

Corpus Christi Catholic Secondary School

Transition from Grade 8 to 9

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Land Acknowledgement



School Prayer

Heavenly Father,

You call us to be the Body of Christ to others.

May our eyes look upon the world with your compassion.

May our feet hurry to help others and to do good.

May our hands reveal Your blessing upon humanity.

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord.

Amen.

Catholic Education in Halton



Catholic
Curriculum



Catholic
Learning
Environment



Catholic
Staff



Catholic
Community

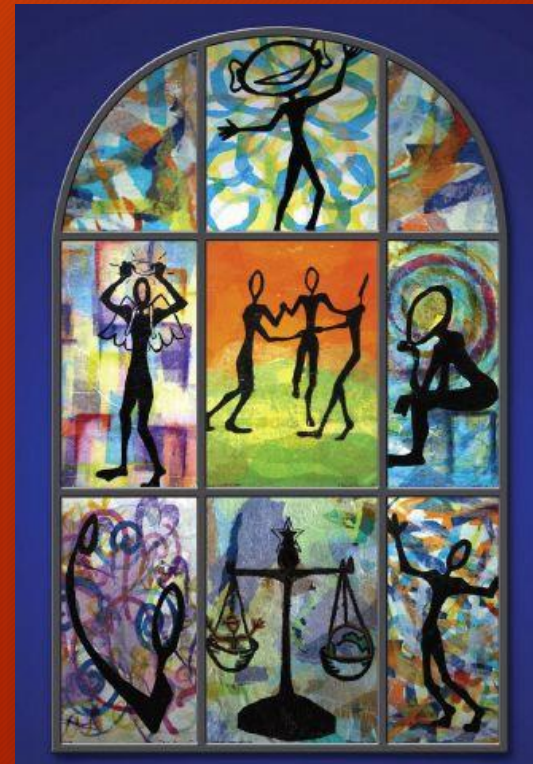
The Catholic Dimension in Practice

- Religion credit course taken each year. **These courses require no prior knowledge of the Catholic faith.**
- School Chaplaincy Leader and Chapel
- Daily Prayer, Masses and Liturgies
- Retreat Program
- Community Outreach—Food drives, Christmas baskets, missions and fundraising
- Social Justice Groups

Catholic Graduate Expectations

These distinctive expectations are integrated into the full Catholic school curriculum to help form graduates who are:

- Discerning believers formed in the Catholic faith community;
- Effective communicators;
- Reflective, creative and holistic thinkers;
- Self-directed, responsible, lifelong learners;
- Collaborative contributors;
- Caring family members; and,
- Responsible citizens.



How do we plan for success?

We build success by:

- Recognizing the dignity of each student
- Providing a safe and caring school environment
- Providing academic support
- Supporting faith development
- Providing opportunities for leadership
- Helping students to develop resiliency
- Encouraging and supporting parent engagement

Our Focus is...

...to ensure your child has a smooth transition from elementary to secondary

We are here to help!

- Guidance Counsellors
- Social Worker
- Child and Youth Worker
- Chaplain
- Special Education Teachers
- Administration
- Teachers and Support Staff

Corpus Christi Athletics

| FALL | WINTER | SPRING |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Jr/Sr Girls Basketball | Jr/Sr Badminton | Jr/Sr Badminton |
| Jr/Sr Boys Volleyball | Novice/Jr/Sr Boys Basketball | Varsity Baseball |
| Cross Country | Novice/Jr/Sr Girls Volleyball | Girls Rugby |
| Jr/Sr Girls Field Hockey | Girls Hockey | Touch Football |
| Jr/Sr Football | Jr/Sr Hockey | Jr/Sr Girls/Boys Soccer |
| Boys/Girls Golf | Lacrosse | Tennis |
| | Alpine Skiing/Snowboard | Track and Field |

CORPUS CHRISTI CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Announcement Team • AV Team • Athletic Council
Concert and Jazz Band • Best Buddies • Book Club
Computer Programming Club • Construction Club • Debate Team
• Exercise Room • Free the Children Club • Guest Speakers/Presenters
Longhorns for Life Right to Life Club • Longhorns Student Alliance Math
Contests • School Reach Teams • Mock Trial Team
• Hands for Change Social Justice Club • Longhorns Art Club
Mentors and Visionaries • Ontario Skills Competition
• Rotary Interact Club • SAC • Ontario Model United Nations Assembly
• Student Council Student Senate • Student Eucharistic Ministers
• Where in the World Wednesdays • Yearbook
New Mentality Wellness Committee • SIDE With Us Diversity Club



