

Prince of Wales Secondary

Grade 12
Course Selection
Presentation

Grads of 2027





LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Sk̓wxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səlilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh Nation).



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(Tsleil-Waututh Nation)

Course Selection

Schools are staffed and time-tabled according to student course requests in January and February.

Only those courses with sufficient student requests will be available.

Please choose your courses carefully as there is little flexibility once the timetable is built!

Course Selection

Grade 12 students are expected to take 7 courses at PW + CLC

PW scholarship eligibility is based on taking 7 courses at PW



The B.C. Certificate of Graduation: Dogwood Diploma

- Complete a total of 80 credits - each course is 4 credits
- 52 credits are required from the following:
 - Physical and Health Education 10
 - Science 10 and a Science 11 or 12
 - Social Studies 10 and a Social Studies 11 or 12
 - A Math 10 and a Math 11 or 12 course
 - A Language Arts 10, 11, and 12 course
 - An Arts Education 10, 11, or 12 **and/or** an Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies 10, 11, or 12
 - Career-Life Education 10 and Career-Life Connections 12
 - Indigenous-focused course
- At least 28 credits must be elective course credits
- At least 16 credits must be at the Grade 12 level, including a required Language Arts 12 course and the Career-Life Connections course



Graduation Check List

The Road to Graduation



REQUIRED COURSES in Grade 10:

1. English 10
2. Social Studies 10
3. Science 10
4. Math 10
5. PE 10
6. CLE 10
7. 2 elective courses

REQUIRED COURSES in Grade 11:

1. English 11
2. Social Studies 11 or 12
3. A Science 11
4. A Math 11
5. 4 Elective courses



Required Courses in Grade 12

English Studies 12 or
English First Peoples 12

2 other Grade 12 courses

Everything else is a choice

CLC 12 (completed off-
timetable)

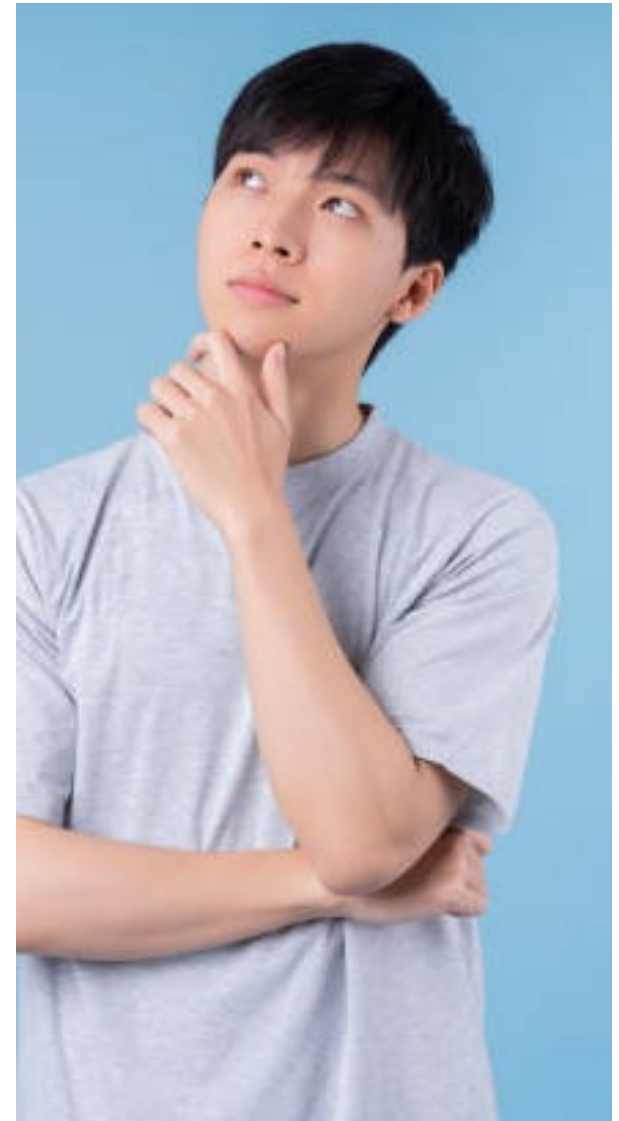
Course Choices

Dropping courses is problematic

If you don't like your mark, ask for help

Remember breadth and rigour count

You need good marks to get into university
but, you need the skills to stay there





