

Grades 9 & 10 Course Selection Presentation



ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL DIPLOMA (OSSD)



**30
CREDITS**

**For Students starting
Grade 9 in 2023 or earlier**

- ✓ 18 compulsory credits
- ✓ 12 optional credits

**For Students starting
Grade 9 in 2024 or later**

- ✓ 17 compulsory credits
- ✓ 13 optional credits

**Pass
OSSLT**

**Ontario Secondary School
Literacy Test**

- ✓ Compulsory provincial literacy test in English comprehension
- ✓ Held twice a year, in late March or early April, and in November.
- ✓ Fail : substitute literacy course(OLC40) is arranged afterwards

**40 hr.
Volunteer**

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- ✓ Community involvement activities
- ✓ Students' involvement in non-paid social activities

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2 ONLINE CREDITS

- Unless student opts-out in grade 11 year

FINANCIAL LITERACY REQUIREMENT

- to be completed in your grade 10 math class



Community Service Guidelines

- Community Service opportunities must be approved in advance by your guidance counsellor (unless it is an opportunity promoted by Notre Dame)
- A minimum of 40 hours is required.
- Collecting greater than 40 hours of community service is encouraged for MOE community hours certificate.



Bronze: 50 to 99 volunteer hours



Silver: 100 to 199 volunteer hours



Gold: 200+ volunteer hours



PEER TUTORING PROGRAM

Calling all Grade 10, 11 & 12's

Are you a strong Math/Science/English/French student?

- Consider becoming an L2L Tutor to a Grade 9 or 10 student

*** What will I gain?**

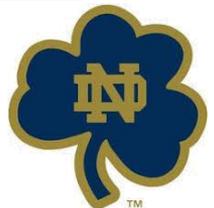
- Gain community service hours!
- Leadership skills!
- The amazing feeling of being a mentor and contributing to someone's academic growth!

*** What is expected of me?**

Sessions will run two afternoons per week, from 2:25pm - 3:40pm.
Days of the week TBD.



Want to sign up? In March, Mr. V will start recruiting tutors. Listen to morning announcements for more info!



30 CREDITS IN TOTAL + **40** HOURS OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE +  LITERACY REQUIREMENT +  **2** ONLINE LEARNING CREDITS +  FINANCIAL LITERACY REQUIREMENT

Students must earn the following credits to obtain the Ontario Secondary School Diploma:

Religious Education Credits	Credits
Religious Education (1 per grade)	4
Compulsory Credits	Credits
English (1 per grade)	4
mathematics (Grade 9, 10, and 11 or 12)	3
science	2
technological education (Grade 9 or 10)	1
Canadian history (Grade 10)	1
Canadian geography (Grade 9)	1
the arts	1
health and physical education	1
French as a second language	1
career studies	0.5
civics and citizenship	0.5
STEM-related course group	1
Optional Credits	Credits
✓ optional credits from the secondary school's program and course calendar	9

Other Requirements

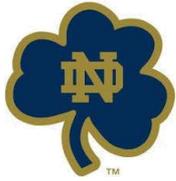
- ✓ 40 hours of Christian Service volunteering activities, which can start the summer before Grade 9
- ✓ the provincial literacy requirement: OSSLT or OSSLC
- ✓ at least 2 credits of online learning (opt out available)

Including ONE credit from the following STEM-related course group:

STEM-related Course Group

- business studies
- computer studies
- cooperative education
- mathematics (in addition to the 3 compulsory credits currently required)
- science (in addition to the 2 compulsory credits currently required)
- technological education (in addition to the 1 compulsory credit required)





ACADEMIC/CAREER PLANNING CHART

YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4
1.Religion	1.Religion	1.Religion	1.Religion or Social Justice
2.English	2.English	2.English	2.English
3.Math	3.Math	3.Math	3.
4.Science	4.Science	4. STEM-related credit if not achieved	4.
5.Cdn Geography	5.Cdn History	5.	5.
6.French	6.Civics/Careers	6.	6.
7.Tech here	7. or Tech here	7.	7.
8.	8.	8.	8.

