due to teacher preference.
- ▶ Don't forget to choose ALTERNATES carefully! (Indicating only 1 choice does not guarantee that students will receive that top choice.)
- ▶ Some courses are auto-loaded.
  - ▶ French Immersion Language 11 and 12
  - ▶ CLC for Gr.11 students as 9<sup>th</sup> course \*off-timetable

# Reminders about course change policy:

- ▶ School policy is **there are no course changes due to teacher preference or to be/not be with certain peers.**
- ▶ A student choosing a class in MyEd means they are accepting whatever teacher they get placed with. They can't change their schedule in September because of a teacher. They will not be able to drop a class they requested and got into to take it online. Consider this carefully when requesting classes.
- ▶ Please do not make requests to counsellors to have or not have certain teachers. We cannot fulfill these requests. Our role is to help students work with the teachers they get and develop resilience, not to change their teachers for them.
- ▶ Schedule changes in September will be done in priority order: many changes will be not possible due to full classes, and we will likely only get to high priority changes such as missing graduation and post-secondary requirements.

# Summer School Plans?



Students must give their counsellor a Summer School Letter of Intent form, along with their Course Planning forms (forms available in the counselling suite and will be posted to Teams and on the Kitsilano Website under Guidance and Support => Course Planning)

Students who plan to take summer school are advised to sign up as soon as Summer Learning registration opens, as spots fill up quickly. If you do not get in, please sign up for the waitlist. Summer School information is NOT published until late April or Early May.

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5211/summer-learning>

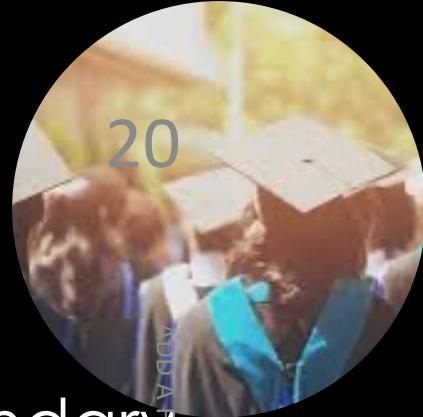
# Summer School Continued

- ▶ **Completion courses** – these are courses that cover the entire curriculum of the course in 5 weeks.
- ▶ If a student takes a Completion course and is dissatisfied with their final grade, we do not have space at Kits to upgrade. If they want to improve their final mark, they will need to take the class online or at Summer School next summer.
- ▶ **Remedial classes** – these are for students who did not meet with success in a course required for graduation. Students can take these courses to earn graduation credit. The maximum grade a student can earn is 65%.

# What Courses Should They Take?

- What are they interested in? Look at their passions and their talents.
- What will challenge them? What can they realistically handle?
- What do they need to:
  - A) Graduate?
  - B) Get into the post secondary program of their choice?





# Planning for Post-Secondary

Senior student program planning should include post-secondary research. Some excellent resources for this are:

- Education Planner BC: [www.educationplannerbc.ca](http://www.educationplannerbc.ca)
- Individual post-secondary websites.
- *Students and families are responsible for doing this research. We have planning tools for students to use. Please see your grade counsellor.*
- *Graduation requirements are not the same as program admission requirements.*

