

COURSE SELECTION INFORMATION 2009-10 FOR STUDENTS CURRENTLY IN GRADE 11 OR 12

WHAT YOU NEED: TO PLAN AND CHOOSE YOUR COURSES FOR NEXT YEAR

- A "Planning Template" and a "Pathway Planner"
- Go to <http://nel.hdsb.ca/> to:
 - Access the Nelson Grade 10 - 12 On-line Program Booklet from the website link
 - Print off your Credit Counselling Summary from the website link
 - View timelines and information on the option sheet process from the website link
 - Access the On-line Option Sheet Website from the website link

STUDENTS IN GRADE 12 MAY TAKE AS FEW AS 6 CREDITS, PROVIDED THEY HAVE ACCUMULATED 24 CREDITS. IF A STUDENT TAKES THE MINIMUM 6 CREDITS, IT IS EXPECTED THAT THEY REMAIN ABOVE THIS THRESHOLD FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR IN ORDER TO GRADUATE. STUDENTS MUST HAVE EARNED ONE OF: ENG4C1, ENG4U1 OR ENG4U2 IN ORDER TO GRADUATE.

Students who are entering their Grade 12 year and are behind in credit accumulation should consider alternative methods to acquire additional credits. Refer to Page 29 in the Nelson On-line Program Booklet or visit www.garyallan.ca for information on course offerings at Gary Allan High School including: Summer School, Night School, Self-Reliant Learning and Distance Learning.

GRADE 12 MATHEMATICS

The following chart summarizes Mathematics course selections for Grade 12. Be sure to review program admission requirements for the post-secondary programs of your choice so that you choose the appropriate/necessary Math course(s). Confer with your Math teacher and Student Services if you are in doubt about which Math course(s) you should be taking.

GRADE 11 MATH COURSE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED	GRADE 12 MATH COURSE(S) YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO TAKE
MBF3C1 (Foundations for College Mathematics)	MEL4E1 (Mathematics for Work and Everyday Life) OR MAP4C1 (Foundations for College Mathematics)
MCF3M1 (Functions and Applications)	MAP4C1 (Foundations for College Mathematics) OR MCT4C1 (Mathematics for College Technology) OR MDM4U1 (Mathematics of Data Management)
MCR3U1 (Functions)	MCT4C1 (Mathematics for College Technology) OR MDM4U1 (Mathematics of Data Management) OR MHF4U1 (Advanced Functions) OR MCV4U1 (Calculus and Vectors) <i>after or with</i> MHF4U1

CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION (2 CREDITS) - PAGE 51

All students are encouraged to take Co-op Ed. in senior grades. Students should have a senior course in school to which the Co-op placement will be linked. For example, students wanting to work at the hospital should have Grade 11 Biology or Chemistry. For more information on Co-op Education and the opportunity to learn in the workplace refer to page ? in the Nelson Grade 10-12 On-line Program Booklet or see Ms. Wettlaufer in Student Services.

E-LEARNING COURSES - PAGE 9

In an on-line learning course, students interact and learn with their teacher, classmates and electronic resources using any Internet-connected computer. There are many courses available to students. Students should complete the "On-line Suitability" quiz found in the On-line Grade 10-12 Program Booklet before considering an on-line course. (PAGE 10) More information can be found at www.elearning.hdsb.ca or visit Student Services.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS TO KEEP IN MIND

- You will require 4 English Credits to Graduate.
If you are University-bound, you **MUST** take ENG3U1 OR ENG3U2, then ENG4U1 OR ENG4U2.
If you are College-bound, you could choose ENG3C1, then ENG4C1.
- Be sure that you have fulfilled all Graduating Requirements for your Diploma, including:
 - All Compulsory (18) and Elective (12) Credits - minimum of 30 total
 - Grade 10 Civics and Grade 10 Careers Studies (0.5 credit each)
 - 40 Hours of Community Involvement. Try to earn as many hours as you can!
 - Successful completion of the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Requirement

REGIONAL SCHOOL TO CAREER PROGRAMS AND THE ONTARIO YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

School to Career Programs	Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Programs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programs are found on Page 11 in the Nelson Grade 10-12 On-line Program Booklet. Students need to see a Counsellor in Student Services to access all School to Career programs All programs require students to register on www.onsorts.ca , and complete an application package and interview before being accepted. Visit www.schooltocareer.ca for more information on all School to Career programs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programs are found on Page 23 in the Nelson Grade 10-12 On-line Program Booklet. Students need to see a Counsellor in Student Services to access OYAP programs. All programs require students to register on www.onsorts.ca, and complete an application package and interview before being accepted. Visit www.apprenticesearch.com and www.schooltocareer.ca for more information on OYAP and becoming an apprentice.

