# Post-Secondary Information (PSI) Night

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## **Agenda**

### 1. Career Path & Exploration

- Choosing an Academic Pathway
- Career planning
- Argyle career support
- Resources: My Blueprint
- Graduation vs. Post-Secondary requirements
- DVR

### 2. Post-Secondary Pathways

- Pathways and outcomes
- Where should I study?
- Trades and skill-based programs
- Finding information

### 3. How? And Next Steps

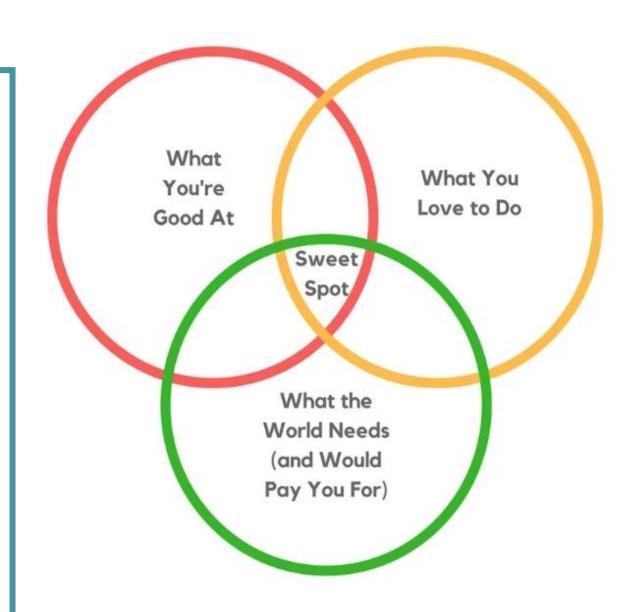
- Entrance requirement differences
- Kinds of Admissions
- Timeline
- Applications
- Education Planner BC
- Transcripts and the STS
- \$ & Scholarships
- Next steps

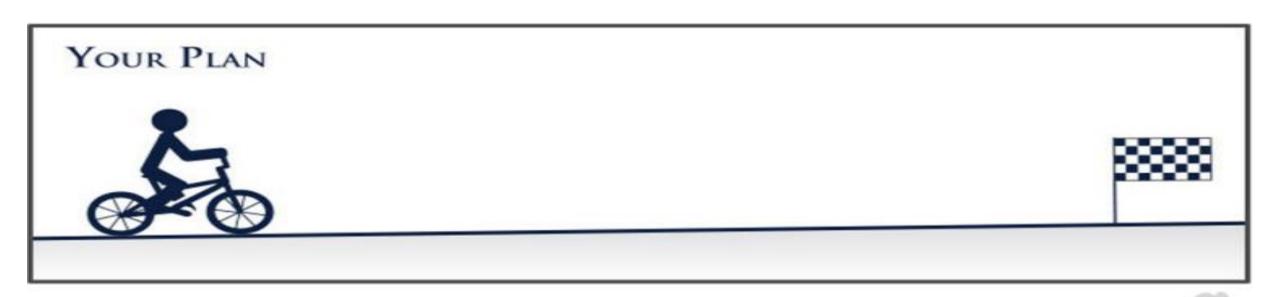
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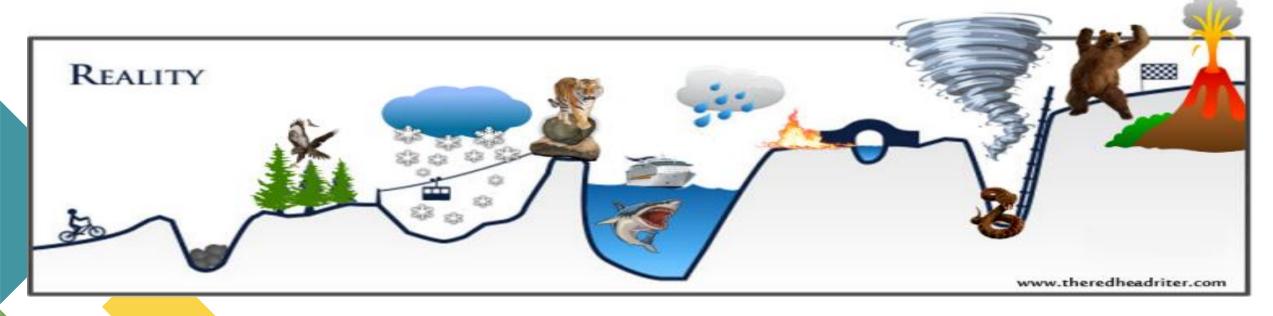


