

Grade 9 Program

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School





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Ontario Secondary School Diploma

30 credits (graduating class of June 2024)

- **18 compulsory credits**
- **12 elective credits**
- (4 Religion courses compulsory, 1 in each year)
- 40 hrs. Community Involvement Activities
- The Provincial Literacy Requirement





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Community Involvement

Minimum 40 hours beginning summer before Grade 9

- Encourages civic responsibility, Catholic values, and importance of volunteering
- Supports career explorations
- Students may begin community hours starting July 1st 2020
- Ministry and Board Guidelines governing placements





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OSSD Literacy Test Requirement

MUST meet Literacy Test requirement to graduate (recorded on OST-transcript)

- Students take Literacy Test in Grade 10
- If student is unable to meet standards on first attempt;
 - Help available with an after school Literacy program to help prepare them for retaking the test in Grade 11
 - Still unsuccessful - can take and pass OLC401 course in Grade 12





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Our School Year

Semester School with 8 courses over two semesters

- 4 courses from September to January
- 4 courses from February to June

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Four courses daily (75 minutes each)

Period 1, Period 2, Period 3, Period 4 and period 5

50 minute Lunch 3 or 4

(ALL GRADE 9 STUDENTS HAVE LUNCH TOGETHER)



6 Compulsories



	Academic	Applied	Locally Developed
English	ENG1D1	ENG1P1	ENG1L1
Math	MPM1D1	MFM1P1	MAT1L1
Science	SNC1D1	SNC1P1	SNC1L1
Geography	CGC1D1	CGC1P1	
French	FSF1D1	FSF1P1	
Religion	HRE1O1		



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Extended French Certificate

- Earned by completing 7 specific French Courses
 - 4 Extended French Courses
 - FEF1D1
 - FEF2D1
 - FEF3U1
 - FEF4U1
 - CGC1DF Grade 9 Geography taught in French
 - CHC2DF Grade 10 History taught in French
 - HFT3MF Grade 11 World Religions taught in French



Grade 9 Electives (Select Two)



AVI101	Visual Arts
AMU101	Music
ADA101	Dramatic Arts
NAC 101	Expressions of First Nations, Metis and Inuit Cultures
BTT101	Business Technology
BBI101	Introduction to Business
GLS101	Learning Strategies
PPL10F	Female Gym
PPL10M	Male Gym
TIJ101	Introduction to Technology
TFJ101	Food and Nutrition
TGJ101	Introduction to Communication Tech
TXJ101	Cosmetology
GLE101	Learning Strategies Course

****Choose Carefully and remember to Select 2 Alternates! ****



Teacher Recommendation?

- Grade 8 Teachers will be recommending streams based on individual strengths.
- We ask that you work with the Grade 8 Teachers to select the right stream for your child.
- They see what your son/daughter is demonstrating on a daily basis
- Grade 8 Teachers will make their recommendation at the bottom of the option sheet.





Grade 9 Course Selection Guide

- Part D: Teacher Recommendations

	Math	English	Science	Geography	French
Academic					
Applied					
Locally Developed					

Academic, Applied or Open?



• Academic (D)

- Focus on the essential concepts of the discipline and the exploration of related concepts i.e. ENG1D, MPM1D
- Greater emphasis on THEORY as a basis for future learning and problem solving.

• Applied (P)

- Course work relates to familiar real-life situations and provides students with the opportunity for hands-on application of the concepts they learn i.e. ENG1P1, MFM1P

• Open (O)

- These courses have one set of learning expectations. Students in all levels are able to take these courses i.e. HRE101, BTT101





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Locally Developed

- **Locally Developed (L)**
- Developed by HCDSB to meet educational requirements not met by provincial curriculum documents (Grade 9 and 10, Math, Science, English)





ST. THOMAS AQUINAS SECONDARY SCHOOL 2020–2021 COURSE SELECTION GUIDE

Grade 12

Please Note: Activity fee is \$65.00. This fee is an annual voluntary fee that is used to offset costs for school initiatives, materials, and activities that enhance the school experience for our students. In accordance with policy II-47, it is our Board's commitment that every student should have equal opportunity to benefit from the school environment, regardless of financial hardships or barriers. Families who are unable to pay school fees are encouraged to contact the school Principal. Please make cheques payable to St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School. Please be advised that some course offerings may be cancelled due to low student interest. Not all course selections are guaranteed. Students will be able to make course changes until the end of JUNE. For course descriptions and compulsory credits please refer to www.myblueprint.ca/hcdsb