AS A GRADE 11 STUDENT OR IF YOU ARE RETURNING FOR AN ADDITIONAL SEMESTER/YEAR AFTER GRADE 12, IT IS IMPORTANT TO BE WELL INFORMED ABOUT ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION.

PATHWAY PLANNING - USEFUL PATHWAY PLANNING WEBSITES ARE FOUND ON PAGE 69

It is important to be well informed about admission requirements for all post-secondary pathways. Students should become very familiar with the prerequisites required for admission into the program(s) of their choice, and plan their Grade 12 course selections accordingly. As well, please note that Colleges and Universities review student's transcripts for admission purposes.

Apprenticeship	College	University	Workplace
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most apprenticeships require a high school diploma. Specific high school courses may be required as prerequisites. A combination of C or E level courses in Grade 11 is recommended. Use the Pathway Planner to help you plan for an apprenticeship or experiential learning opportunities of your choice. Research various apprenticeship opportunities and "Steps to An Apprenticeship" at: www.apprenticesearch.com Research Ontario Youth Apprenticeship (OYAP) opportunities at: www.schooltocareer.ca www.myblueprint.ca 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colleges may consider Grade 11 and 12 marks and pay particular attention to select courses. A combination of C or M (U/C) level courses in Grade 11 and 12 is recommended. More and more college programs require Grade 12 Math, most often Math for College Technology (MCT4C1). Check individual Colleges for program specific admission requirements. Use the following sources to plan for your course selections: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - www.ontariocolleges.ca - College websites linked off the Nelson High School Student Services website, http://nel.hdsb.ca/ - College Program Calendars/View Books in Student Services. - www.myblueprint.ca - Use the Pathway Planner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MUST have a minimum of 6 U or M(U/C) level courses including ENG4U1 OR ENG4U2 These two courses count as the same credit. Grade 12 Open Level courses cannot be used for University entrance. Check individual Universities for program specific admission requirements. Use the following sources to plan for your course selections: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - www.electronicinfo.ca - University websites linked off the Nelson High School Student Services website, http://nel.hdsb.ca/ - University Program Calendars/ View Books in Student Services. - www.myblueprint.ca - Use the Pathway Planner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students should work toward earning credits toward their high school diploma. Specific high school courses may be required as prerequisites. A combination of C or E level courses in Grade 11 is recommended. Use the Pathway Planner to help you plan for an apprenticeship or experiential learning opportunities of your choice. Research various School to Career opportunities at: www.schooltocareer.ca www.myblueprint.ca

MYBLUEPRINT EDUCATIONAL PLANNER

Start planning for your future education by following these simple steps:

- Visit www.myblueprint.ca
- Enter Nelson's Activation Key: nelson 4181
- Create an account - Students assign their own username and password
- Create "My Profile" - Student's own secure space to save high school plans, programs of interest and personal notes.
- Build Personal High School Plan(s) - Students can enter their courses, view course descriptions, view diploma requirements and track their community involvement hours. Many plans can be saved in order to explore all post-secondary destinations and pathways. (Apprenticeship, College, University, or Workplace)
- Explore Post-Secondary Options - Students can view and compare programs according to their desired educational destination and pathway.

HOW TO COMPLETE YOUR ON-LINE OPTION SHEET

All students must log on and complete their On-line Option Sheets no later than Tues., Feb. 24th. Students may use home or school computers to complete this process.

- Visit the Nelson website <http://nel.hdsb.ca/> and click on the link to the On-line Option Sheet. Print off your Credit Counselling Summary to review your credit history and what you need to graduate.

DO NOT SELECT THE FOLLOWING COURSES:GLE/GLS, GUIDANCE, SPED, LIBRARY or RSP.

- Type your **9 digit student number, using all 0's (no hyphens)** in the "Student Number" box.
- Use "opt" for the password the first time you log on this year. "opt" then becomes the old password.
- **Change your password** by following the instructions and write it down. If you forget it, go to Student Services to have your password reset.
- Once you're logged in, use the "add course" and "remove course" options to **complete your option sheet**.
- **Check that all of your course selections are correct** and that you have only selected each course once.
- **Print a copy of your selections** using "List of Chosen Options".
- Once you exit the application you can access it again to **change your selections until Mar. 1st**.
- If you are NOT RETURNING, click on "not returning" at the top of the page and then "exit".
- **CHOOSE YOUR COURSES CAREFULLY BECAUSE ONCE THE TIMETABLE IS BUILT IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT TO CHANGE.**

Note: Any course ending with 4 is French Immersion, O is On-line and 8 is Co-operative Education.