Course Choices

Online courses

- Check post-secondary dates for online course completion

Repeated classes

- Cannot repeat at PW
- Upgrade online or summer school, highest mark is reflected on transcript

Course Selection

Talk to your Teachers,
Counsellor, parents and friends

Read the course descriptions in
the Course Planning Guide on
the website

Make sure to consider
graduation requirements and
your post-secondary plans



Course Planning Guide

Found on PW website under Guidance and Support tab

or download [here](#)

The screenshot shows a web page with an orange header. On the left is a navigation menu with a 'Guidance and Support' dropdown menu expanded, showing various links including 'Course Planning'. The main content area has an orange title 'Course Planning' and a date 'Jan 20, 2026'. Below this is the section 'Course Planning Guide' with a text prompt to download a PDF, a link to the 'PW Course Planning Guide 2026-2027', and a list of links for grade-specific course planning schedules (Grades 8, 9, 10, and 11). At the bottom, there is a section for 'Course Planning Presentations' with a note about updates.

Guidance and Support ▾

- Anti-Racism Policy and Procedures
- ERASE/Anonymous Reporting Tool
- Student Transcripts
- Career and Post Secondary
- Code of Conduct
- Student Threat-Risk Assessment (VTRA)
- Course Planning
- Digital Citizenship
- Graduation Transition
- Multicultural Liaison Workers
- School Policies and Procedures
- School Store (PE and Athletic Wear)
- Student Records
- Student Safety
- Severe Weather

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Course Planning

Jan 20, 2026

Course Planning Guide

To view the Course Planning Guide please download the PDF below:

[PW Course Planning Guide 2026-2027](#)

Here are the [Instructions for Student Online Course Selection in MyEd](#) (how to select your courses for next year in MyEd).

[Grade 8 \(Grads of 2030\) Course Planning Schedule](#)

[Grade 9 \(Grads of 2029\) Course Planning Schedule](#)

[Grade 10 \(Grads of 2028\) Course Planning Schedule](#)

[Grade 11 \(Grads of 2027\) Course Planning Schedule](#)

Further information has been posted to the grade specific TEAM. Please view this with your child.

Course Planning Presentations

The presentations and course selection sheets below will be updated after the information sessions here at school.

Grade 12 English Choices

Graduation Requirement

English Studies 12

English First Peoples 12

English Studies 12 Mini

English Electives

Creative Writing 12



Grade 12 Social Studies Choices



20th Century World History 12

Contemporary Indigenous Studies 12

Economic Theory 12

Human Geography 12

Law Studies 12

Transitional Social Studies

Queer & Trans History of BC (District OT)

African Descent History In BC 12 (District OT)

Grade 12 Science Choices

- Anatomy & Physiology 12
 - Chemistry 11/12
 - Earth Science 11
 - Life Science 11
 - Physics 11/12
 - ELL Science
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- Students may take more than 1 Science
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- Chemistry and Physics 11 + 1 or 2 Grade 12 Science classes are required for most Science or Engineering programs



Math Choices

Pre Calculus 12

Calculus 12

AP Calculus 12

Foundations of Math 11*

No Math

- Pre-Calculus 12 and Calculus 12 may be done concurrently
- Pre-Calculus 12 must be done **before** AP Calculus



Grade 12 Electives

Round out your course schedule
with electives

Choose courses that will meet the
post-secondary requirements for
your program of choice

Add in electives of interest



Electives

Business
Education

Technical
Education

Home
Economics

Computers

Fine Arts

Music

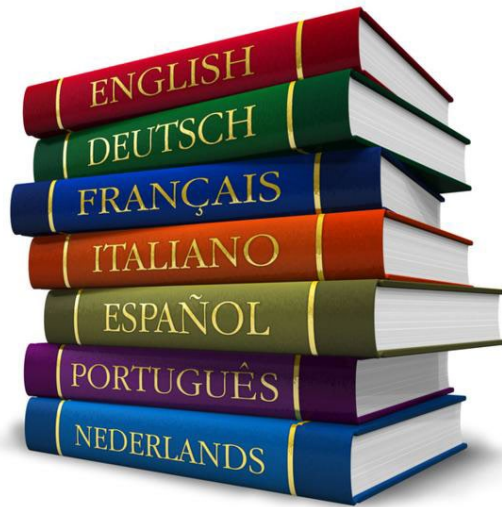
Performing
Arts

P.E.