LAST NAME: _____

FIRST NAME: _____

DATE: _____

	RELIGION	ARTS	BUSINESS	ENGLISH	MODERNS	MATH	SCIENCE	CANADIAN & WORLD STUDIES	PHYS ED.	SOCIAL SCIENCES	TECHNOLOGICAL STUDIES	ELEARNING Application Required Must Select ELEARN And See Guidance Counsellor
Grade 10	HRE201 AMG201 AMU201 AMV201 AVI201	ADA201 BTT201	BBI201 BTT201	ENG2D1 ENG2P1 ENG2L1	FSF2D1 FSF2P1 FEF2D1* (Extended French) LWIBD1 (Italian)	MPM2D1 MFM2P1 MAT2L1	SNC2D1 SNC2P1 SNC2L1	CHC2D1 CHC2P1 CHC2L1 CHC2DF* (Extended French) CHV2O5/GLC2O5	PPL2OF (female) PPL2OM (male) PAL2OB (court sports) PAL2OS (field sports)		TCJ2O1/F (construction/female) TEJ2O1/F (engineering/female) TGJ2O1 (comm. tech.) TTJ2O1 (transportation) TXJ2O1 (cosmetology) TPJ2O1 (health care) ICS2O1 (Computer Science)	Select ELEARN Course Offerings: AMS2OE Application form required
Grade 11	HRT3M1 HRF3O1 HRT3MF* (Extended French) Pick one from each shaded area	ADA3M1 AMU3M1 AMV3O1 AVI3M1 AVI3O1	BAF3M1 BBI3C1	ENG3U1 ENG3C1 ENG3E1 EMS3O1	FSF 3U1 FEF3U1* (Extended French)	MCR3U1 MCF3M1 MBF3C1 MEL3E1	SBI3U1 SBI3C1 SCH3U1 SPH3U1	CLU3M1 CHA3U1 CHW3M1 CIE3M1	PAD3O1 (outdoor ed) PAI3OR (leisure) PAF3OB (male weight training) PAF3OG (female weight training) PPL3OF (female fun fit) PAL3OS (field sports) PAL3OB (court sports) PPL3OM (male)	HLS3O1 HSP3U1 HSP3C1 NDA3M1	TCJ3C1/F(construction/female) TDJ3M1/O (tech design) TEJ3M1 (engineering) TFJ3C1 (hospitality) TGG3MY (yearbook) TGJ3M1/O (comm. tech) TGR3M1 (radio/audio) TGP3M1 (photography) TPJ3M1/C (health care) TTJ3C1 (transportation) TXH3E1 (cosmetology) ICS3U1 (Computer Science)	Select ELEARN Course Offerings: EMS 3OE GWL 3OE PPZ 3CE Application form required
Grade 12	HRE4M1 HRE4O1 HSE4M1 Pick one from each shaded area	ADA4M1 AMU4M1 AVI4M1 AVI4E1	BAT4M1 BBB4M1 BOH4M1 IDC4UB IDC4OS	ENG4U1 ENG4C1 ENG4E1 EWC4U1 ETS4U1 OLC4O1 IDC4UP	FSF4U1 FEF4U1* (Extended French)	MCV4U1 MDM4U1 MHF4U1 MAP4C1 MCT4C1 MEL4E1	SBI4U1 SCH4U1 SCH4C1 SPH4U1 SPH4C1	CGW4U1 CLN4U1 CLN4C1 CHY4U1 CPW4U1 CIA4U1	PAD4O1 (outdoor ed) PPL4OF (female fun fit) PAI4OR (leisure) PPL4OM (male) PAF4OB (male weight training) PAF4OG (female weight training) PSK4U1 (kinesiology) PLF4M1 (leadership)	HFA4C1 HFA4U1 HHG4M1 HHS4U1 HHS4C1 HSB4U1	TCJ4C1 (construction) TDJ4M1/O (tech design) TEJ4M1 (engineering) TFJ4C1 (hospitality) TGG4MY (yearbook) TGJ4M1/O (comm. tech) TOJ4C1 (gerontology) TPJ4M1/C (health care) TTJ4C1 (transportation) TXH4E1 (cosmetology) ICS4U1 (Computer Science)	Select ELEARN Course Offerings: ENG 4UE HHG 4ME HRE 4ME PSK 4UE SCH 4CE SPH 4CE MCT 4CE Application form required

Co-Op Education (2 Credits)	Special Education	ESL			Alternates			Student Signature: _____
NGC30C (GRADE 11)	GLE2O (Grade 10) GLE3O (Grade 11) GLE4O (Grade 12)	ESLA	ESLB				1. _____	Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____
NGC40C (GRADE 12)		ESLC	ESLD	ESLE			2. _____	

Online Banking (please attach receipt) Cheque (please indicate student's name on cheque)

Website

- www.myblueprint.ca/hcdsb



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How do I get into this program?


Admission Requirements

High School Plan

 Download

Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) 


Grade 12 English (ENG4U) 

One of the following courses: Grade 12 Mathematics of Data Management (MDM4U), Grade 12 Advanced Functions (MHF4U) -or- Grade 12 Calculus and Vectors (MCV4U) 

Grade 12 Biology (SBI4U) 

Minimum Average

Mid 80s

 Please carefully review all admission requirements and visit the program website directly to confirm requirements consistent with the requirements listed.