# EducationPlannerBC:

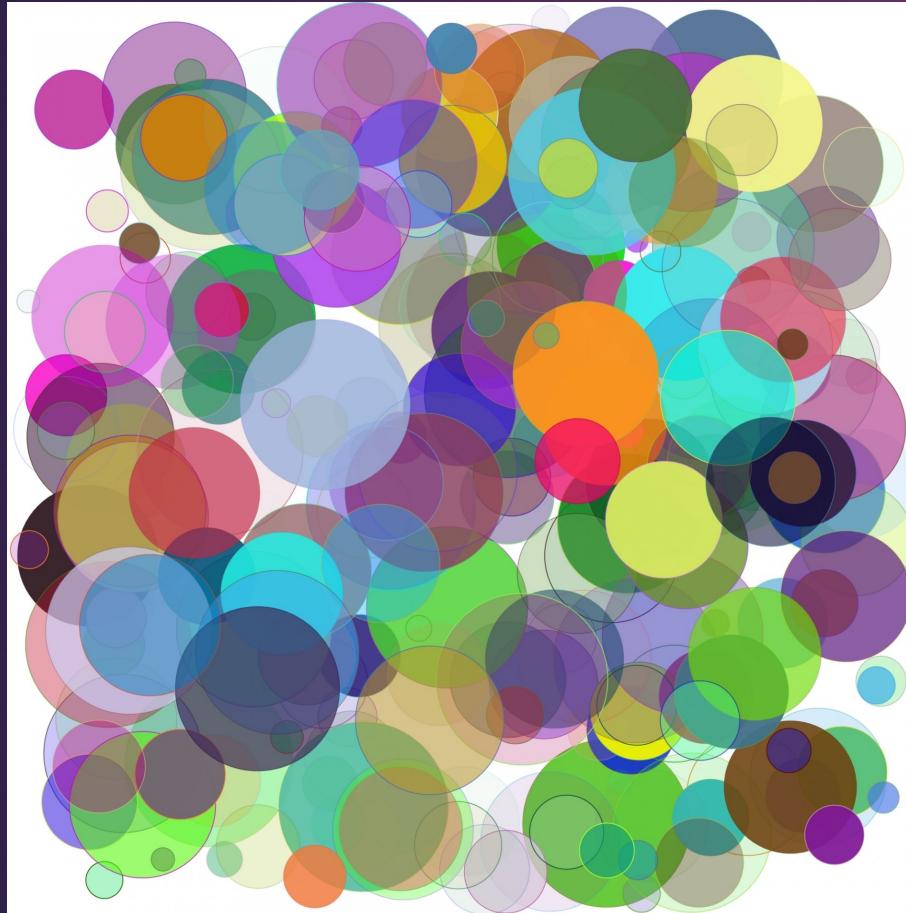
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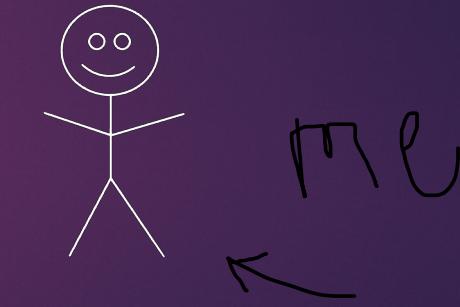
EducationPlannerBC

- ▶ Students can sign up for an account now
- ▶ Use an email address that they will keep (not a VSB one)!
- ▶ Investigate post-secondary programs & options. Research careers. Guide them in choosing Grade 11 & 12 classes
- ▶ They need an EducationPlannerBC account to apply for many post-secondary institutions in BC