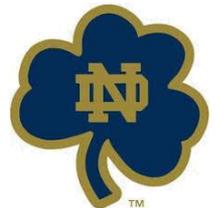


For university applicants, students must have 6 grade 12 U/M courses

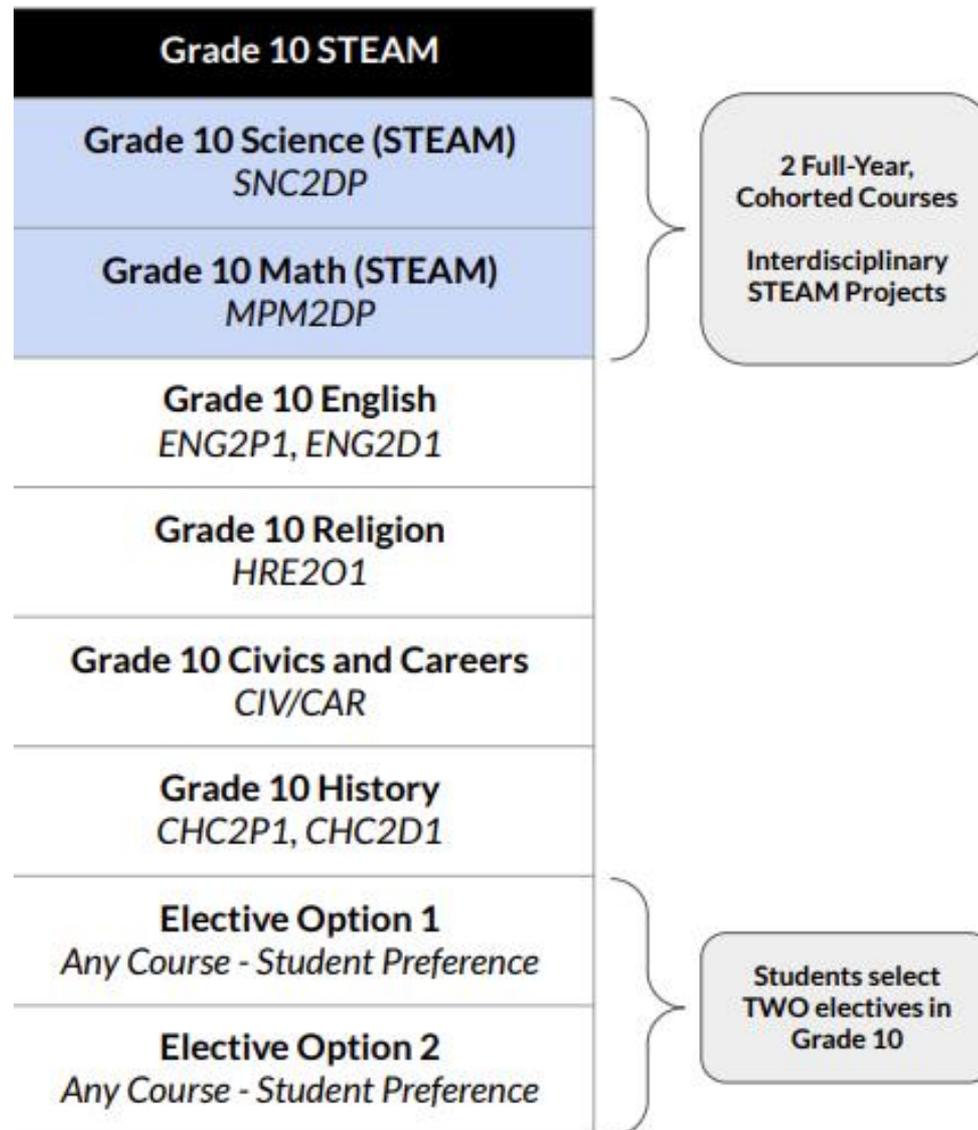
Maximum 2 online courses allowed in your course selection