Languages

- Consider Off Timetable electives
- Choose your electives carefully
- Some electives considered “academic”





Language Electives

French 11/12

Spanish 11/12

Beginner Spanish 11

A 2nd language is not required for graduation

A 2nd language is not required for university admission.

A 2nd language is considered “academic”

ELL students may be eligible for a Language 10, 11, or 12 credit.

Skills or GOLD Support

Skills 12 or GOLD 12 – for students who have taken these classes in previous years

Skills 12 + GOLD 12 classes are each worth 4 credits



ELL Students Beginner or Intermediate

Sign up for ELL courses you are currently in

ELL teachers advise Counsellors on your required ELL classes

Assessments in May and September will determine placement



External Credits

Challenge exams (Languages)

Music / Dance

Youth Leadership

Sports

First Aid

ICBC Driver Training

Cadets





CAREER
PROGRAMS

www.vsb.bc.ca/Career-Programs



**VSB Career
Education**

Youth WORK in Trades Program

Youth TRAIN in Trades Program

SKILLED**TRADES**^{BC}



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

Youth WORK in Trades Program

Start your apprenticeship training while in Grade 10, 11 or 12.

Earn up to 16 high school credits

VSB Career Programs

For students who are passionate about working with their hands, seeing the results of their efforts, and are creative problem solvers

Provides students with career training in skilled trades, health care and technology sectors while attending high school

Why Choose a Career Program?

- Get free tuition for the first level of a post secondary program
- Earn dual credits – high school and post-secondary credits concurrently
- Work experience in chosen career path
- Explore career opportunities
- Build skills that can transition into paid work



[Aircraft Maintenance Engineer](#)

[Automotive Collision and Refinishing Technician](#)

[Automotive Service Technician](#)

[Baking and Pastry Arts](#)

[Carpentry](#)

[Cisco and IT Networking](#)

[Early Childhood Educator](#)

[Electrical](#)

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[Metal Fabricator](#)

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[Motorcycle Technician](#)

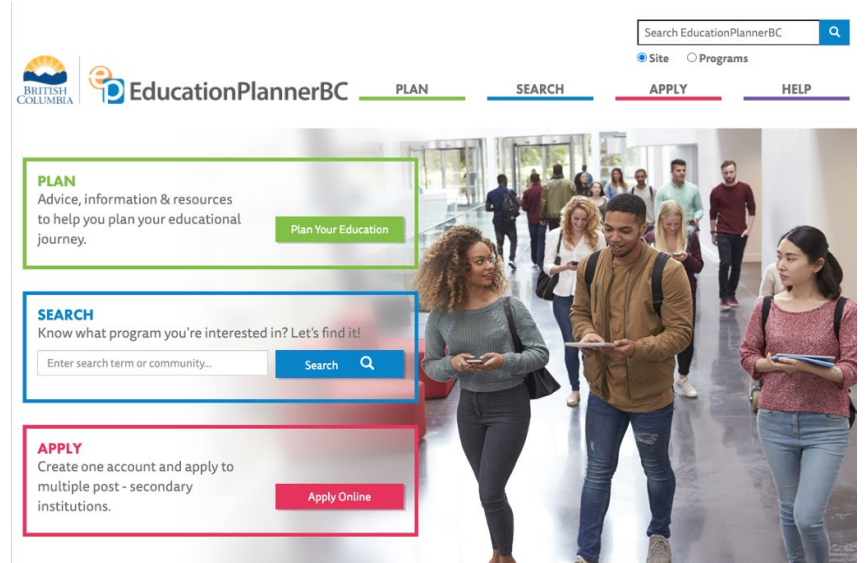
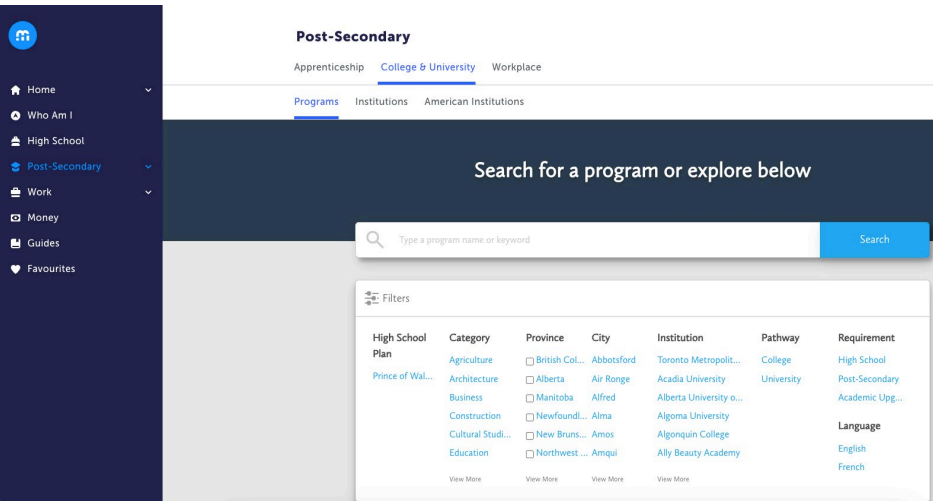
[Painting and Decorating](#)