# **Choosing an Academic Pathway**

- It is <u>not</u> necessary for students to know what they want to do for the rest of their life at 16-18
  - The average person switches careers 3-7 times in a lifetime!
- Take courses that will keep options open
  - BUT it's okay to "close doors" if that path is not right
- Exploration
  - Encourage trying new things! There are now careers we couldn't have even dreamed of 10 years ago.







## **Career Planning**



# **Career Programs** at Argyle

Students may think that they do not have knowledge about postsecondary... but with CLE 10 and CLC 12, they do!

### CLE 10 - CAREER EDUCATION 10

Mandatory course that focuses on goal setting, employability skills, initial career exploration, financial planning, and workplace safety

### CLC 12 A & B - CAREER LIFE EDUCATION 12 (Gr. 11 & 12)

Grad requirement where students refine career-life development goals and prepare for post-secondary transition, along with presenting a Capstone presentation reflecting on their secondary school experience.



## **Career Programs** at Argyle

Argyle offers various elective career programs designed to help students explore their interests and prepare for future pathways. These programs include hands-on learning opportunities, industry certifications, and connections to trades, technology, and other vocations and professions.

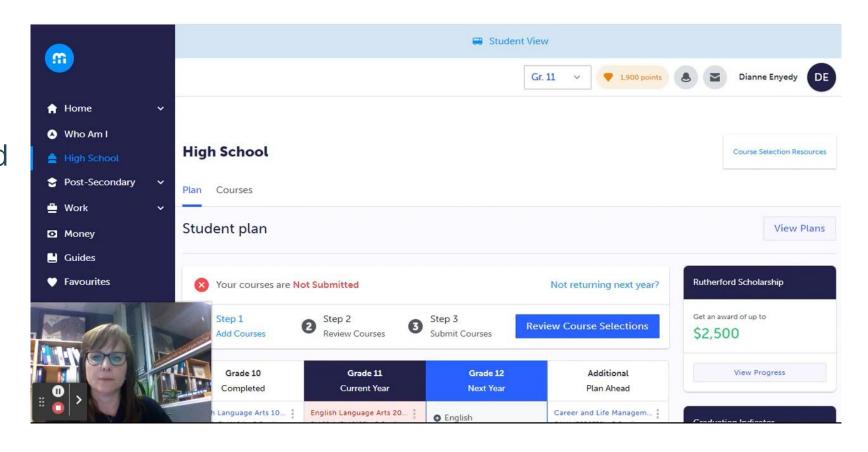
### WEX – WORK EXPERIENCE

Allows students to gain skills and knowledge through a 90 to 120 hour work placement (4-5 hr/week) in a field of interest. Contact Robbin Mair <a href="mair@sd44.ca">rmair@sd44.ca</a> for more info

### Co-op Career Program (Year 1 & 2)

- (1) Provides trade-related placements throughout the school year. Contact Wayne Shaw wshaw@sd44.ca for more info
- (2) Youth-in-Trades: for students continuing trade under certified professional supervision. Contact for more info Mr. Shaw wshaw@sd44.ca, such as full-time enrollment for 3 months with local institutions.

- 1. Career exploration and post-secondary program research.
- 2. Goal-setting tools and financial planning (scholarships, budgeting).
- 3. Help students make informed decisions about their future, aligned with school and provincial requirements.