TRANSCRIPT RULES

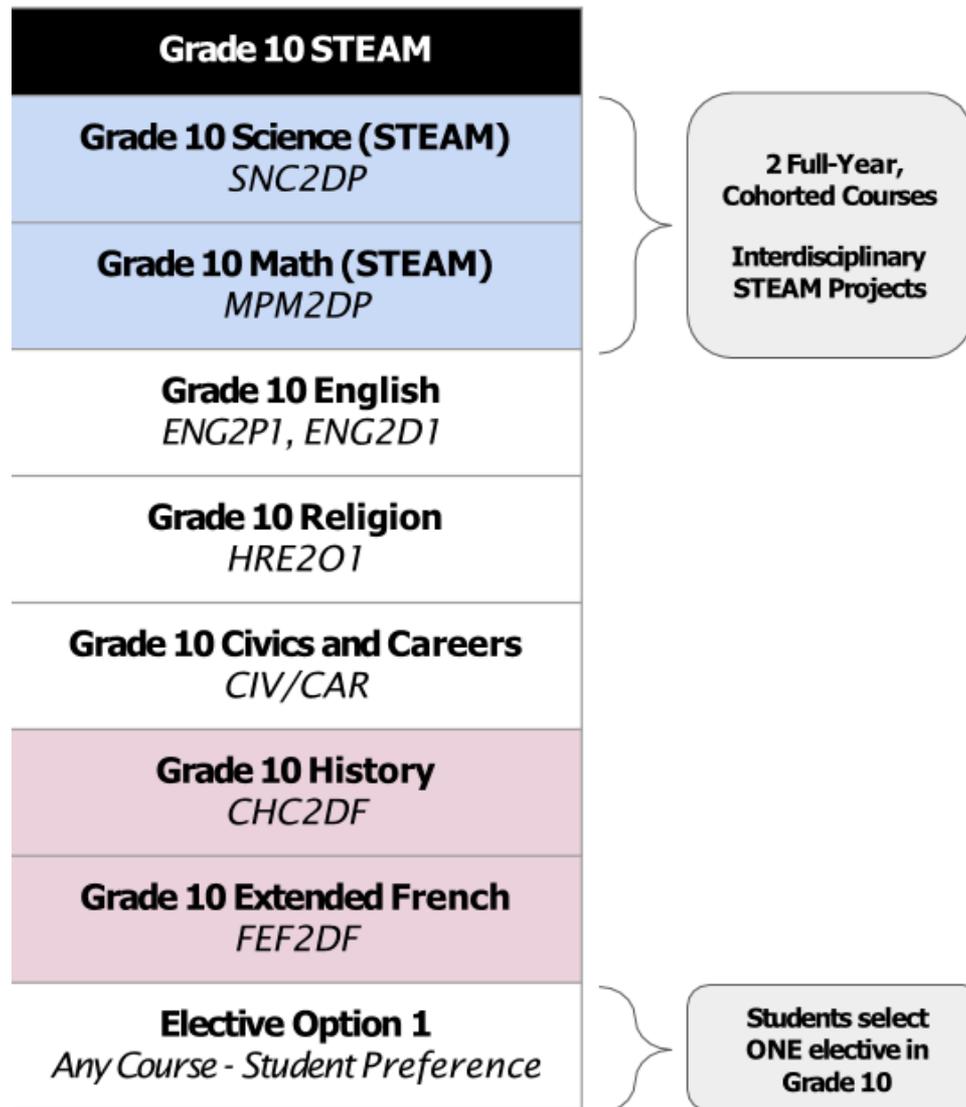
- **Grade 9 & 10 courses:** only successful attempts of courses are recorded.
- **Grade 11 & 12 courses:** all attempts of courses (including failures) are recorded
- **Grade 12 student:** if a grade 12 student drops a course before the mid-term date this will NOT be recorded on the student transcript.
- **No spares for students in grades 9-11.**
- **Grade 12 students must be enrolled in a minimum of 3 courses per semester**