CORPUS CHRISTI

Catholic Secondary School

DIGNITY

EQUITY

RESPECT



The Grade 9 Program

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Grade 8 Visits (Associate Schools) | October 10 – 13, 2023 CC Guidance counsellors will visit Grade 8 Associate School classes and explain the course selection process. |
| Grade 8 Parent Information Night | Thursday, October 19, 2023, 6:30 – 8:00 pm. This event will be held at Corpus Christi (Theatre). |
| AP Information Night | Tuesday, October 24, 2023, 6:30 – 8 pm CC Theatre |
| Registration – Access to myBlueprint | myBlueprint will be open for course selections (for grade 8 associate students only) end of November and will on December 5, 2023. |
| Course Selections | Friday, December 5, 2023, by noon due date for submitted course selections on myBlueprint Associate School Students. Wednesday, December 20, 2023 applications due date for Non-Associate Students application will be found on our website by the end of November. |
| Final Changes to Selections | Friday February 2, 2024 Final day to make changes for course selections for 2024 – 2025 school year. |
| August (TBD) | Timetables available to students. |



HIGH SCHOOL FORMAT

2 semesters

Semester 1: September to January

Semester 2: February to June

- **Exams/culminating activities at the end of each semester**
- **4 periods/classes a day (75 minutes each), per semester**
- **Lunch (40 minutes)**
- **8:20 a.m. – 2:20 p.m.**

SECONDARY DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS



**TOTAL OF 30 CREDITS
INCLUDING
TWO E-LEARNING
COURSES**



**18 COMPULSORY
COURSES**



12 ELECTIVE COURSES



**40 HOURS COMMUNITY
INVOLVEMENT**



**GRADE 10 ONTARIO
SECONDARY SCHOOL
LITERACY TEST**

TWO MANDATORY E-LEARNING COURSES

The Ministry of Education has changed the graduation requirements.

Students MUST now complete two e-Learning courses which are included in the 30 total credits a student needs to achieve.

A student can OPT out of taking the two e-Learning courses by indicating you would like to opt out on myblueprint (for associate school students) or by completing an opt out form.

Opting out does not mean the student cannot take e-learn courses.

COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

Minimum 40 hours beginning the summer before Grade 9

- **Encourages civic responsibility, Catholic values, and importance of volunteering**
- **Supports career explorations**
- **Students may begin community hours starting July 1st, 2024**
- **Ministry and Board Guidelines governing placements**

ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL LITERACY TEST (OSSLT)

- **Written in Grade 10**
- **Based on expectations up to & including Grade 9 English curriculum**
- **If a student is unable to meet standards in first attempt, they will:**
 - **take the test again in Grade 11, or**
 - **may be directed to complete the Ontario Literacy Course in Grade 12 (OLC40)**

AP, Destreamed, Essential or Open Courses

Destreamed (W)

Grade 9 Destreamed courses equip all students with the knowledge, skills and work ethic to be successful in academic or applied courses in grade 10. i.e., SNC1W or MTH1W

Locally Developed (L)

Developed by HCDSB to meet educational requirements not met by provincial curriculum documents (Grade 9 and 10, Math, Science, English) (“L” Indicates Locally Developed) i.e., SNC1L

Open (O)

These courses have one set of learning expectations. Students in all levels are able to take these courses i.e., HRE1O, BTT1O (“O” Indicates Open)

Advanced Placement (A)

These courses offer students university level content by helping them develop a greater depth of knowledge, learning and critical thinking skills. More information about this pathway and courses will be presented at our AP Information Night.