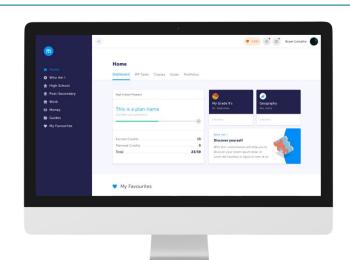
# What is MyBlueprint?

### 1. Ask your child to log in

 Go to www.myblueprint.ca and select your school district or province, and use school-provided credentials

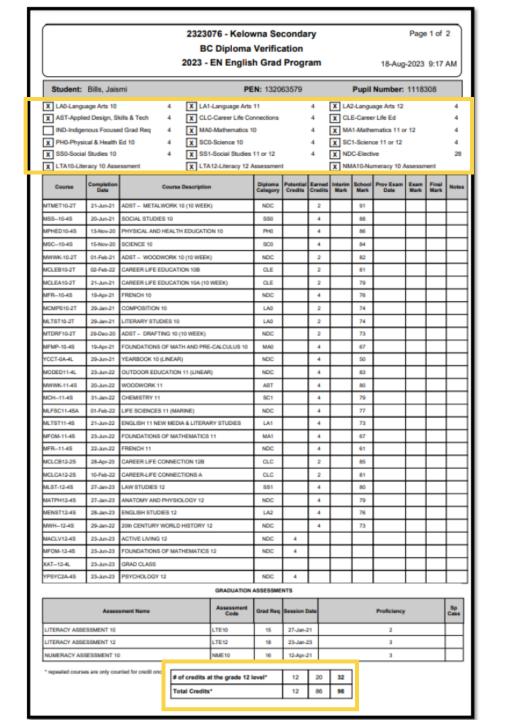
## 2. Families <u>can create a linked account</u> for collaborative planning!

Under the child's account go to: Account Settings » My Links » Add Link »
 Input family's name and email address



# Linking your MyBlueprint

## The DVR



The D-V-What?

# <u>Diploma</u> <u>Verification</u> <u>Report</u>

What is it?

The school record of a student's

- 1. Completed Graduation Requirements
- 2. Status towards Graduation

The two highlighted areas are explained in the next slide

## The DVR

1. At the top of the DVR is a list of graduation requirements and boxes.

A box is **partially** checked if:

A course is on a student's timetable, but not yet completed

A box is **fully** checked if:

X A course has received a final mark

This example includes *French Immersion* requirements:

X LA0-Language Arts 10	4	\ LA1-Language Arts 11	4	LA2-Language Arts 12
X FL0-Français langue immersion 10	4	TL1-Français langue immersion 11	4	FL2-Français langue immersion 12
X AST-Applied Design, Skills & Tech	4	CLC-Career Life Connections	4	X CLE-Career Life Ed
ND-Indigenous Grad Requirement	4	X MA0-Mathematics 10	4	X MA1-Mathematics 11 or 12
X PH0-Physical & Health Ed 10	4	X SC0-Science 10	4	SC1-Science 11 or 12
X SS0-Social Studies 10	4	SS1-Social Studies 11 or 12	4	NDC-Elective
MER-Multilingual Equivalency Req	12	X LTA10-Literacy 10 Assessment		LTA12-Literacy 12 Assessment
FLA2-Évaluation de littératie 12		X NMA10-Numeracy 10 Assessment		

# of credits at the grade 12 level*	14	2	16
Total Credits*	26	49	75

2. At the bottom of the DVR is a tally. The **total credits** includes current courses to be completed by the end of the school year.

## The DVR

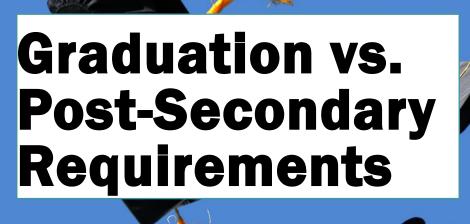
### DIPLOMA VERIFICATION REPORT

A Student's Requirements & Graduation Status

Students can see their Graduation Status in MyEdBC

Grade 11s will receive a copy of their **Diploma Verification Reports** from Argyle ahead of their Grade 12 *Course Programming* in February.