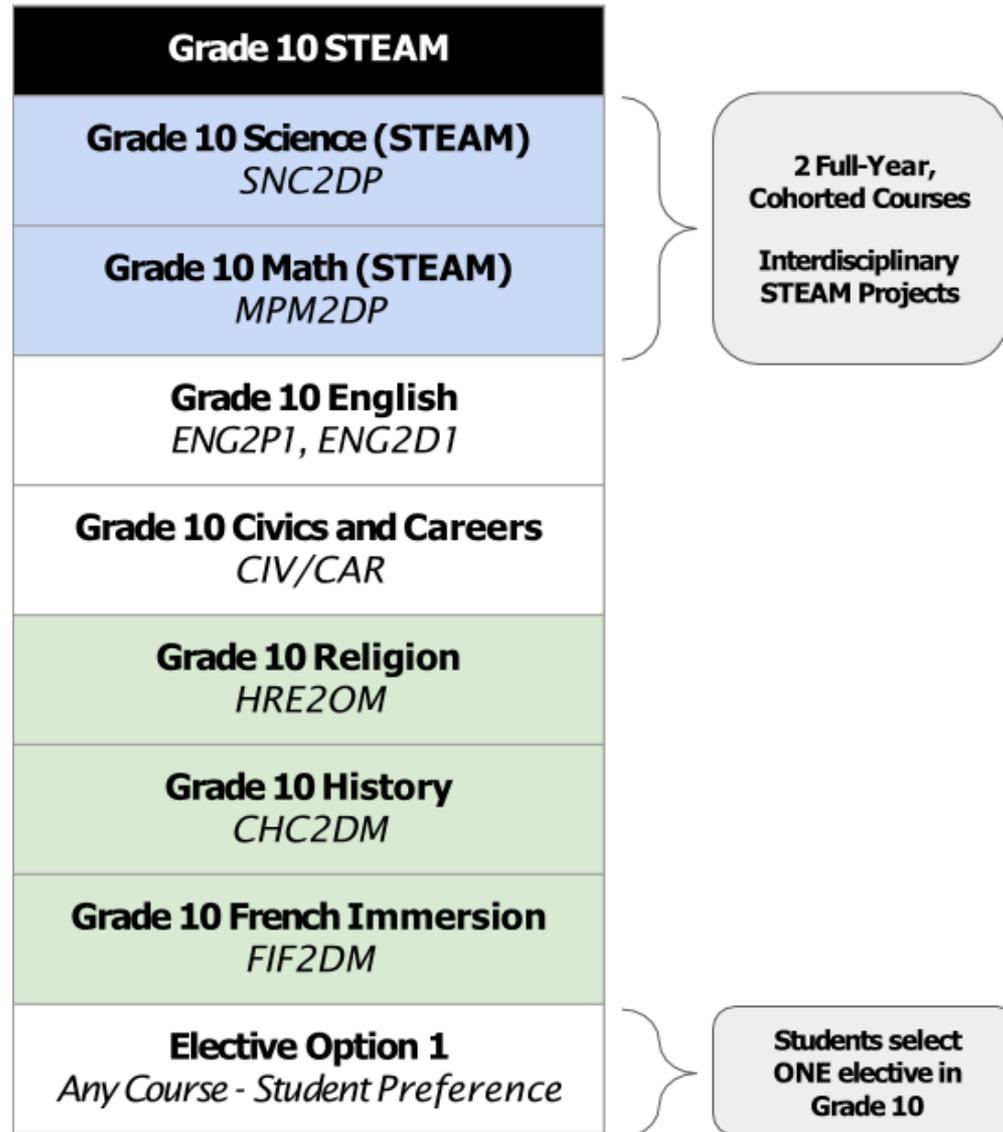
STEAM Pathway



STEAM Pathway + Extended French



STEAM Pathway + French Immersion



Extended French

1260 instructional hours (or equivalent) required to register

Grade 9

Extended French
Géographie

Grade 10

Extended French
Histoire

Grade 11

Extended French
Religion du monde

Grade 12

Extended French

French Immersion

3800 instructional hours (or equivalent) required to register

Grade 9

French Immersion
Géographie
Religion

Grade 10

French Immersion
Histoire
Religion

Grade 11

French Immersion
Religion

Grade 12

French Immersion
Religion

Specialty Programs

SHSM & OYAP Programs

SHSM - Arts & Culture

SHSM - Business Leadership

SHSM - Horticulture & Landscaping

SHSM - Information & Communication Technology

SHSM - Manufacturing

SHSM - Education

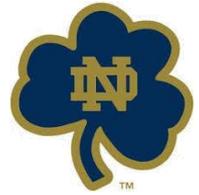
SHSM - Health & Wellness (pending approval)

OYAP - Construction

OYAP - FAST (Focused Apprenticeship Skills Training)

Interested ?

See your Guidance Counsellor or speak to one of the SHSM lead teachers AND...