We will help, but counsellors cannot do the research for you



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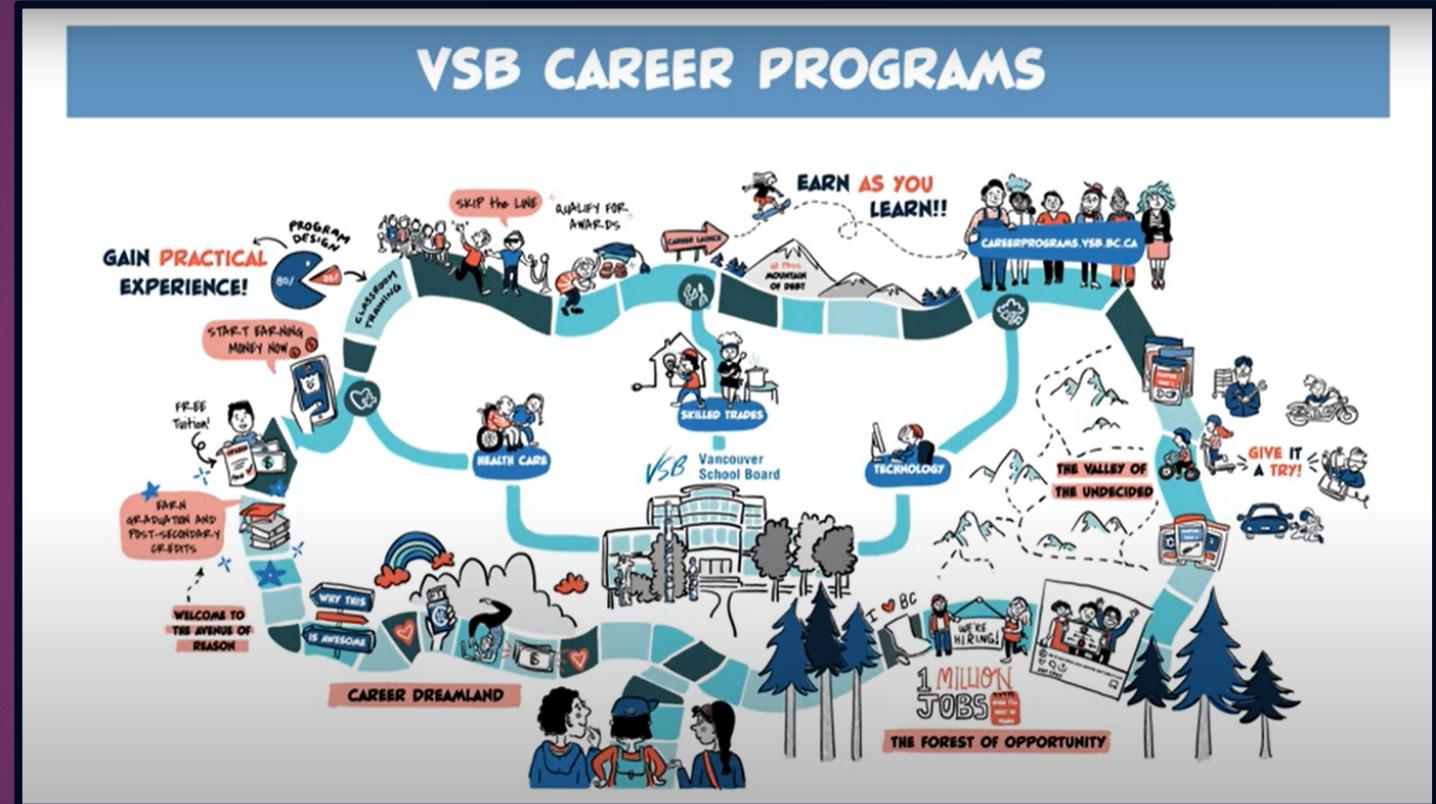


# Career Programs

Interested in a Skilled Trade?

- ▶ Program offerings
- ▶ Apprenticeships
- ▶ Work Experience Course
- ▶ Job Training

Applications are due March 1st  
See your Grade Counsellor for  
more information.



[Link: Career Programs Website](http://CAREERPROGRAMS.VSB.BC.CA)

# Helpful Sites:

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- ▶ [Kitsilano Course Planning Guide](#) – Courses offered next year
- ▶ Kitsilano Gr. 11 TEAMS – School based resources
- ▶ Kitsilano Gr. 12 TEAMS – School based resources
- ▶ [Ministry of Education BC](#) – Graduation requirements
- ▶ [Education Planner BC](#) – Search, applications, information, scholarships
- ▶ [Student Transcripts Services](#) – check assessment results, send official transcripts to post-secondary institutions, view transcript.
- ▶ WAAG – Week at a Glance on the Kitsilano website – this includes updated scholarship opportunities for Grade 12 students each week!

# Tips & Timeline:

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You've got this!

1. Set aside time to do some research and course planning
2. Know the requirements of various post-secondary programs of choice
3. Enter courses into MyEd BC by **February 6<sup>th</sup> - deadline**  
\* Your child can come **for extra help during FIT blocks on January 29th and February 3rd in the counselling suite.**
4. Fill out the course planning forms and return to your grade counsellor by **February 6<sup>th</sup>**

Students can access a post-secondary planning package on the Kitsilano Website under Guidance and Support → Course Planning → Post Secondary planning package.

# My Education BC:

- ▶ Students should make sure they can access their MyEd BC Account in advance.

HINT: The MYED BC website works better on a computer than a mobile device.

- ▶ See the Kits website for MyEd help: <https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5038>
  - First Time Logging On
  - Resetting a Password / Enabling a Disabled Account
  - Changing Your Email
  - Changing Your Security Question or Password
- ▶ If you are still having difficulty after referring to these documents, contact the Kits Switchboard: [kitsswitchboard@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:kitsswitchboard@vsb.bc.ca). Do NOT email your counsellor as we are not able to change or update passwords for you.

Thank you for coming!



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