Grade 9 Elective Courses - Choose 2 Courses

Course Code	Course Name	Department	Course Description
AMU1O1	Music	Arts	This course emphasizes the performance of music at a level that strikes a balance between challenge and skill and is aimed at developing technique, sensitivity, and imagination. Students will participate in creative activities that teach them to listen with understanding. They will also learn correct musical terminology and its appropriate use.
AVI1O1	Visual Arts	Arts	This course offers an overview of visual arts as a foundation for further study. Students will become familiar with the elements and principles of design and the expressive qualities of various materials through working with a range of materials, processes, techniques, and styles. They will learn and use methods of analysis and criticism and will study the characteristics of particular historical art periods and a selection of Canadian art and the art of other cultures.
NAC1O1	Expressions of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Cultures	Arts	This course explores various First Nations, Métis, and Inuit art forms (media arts, music, dance, drama, storytelling, visual art, installation and performance art, clothing design, and architectural design), giving students the opportunity to create, present, and analyze integrated art works infused with First Nations, Métis, and Inuit perspectives. Students will examine relationships between art forms and individual and cultural identities, histories, and values. Students will demonstrate innovation as they learn and apply art-related concepts, styles, and conventions and acquire skills that are transferable beyond the classroom. Students will use the creative process and responsible practices to explore solutions to integrated arts challenges.
BBI1O1	Introduction to Business	Business	This course introduces students to the world of business. Students will develop an understanding of the functions of business, including accounting, marketing, information and communication technology, human resources, and production, and of the importance of ethics and social responsibility. This course builds a foundation for further studies in business and helps students develop the business knowledge and skills they will need in their everyday lives. *Please note that students who take BBI1O1 are not allowed to take BBI2O Introduction to Business.*
BTT1O1	Information and Communication Technology in Business	Business	This course introduces students to information and communication technology in a business environment and builds a foundation of digital literacy skills necessary for success in a technologically driven society. Students will develop word processing, spreadsheet, database, desktop publishing, presentation software, and website design skills. Throughout the course, there is an emphasis on digital literacy, effective electronic research and communication skills, and current issues related to the impact of information and communication technology. *Students who take BTT1O1 are not allowed to take BTT2O.*
GLS1O1	Learning Strategies	Guidance and Career Education	This course focuses on learning strategies to help students become better, more independent learners. Students will learn how to develop and apply literacy and numeracy skills, personal management skills, and interpersonal and teamwork skills to improve their learning and achievement in school, the workplace and the community. The course helps students build confidence and motivation to pursue opportunities for success in secondary school and beyond.
HFN1O1	Food and Nutrition	Social Sciences & Humanities	This course focuses on guidelines for making nutritious food choices. Students will investigate factors that influence food choices, including beliefs, attitudes, current trends, traditional eating patterns, food marketing strategies, and individual needs. Students will also explore the environmental impact of a variety of food choices at the local and global level. The course provides students with opportunities to develop food preparation skills and introduces them to the use of social science research methods in the area of food and nutrition.
PPL1OF	Healthy Active Living **(Female)**	Health & Physical Education	This course emphasizes students' daily participation in a variety of enjoyable physical activities that promote lifelong healthy active activities that promote lifelong healthy active living. Students will learn movement techniques and principles, ways to improve personal fitness and physical competence and safety/injury-prevention strategies. They will investigate issues related to healthy sexuality and the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs and will participate in activities designed to develop goal-setting, communication, and social skills.
PPL1OM	Healthy Active Living **(Male)**		
PAL1OS	Large Group Activities - **Soccer**	Health & Physical Education	This course emphasizes students' daily participation in a variety of enjoyable physical activities that promote lifelong healthy active activities that promote lifelong healthy active living. Students will learn movement techniques and principles, ways to improve personal fitness and physical competence and safety/injury-prevention strategies. They will investigate issues related to healthy sexuality and the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs and will participate in activities designed to develop goal-setting, communication, and social skills. The focus of this course is the game of soccer or the game of football and related skills.
PAL1OT	Large Group Activities - **Football**		
TIJ1O1	Integrated Technology	Technological Studies	This course enables students to further explore and develop technological knowledge and skills introduced in the elementary science and technology program. Students will be given the opportunity to design and create products and/or provide services related to the various technological areas or industries, working with a variety of tools, equipment, and software commonly used in industry. Students will develop an awareness of environmental and societal issues, and will begin to explore secondary and postsecondary education and training pathways leading to careers in technology-related fields.