OYAP
ONTARIO YOUTH
APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM



1 Step 1
Add Courses

2 Step 2
Review Courses

3 Step 3
Submit Courses

Review Course Selections

0/30

REQUIRED CREDITS

0
Planned

0
Earned

0
Total

View Progress

Specialized Programs

Explore and express interest in OYAP, SHSM, Dual Credit and other specialized programs

Learn More

Pathway Eligibility

Grade 9 Completed	Grade 10 Current Year	Grade 11 Next Year	Grade 12 Plan Ahead
+ English	+ English	+ English	+ Online Learning Opt-...
+ Mathematics	+ Mathematics	+ Mathematics	+ English
+ Science	+ Science	+ Religion	+ Religion
+ French as a Second L...	+ History	+ Course	+ Course
+ Geography	+ Civics and Careers	+ Course	+ Course
+ Religion	+ Religion	+ Course	+ Course
+ Course	+ Course	+ Course	+ Course
+ Course	+ Course	+ Course	+ Course

Interested in applying to SHSM or OYAP Construction? Click the learn more box in High School Planner to indicate interest.



OYAP-FAST Apprenticeship Program

- ✓ Are you a hands-on learner who wants to get a head start on a great paying career in the skilled trades?
- ✓ Would you like to work towards becoming an apprentice while earning your high school diploma?

Focused Apprenticeship Skills Training (FAST) is a specialized program that allows students in Grades 11 and 12 to participate in more apprenticeship learning through additional Co-op credits, while completing their OSSD.

Students who meet the completion requirements, and all other OSSD requirements, will be awarded the OYAP-FAST seal on their diploma.



Select OYAP-FAST during course selection and see your guidance counsellor for more information!

OYAP Programs available to all HCDSB students

OYAP-FAST	Regular OYAP	Concentrated OYAP	Accelerated Level 1 OYAP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialized diploma. 8-11 Coop credits over Gr 11 and 12. Coop placement(s) must be in a skilled trade. OYAP-FAST seal on diploma. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take Coop in Gr. 11 and/or Gr. 12. Coop placement(s) must be in a skilled trade. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a Concentrated OYAP regional program. Express interest and apply in myBlueprint / Regional Programs. Take Coop and several focus courses. Coop placement(s) must be in a skilled trade. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take full day Coop in Semester 2 of Gr. 12 Coop placement must be in a skilled trade. Student attends a Level 1 apprentice training program at a local training centre (e.g. Sheridan, Mohawk, LiUNA)
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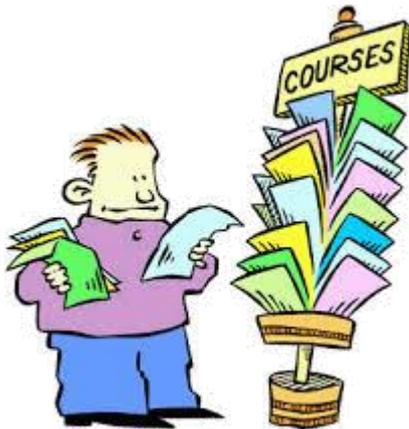
Dual Credit courses available off-site at SHERIDAN College and onsite through grade 12 Transportation Technology (TTJ4C)



COURSE CODES

EXAMPLE: ENG2D1 (in-person) or ENG2DE (online)

ENG	2	D
<u>Course/subject</u>	<u>grade level</u>	<u>course type</u>
Abbreviation	1=grade 9	O=open
	2=grade 10	D=Academic
	3=grade 11	P=applied
	4=grade 12	U=univ
		M=univ/coll
		C=college
		E=workplace



Post secondary research

▶ Apprenticeships:

www.apprenticesearch.com/

www.haltonpathways.ca

www.skilledtradesontario.ca

▶ College:

www.ontariocolleges.ca

www.trades.ontariocolleges.ca

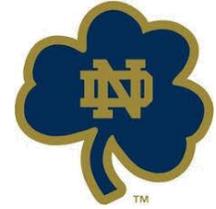
▶ University:

www.ouac.on.ca &

www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca



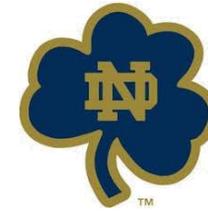
SUMMER SCHOOL (JULY)



- **Summer School courses are 4 weeks in length.**
Upgrading a mark will also require 4 weeks.
- **REGISTER through myBlueprint (Continuing Education) in March/April.**
- If you are sure that you will take summer school and plan to take **CHV20/GLC20 (Civics/Careers)** you can leave that course off your course selection in myBlueprint and select another course in its place.