[Plumbing and Sprinklerfitting](#)

[Professional Cook 1](#)

[Trades Discovery](#)

[Tupper Tech Explore Trades Sampler](#)



Post-Secondary Research

To research and explore post-secondary pathways and entrance requirements check out these websites.

myblueprint.ca

educationplannerbc.ca

Student Transcript Service

As you approach graduation, the Students Transcript Service (STS) page becomes important.

- It's where you submit your marks for post-secondary and track your grad status.
- It's where you can check on your Numeracy and Literacy assessment results.
- It shows COMPLETED courses that you have PASSED.
- It only shows your BEST mark if you have taken a class more than once.

Student Transcript Service is now linked through a BCeID.

- To create a Basic BCeID account click [HERE](#)
- To log in to your BCeID account click [HERE](#).
- These are helpful because you'll use a BCeID for other things after graduation.
- You'll need your PEN, which is on your report cards or on MyEd under My Info tab.

Click [HERE](#) for a YouTube video on getting set up.

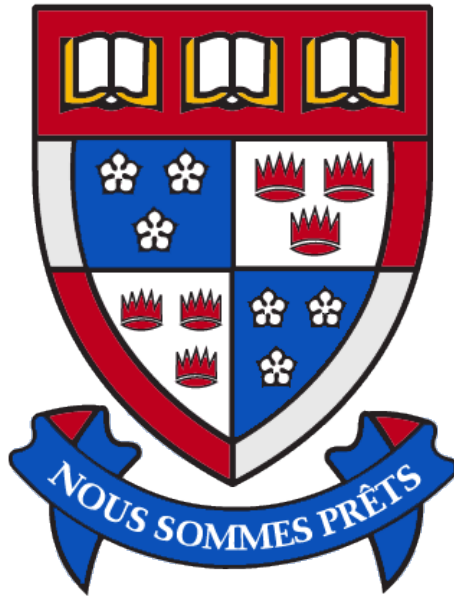
Post – Secondary Information

Please check specific college
& university requirements

Science and Engineering
programs typically require
Chemistry 11 and Physics 11

Many Business programs
recommend Calculus 12





University Second Language Requirements

There is no longer a
second language
requirement for
university admission in
Canada

Post- Secondary Information

Required Grade 11 Courses:

- English 11
- Pre-Calculus 11
- Science 11 – Biology, Chemistry, Physics or Earth Science
- Social Studies 11 or 12
- Check university websites for program specifics
- Universities use Grade 11 marks until Grade 12 marks are available





UBC – Vancouver

Holistic approach to competitive academic assessment

Courses required for admission to specific programs

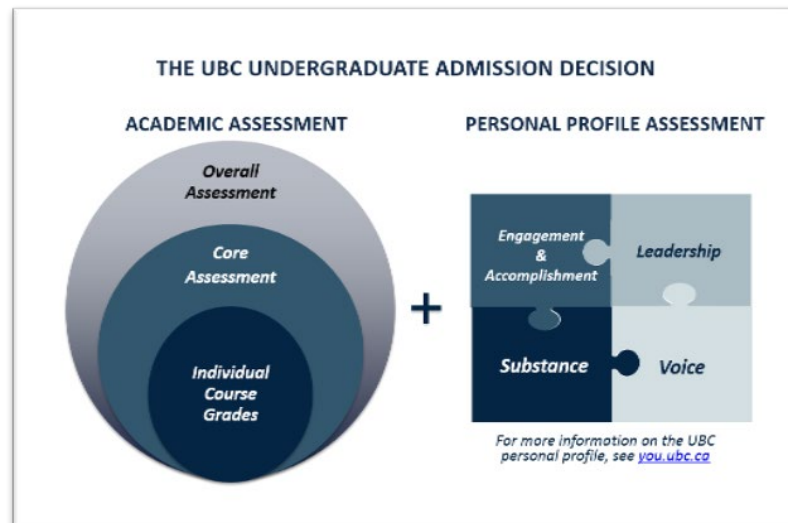
All courses in Grade 11 and 12 will be considered in admission