GRADE 9 COMPULSORY COURSES

Religion
Open

English
AP, Destreamed
or Locally
Developed

Mathematics
AP, Destreamed
or Locally
Developed

Science
AP, Destreamed
or Locally
Developed

Geography
AP or
Destreamed

French
AP or Destreamed

Exploring Technology
in Industry -
Automotive and
Construction

Expressing Aboriginal
Cultures

Food and Nutrition

Hairstyling and
Aesthetics

Health & Physical
Education Traditional

Large Group
Activities – Field
Sports

Introduction to
Information
Technology in
Business

Learning Strategies

Music

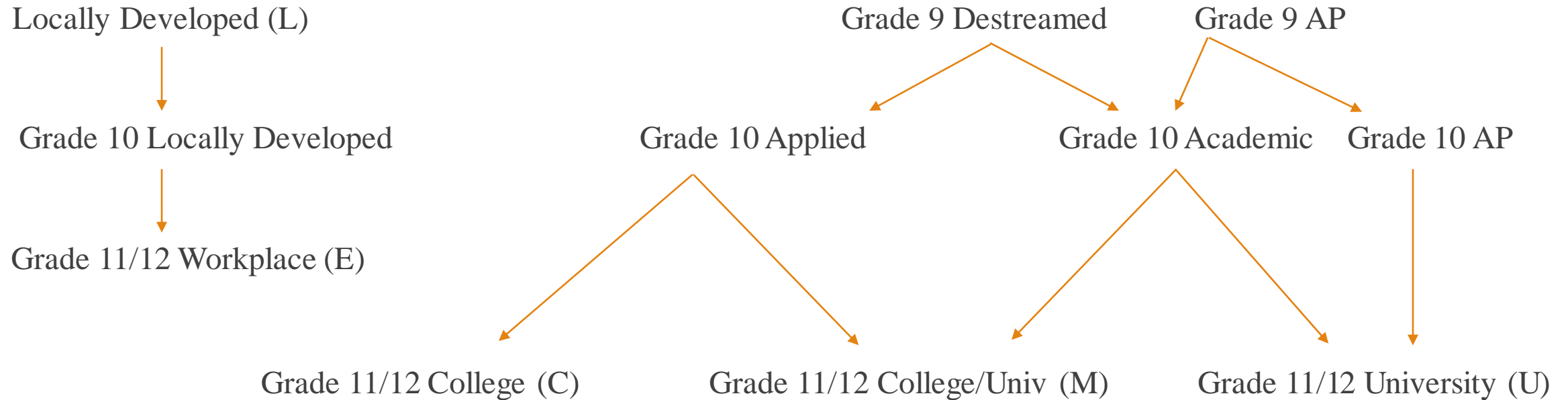
Visual Arts

GRADE 9 ELECTIVE COURSES

(Select two from list above)

GRADE 11 AND 12 COURSE TYPES

POST-SECONDARY DESTINATIONS



WWW.MYBLUEPRINT.CA/HCDsb



Pathways

A diagram illustrating pathways. The word "Pathways" is written in a large, black, sans-serif font. The word is enclosed within a blue oval. From the top of the oval, four arrows of different colors (blue, red, orange, and gold) point upwards and outwards in different directions. A black cross symbol is also positioned near the top of the oval, slightly to the right of the center.

Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)

Arts and Culture

Business

Environmental Science

Sports and Fitness Promotion

The SHSM program offers students the opportunity to explore careers in a specific area of study in order to acquire the skills and expertise that will assist them in their individual pathway.

- **Bundled Senior Credits**
- **Sector-recognized certificates**
- **Experiential learning (co-op education)**

STUDENTS IN CC FAMILY OF SCHOOLS

In order to register at Corpus Christi C.S.S. for 2024 - 2025, follow the directions for using www.myBlueprint.ca/hcdsb (*these can be found on our website under Students- Student Services- Grade 8 Information*), by Friday, December 5th, 2023.

- 1. Submit courses through myBlueprint**
- 2. \$65 Activity Fee that can be paid through link provided on parent/guardian letter.**
- 3. Consent Forms will be given to parents/guardians at a later date in September (electronically)**
- 4. Please note that no paperwork is to be handed in to your Grade 8 teacher. Parents or guardians will receive an approval email to review their child's options when your child completes course selections on myblueprint.**
- 5. You must select "accept" for your student's options to be registered. If at that time you would like to change a course you can decline your student's choices and ask for the account to be reset. You can do so by emailing Mrs. Soulliere at SoulliereJ@hcdsb.org.**

STUDENTS NOT IN CC FAMILY OF SCHOOLS

By December 20, 2023, please register through our online registration system.

- 1. Log on to our website cccss.ca – Students – Student Services – New Student Registration**
- 2. \$65 Activity Fee can be paid through link provided found in registration package**
- 3. If you have any questions regarding the registration process, please email to Joanne Soulliere at soullierej@hcdsb.org (Student Services Department at Corpus Christi)**

All Grade 8 Information can be found on our website under Students - Student Services – Grade 8 Information

Please note that students not currently in the Corpus Christi Family of Schools are unable to submit their Course Selections electronically via www.myBlueprint.ca

Key Points to Remember!

- Courses chosen in Grade 9 DO NOT LIMIT pathways chosen in Grade 10
- 4-year program (*Some students take 5 years*)
- Grade 10 Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test
- 40 hours of community involvement (can start volunteering in July 2024)
- Grade 11 and Grade 12 courses are chosen according to student's destination (Apprenticeships, Workplace, College, University)

Keep in touch!

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