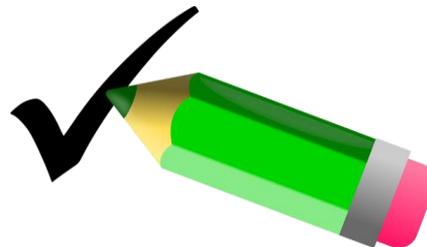


myBlueprint Course Selection

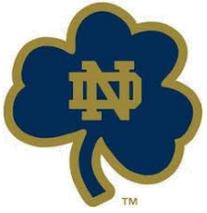


- ▶ STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS
- ▶ Your Parent/Guardian **MUST** approve your courses electronically
- ▶ SEE YOUR COUNSELLOR WITH ANY QUESTIONS.
- ▶ myBlueprint will open for course submission on Tues. Feb. 17th, 2026.
High school planner can be accessed now

▶ **ACCURACY IS CRITICAL !!!**



Sign-In Instructions



From the D2L homepage, find the myBlueprint tab.



A screenshot of the D2L homepage navigation menu. The menu is a dark blue horizontal bar with white text. The items are: Focus on Faith, D2L Resources (with a dropdown arrow), Learning Resources (with a dropdown arrow), Quick Eval, myBlueprint (circled in red), Self Registration, Course Admin, and Discover.

Focus on Faith D2L Resources ▾ Learning Resources ▾ Quick Eval myBlueprint Self Registration Course Admin Discover

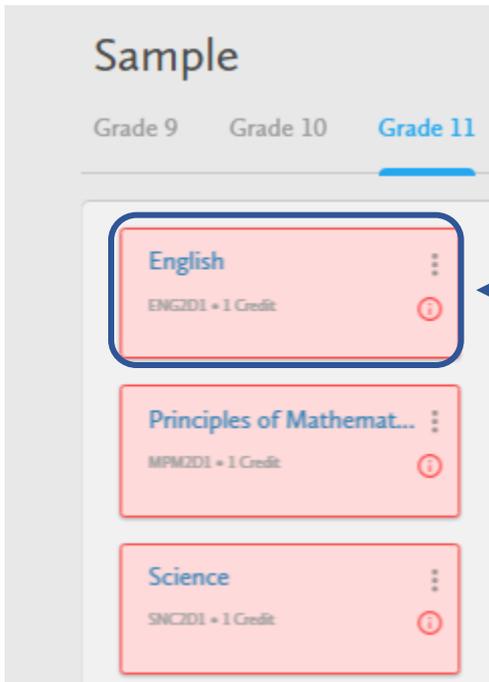
Welcome to the HCDSB homepage!
This is our Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) and uses the D2L Brightspace platform.

Accessing Course Selection

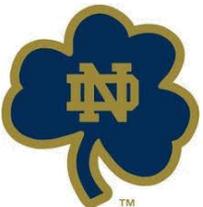
Click on High School to Plan your courses

The screenshot shows a user dashboard with a dark blue navigation menu on the left. The menu items are: Home, Who Am I, High School, Post-Secondary, Work, Money, Guides, Favourites, and Notifications (0). The main content area is titled 'Home' and has sub-sections: Dashboard, Tasks, Classes, Goals, and Portfolios. A 'Complete your IPP Tasks' section features a progress bar at 17% and a description: 'Individual Pathways Plan (IPP) Tasks help you plan your education and career while earning points for prize draws.' Below this are buttons for 'View All Tasks' and 'Show Prizes'. A modal window titled 'Home • Goals' is open, displaying 'Add 2 Goals' and '100 points'.