Particular attention paid to courses relevant to program of study

UBC – Vancouver

Factors for admission

- Overall course assessment – all Grade 11 & 12 courses considered
- Core academics – courses relevant to field of study
- Marks for English 12 and Pre-Calculus 11
- Personal Profile
- At least 6 academic/non-academic Grade 12 courses
- Rolling admissions



For students starting September 2026:

- There are no Grade 11 requirements

Related courses

The following [subject categories](#) are particularly relevant for this degree. Consider taking courses in these areas in Grade 11 and Grade 12.

- Language Arts
- Mathematics and Computation
- Second Languages
- Social Studies
- Visual and Performing Arts

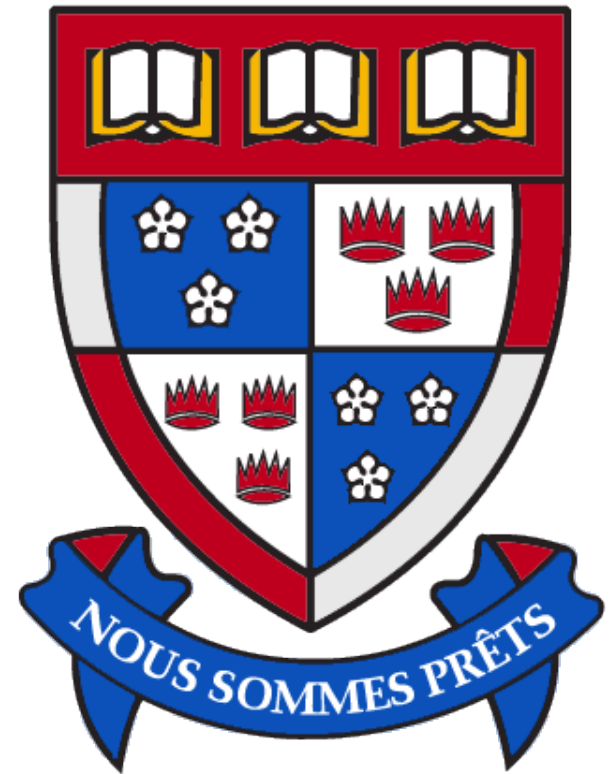
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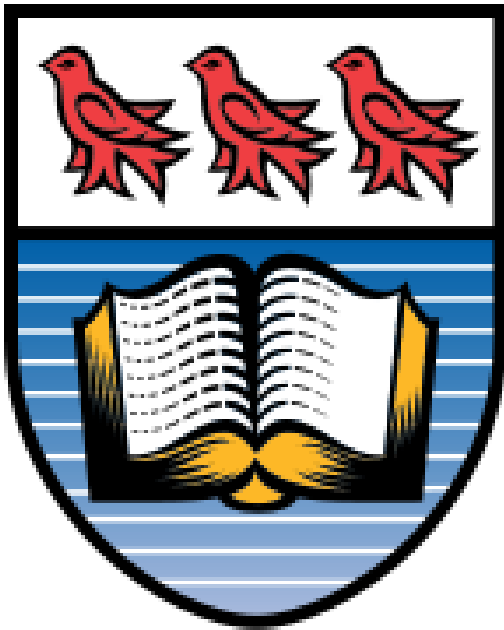
UBC Admission Requirements

SFU Admission Requirements

- High school graduation
- Minimum 5 approved Grade 12 courses from lists
- Quantitative & Analytical Skills
 - Minimum 60% in Grade 11 or 12 Math
- Competence in English language
 - 3 years of English instruction in Canada
 - Minimum 70% in English 12

Please note Faculty of Arts requires a Math 12 or Science 12





UVIC Admission Requirements

English 12 + 3 other approved
Grade 12 courses

see programs for specific
requirements

Langara Admissions

- Graduate from high school
- Acceptance is based on application date
- Applications open on October 1. APPLY!!
- Langara offers Career Programs and University Transfer programs
- Many students attend Langara for 2 years and then transfer to university
- Smaller class sizes and cheaper tuition



Langara.