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Expenses

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Tuition (In-Province) \$7,423.76 for 1 year(s)

Tuition (International) \$23,500 - \$32,000 for 1 year(s)

Residence Cost \$5,000 - \$8,300

Meal Plan Cost \$2,400 - \$4,000



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Toronto, ON



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Toronto, ON



Assistant Teacher- preschool/kinder

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Solutions
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Work: Teacher Posting

St. Gabriel School

Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board - Brantford, ON

As a Catholic Learning Community, we provide faith formation and academic excellence, which enable our graduates to live a life of love and service in Christ.

JOB POSTING #GEN-17-41

EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT ST. GABRIEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, BRANTFORD

Full Time, 35.0 Hours Per Week – 10 Month Position Effective: Immediately

As a collaborative team member, the Educational Assistant is responsible for the care of and facilitation of the education of students with special needs and exceptionalities in an educational setting.

Qualifications

Successful completion of a post secondary educational assistant program (normally one year), or equivalent, plus a minimum of one year experience working with children;

Relevant additional training is an asset;

Ability and willingness to perform required physical tasks, including toileting and lifting;

A positive and empathetic attitude towards students;

Ability to maintain discretion with confidential information;

Ability to function independently within the framework of a team; and

Basic knowledge in the use of computer software.

My blueprint



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Grade 9 Current Year	Grade 10 Next Year	Grade 11 Plan Ahead	Grade 12 Plan Ahead
+ English	+ English	+ English	+ English
+ Mathematics	+ Mathematics	+ Mathematics	+ Religion
+ Science	+ Science	+ Religion	+ Course
+ French As a Secon...	+ History	+ Course	+ Course
+ Geography	+ Civics	+ Course	+ Course
+ Religion	+ Careers	+ Course	+ Course
+ Course	+ Religion	+ Course	+ Course
+ Course	+ Course	+ Course	+ Course



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Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)

- Health Care and Wellness
- ICT (Information Communication Technology)

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)



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Student Success

Supports the individual needs of the students as they move from elementary to secondary school.

Monitoring/support by a caring adult and the school Student Success Team.

Helps student who are;

- performing at level 1 or below, attendance concerns, other?!
- being supported/monitored with no IEP
- Math Help and L2L Tutoring to support student learning

✓ Consider GLS101 Learning Strategies

- Benefit from taking course
- To support other courses



OPTION SHEET PACKAGES

- **FOS Students**

- Option Sheet Packages were handed out to HCDSB students during Guidance Counsellor Visits to our Associate Schools this week. MyBlueprint is now activated for submission. Please wait for teacher recommendations before you submit.

- **From Other Boards**

- Option Sheet Registration Packages will be handed out tonight at the Guidance/Student Services Table in the Atrium



Family of Schools

1. Option Sheet with School Recommendations
2. On-line myBlueprint Sign-Off Sheet
3. Parental/Guardian Consent form
4. \$65 Activity Fee* (School Cash Online Receipt)

OTHER BOARDS

1. Option Sheet with School Recommendations
2. Parental/Guardian Consent form
3. Registration Form and Checklist
4. \$65 Activity Fee* (Cheque Payable to St. Thomas Aquinas)

*Activity Fees are used to enhance a student's school life experience through materials and activities such as: athletics, yearbook, agendas, guest speakers etc.



Grade 9 Option Sheet / Guide

PART A: Selection of the 6 compulsory courses.

PART B: Selection of 2 elective courses and 2 alternates.

PART C: Special Education.

PART D: ***School Recommendations***

PART E: **SIGNATURES AT BOTTOM**

Don't forget To sign the Disclosure of Student Information, Photo/Video Consent, Computer Use Policy, and Inclement Weather Dismissal

All signatures must be there, or the option sheet will be returned and the courses will not be entered until it is completed.



Important Deadlines

- Sunday, December 1st, 2019 (For Family of School Students)
 - Last day to submit courses through myblueprint
- Monday, December 2nd, 2019 (For Family of School Students)
 - Signed option sheet, signed student information/consent form, myblueprint printout and cashless receipt submitted to Gr. 8 Teacher
- Monday, December 2nd, 2019 (For students from other boards)
 - Signed option sheet, signed student information/consent form, \$65 cheque and all required documents handed into St. Thomas Aquinas Student Services Dept.



Dates to Remember

Sun. Dec. 1 st	On-line registration deadline(HCDSB)
Mon. Dec. 2 nd	Registration package due to Grade 8 Teachers (HCDSB)
	Registration package due to STA for non-HCDSB students
February 2020	Verification/Amendment forms to students at Associate Schools or mailed for non-HCDSB students
June 2020	Final course selection finalized
End of August	Grade 9 student timetables ready



Thank you for coming tonight!