This symbol indicates you are missing a prerequisite for the selected course or the course is full



+ English

To find a course and its description and/or prerequisite click the subject from the list

English

Grade 9 • ENG1D1 • Academic

English

Grade 9 • ENG1L1 • Locally Developed

English

Grade 9 • ENG1P1 • Applied

Beginning Communication in Eng

Grade 9 • ESLAO1 • Open

English in Daily Life

Grade 9 • ESLBO1 • Open

English for School and Work

Grade 9 • ESLCO1 • Open

Study Skills in English

Grade 9 • ESLDO1 • Open

English

Grade 10 • ENG2D1 • Academic

English

Grade 10 • ENG2L1 • Locally Developed

English

Grade 10 • ENG2P1 • Applied

English

Grade 11 • ENG3C1 • College

English

Grade 11 • ENG3E1 • Workplace

English

Grade 11 • ENG3U1 • University

English

Grade 12 • ENG4C1 • College

English

Grade 12 • ENG4E1 • Workplace

English

Grade 12 • ENG4U1 • University

Ontario Literacy Course

Grade 12 • OLC4O1 • Open

English

Grade 12 • ENG4U1 • University

Prerequisites missing

Description

This course emphasizes the consolidation of the literacy, communication, and critical and creative thinking skills necessary for success in academic and daily life. Students will analyse a range of challenging literary texts from various periods, countries, and cultures; interpret and evaluate informational and graphic texts; and create oral, written, and media texts in a variety of forms. An important focus will be on using academic language coherently and confidently, selecting the reading strategies best suited to particular texts and particular purposes for reading, and developing greater control in writing. The course is intended to prepare students for university, college, or the workplace. Students considering moving from one destination to another (e.g., college to university; workplace to college) must successfully complete a transfer course.

Prerequisites

ENG3U1 or NBE3U1

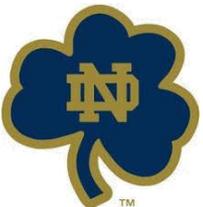
Course Status

Planned

In-Progress

Completed

Add Course



- Home
- Who Am I
- High School
- Post-Secondary
- Work
- Money
- Guides
- Favourites

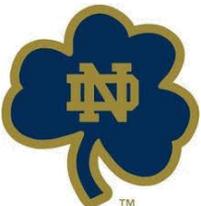
High School

Plan Courses

Add Courses for each required box specific to your grade
Don't forget your 2 alternates!!

Notre Dame Secondary School

Grade 9 Plan Ahead	Grade 10 Plan Ahead	Grade 11 Plan Ahead
English ENG1D1 • 1 Credit	+ English	+ English
Foundations of Mathe... MFM1P1 • 1 Credit	+ Mathematics	+ Mathematics
Science SNC1D1 • 1 Credit	+ Science	+ Religion
Extended French FEF1DF • 1 Credit	+ History	+ Course
CDN Geography (Exte... CGC1DF • 1 Credit	+ Civics	+ Course
Religious Education HRE1O1 • 1 Credit	+ Careers	+ Course
Exploring Tech-Traditi... TIJ1OT • 1 Credit	+ Religion	+ Course
Information Communi...	+ Course	+ Course



REVIEW AND SUBMIT COURSES

Official High School Plan ● [Course Calendar](#) [View Plans](#) **Graduation Indicator**

✖ Your courses are **Not Submitted**

1 Step 1 **2** Step 2 **3** Step 3

Add Courses Review Courses Submit Courses [Review Course Selections](#)

Grade 9 Next Year	Grade 10 Plan Ahead	Grade 11 Plan Ahead	Grade 12 Plan Ahead
English ENG1D1 • 1 Credit	+ English	+ English	+ English
Foundations of Mathe... MFM1P1 • 1 Credit	+ Mathematics	+ Mathematics	+ Course
Science SNC1D1 • 1 Credit	+ Science	+ Course	+ Course
Learning Strategies I - ... GLS1O1 • 1 Credit	+ History	+ Course	+ Course
Dance ATC1O1 • 1 Credit	+ Civics	+ Course	+ Course
Healthy Active Living ... PPL1OM • 1 Credit	+ Careers	+ Course	+ Course
Food and Nutrition HFN1O1 • 1 Credit	+ Course	+ Course	
Issues in Canadian Ge... CGC1D1 • 1 Credit	+ Course	+ Course	

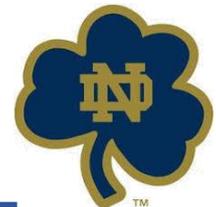
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Planned _____ 8
Earned _____ 0
Required _____ 8/30
Total Credits _____ 8

[View Progress](#)

Pathway Eligibility

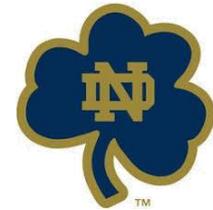
Apprenticeship _____ 2
College _____ 0
University _____ 0
Workplace _____ 0



Review your courses and click Review and then Submit

Note: You will not be able to change your course selections in myBlueprint after this step.