THE COLLEGE OF HIGHER LEARNING.

Corpus Christi College

@ UBC

- Graduate from high school
- Completion of English 12 or EFP12
- Completion of 3 additional Grade 12 courses
- Many students attend Corpus for 1 or 2 years and then transfer to UBC
- Smaller class sizes



BCIT Programs

Applied & Natural Science
Business & Media
Computing & Info Technology
Engineering
Health Sciences
Trades & Apprenticeships

Admission

- Requirements are program specific
- Many programs require English 12 and a Math 11
- Many students will consider BCIT upon completion of a degree program elsewhere



Emily Carr University of Art & Design

Admission Requirements

- Portfolio
- English 12
- 2 other Grade 12 academic courses
- 2 Grade 12 elective courses





Queen's University Admission

English 12 + 3 other academic Grade 12 courses
based on program prerequisites



US Universities

Academic achievement in Grade 9 – 12

Rigor of academic study in grade 12

Extracurricular accomplishments

Common Application

SAT I and SAT II (optional?)

Student Personal Essay

Letters of Recommendation

College Board – collegeboard.org

Expensive

Reference Letters

3 weeks' notice

Complete a reference request form



Summer School

Information available in April

Registration in May

Inform Counsellor of your Summer School plans





Course Planning Process

1. Review Powerpoint on TEAMS or PW website
2. Read course descriptions in Course Planning Guide on PW website
3. Research post-secondary requirements
4. Complete Course Selection Form with parent signature
5. Enter course choices into MyEd
6. Hand in your signed course form to Mr. Tse in computer lab
7. **Final day to complete is February 20**

**11 (Grads
2027)**

Adab - Chan (25)	C104	Tuesday February 3rd, 2026 (PM FIT: 1:22 PM- 2:02 PM)
Chen – Guo (25)	C104	Wednesday February 4th, 2026 (AM FIT: 8:40 AM – 9:20 AM)
Hang – Lam Antonijoan (24)	C104	Thursday February 5th, 2026 (PM FIT: 1:22 PM- 2:02 PM)
Lee – Minami (25)	C104	Monday February 9th, 2026 (AM FIT: 8:40 AM – 9:20 AM)
Moretta – Sadr Hayes (25)	C104	Tuesday February 10, 2026 (PM FIT: 1:22 PM- 2:02 PM)
Salazar Anguiano – Vanry (25)	C104	Wednesday February 11, 2026 (AM FIT: 8:40 AM – 9:20 AM)
Victorio – Yu (24)	C104	Thursday February 12, 2026 (PM FIT: 1:22 PM- 2:02 PM)
Zaruba – Zhu (17)	C104	Tuesday February 17, 2026 (PM FIT: 1:22 PM- 2:02 PM)

Lab Schedule

Entering Course Choices into MyEd

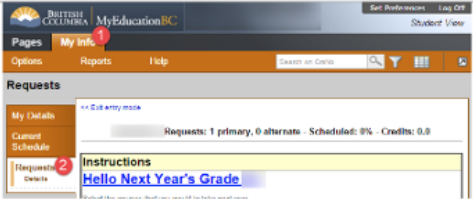
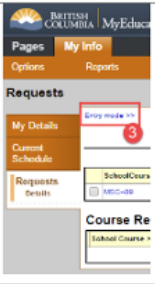
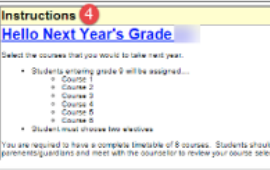
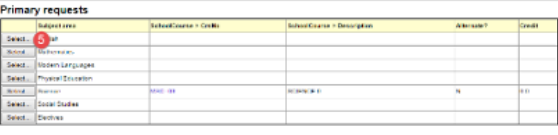
Students will enter their course choices into MyEd at home or during a computer lab sessions.

Window for course entry is Feb. 3 to 20

Instructions posted on TEAMS

Hand in Course Selection Form to Mr. Tse in computer lab

Deadline February 20

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Final Words of Wisdom



Informed Choice

Make INFORMED decisions.
Talk to your teachers, counsellor, parents and friends.

Research

Research course options in the Course Planning Guide.
Research program requirements for university.

Submit

Submit your Grade 12 Course Selection Form in computer lab
Submit final MyEd choices or changes by **February 20**.

Questions regarding course planning for Grade 12:

Please come talk to me

Make an appointment

Send an email
ctse@vsb.bc.ca