THE LAST STEP PARENT/GUARDIAN APPROVAL



! Email your parent/guardian so that they may confirm your selections

1 Step 1
Add Courses

2 Step 2
Review Courses

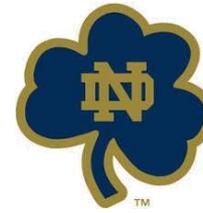
3 Step 3
Submit Courses

Send Approval Email



You will require your Parent or Guardian email for this step.

IMPORTANT



The course selection process is not complete until we receive parent or guardian approval.



Make sure you check and use the proper parent/guardian email.

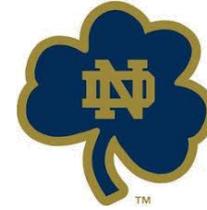


Please let them know that you have submitted your courses and they will need to check their emails for approval.

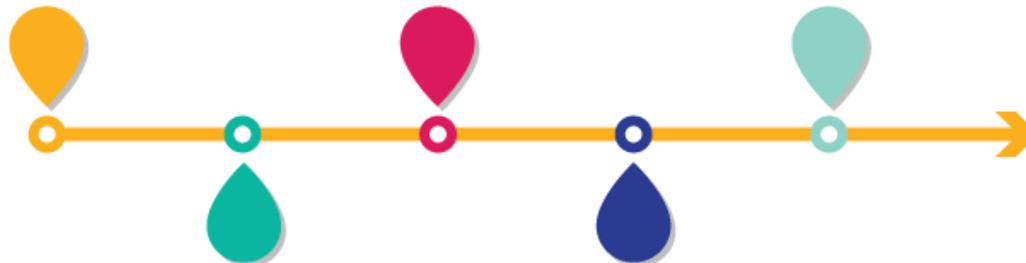




TIMELINES- Part 1

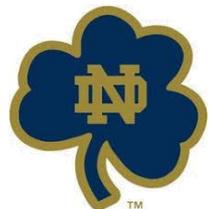
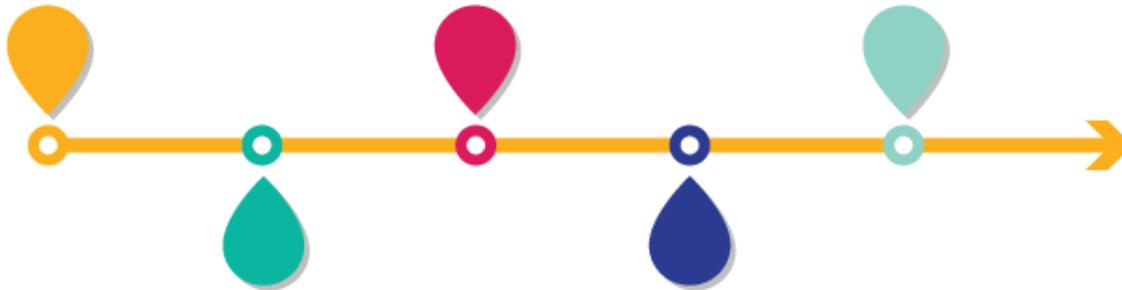


- ▶ **FEBRUARY:** COURSE SELECTION PRESENTATIONS
- ▶ Course & career counselling by appointment.
- ▶ Pay the \$65 activity fee through schoolcashonline
- ▶ myBlueprint will open on Tuesday, February 17, 2026
- ▶ **MARCH:** Courses due Thursday, March 5, 2026



TIMELINES- Part 2

- ▶ **May & June:** Opportunity for Course changes if needed
- ▶ **End of August:** Schedules will be available Online through SIS



reminder

Next Steps

- Start planning your courses now – Should I make an appointment with my guidance counsellor?
- Speak to your classroom teacher about courses.
- Research course descriptions on myBlueprint & ND website.
- myBlueprint opens for course submission on Tuesday, February 17th.
- Deadline to submit courses is on Thursday, March 5th.
- Remember to pay the \$65 activity fee through <https://hcdsb.schoolcashonline.com/>

ANY QUESTIONS??????