If a box is unchecked, this course <u>must</u> be taken in order to graduate!



**BC Graduation Requirements** 

80 credits required

Standards set by
Ministry of
Education

GPA not applicable for graduation, only credits

# Post-Secondary Requirements

Each postsecondary program has individual requirements

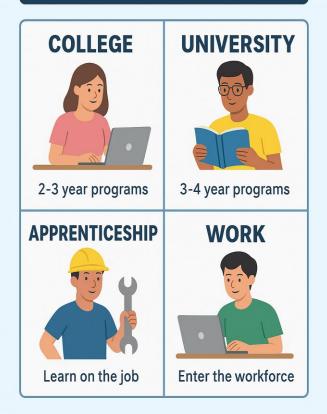
Pre-requisite standards must be met to be accepted

 Varies by institution/program

Often requires specific courses at higher level than BC Graduation at higher GPA



## POST-SECONDARY PATHWAYS IN CANADA



### Traditional & Specialty University

 Leads to bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees; prepares for professional careers, research, and some advanced fields

### College

 Provides diplomas, certificates, and practical training; leads to skilled technical jobs and career-focused employment

### Apprenticeships and Skilled Trades

 Combines classroom learning with hands-on experience; results in journeyperson certification (red seal) and skilled trades careers

### Direct Workforce Entry

 Immediate employment or entrepreneurship after secondary school; allows for on-the-job training and career advancement through experience

# Post-Secondary Pathways & Outcomes

	Specialty Universities	Traditional Universities	
Primary Focus	Deep specialization in fields like arts, design, or applied science	Broad academic disciplines and research	
Program Offerings	Diplomas, undergraduate & graduate degrees	Undergraduate, graduate & doctoral degrees	
Key Characteristics	Smaller classes, niche industry connections, hands-on skills	Larger class sizes, high research output, more theoretical learning	
Examples	Emily Carr University, Royal Roads University	UBC, SFU, UVic, UNBC, CapU	

## Where Should I Study?

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	<b>L</b> Colleges	Technical Institutes
Primary Focus	Diverse programs, can include university transfer options	Practical, hands-on training in trades and applied technology
Program Offerings	Diplomas, certificates, associate, and some bachelor's degrees	Certificates, diplomas, red seal certifications, applied degrees
Key Characteristics	Varying class sizes, teaching- focused, co-op's/internships	Smaller classes, strong industry focus and job market alignment. Working professionals as instructors
Examples	Douglas College, Langara College	BCIT, SAIT

## Trades and Skilled Work - in Secondary

1. Co-Op: Work Experience: (Year 1 – Grade 11 or Grade 12)

Program by application: job shadowing, guest speakers and training to promote job access, leading to unpaid community work placement, while earning credits (up to 12). Contact <u>Career Centre</u>.

2. Youth Work in Trades (Possible Year 2, G12, with sponsor)

If students have a certified journeyperson sponsor them, they can build a work-based training program where students earn high school credits for paid work in a trade.

3. Youth Train in Trades: (Possible Year 2, G12, with sponsor)

Dual-credit program allowing students to begin trades training while earning high school credits. Requires student to have an existing apprenticeship opportunity.



- Co Op Work Experience
- Youth Train in Trades
- <u>Trades Discovery</u><u>Program</u>
- Youth Work in Trades
- Other opportunities through <u>Careers 44</u>

# Finding Information: Resources

### **Argyle Website**

- o Post-Secondary Events
- Post-Secondary Information

Post-Secondary BC information from a consortium of primarily public post-secondary institutions in BC

University Study One-stop access to trusted, up-to-date information about all aspects of the Canadian university experience from application to graduation

Education Planner BC personalized, interactive education and career planning tool

Job Bank federal tool for job search's, labour market info, training opportunities, and planning advice

Study and Go Abroad: Canadian information for post-secondary study abroad



## **Kinds of Admissions**

### **Open Enrollment**



- Non-competitive admission process
- Common in college arts and sciences programs
- Requires secondary school diploma for eligibility

### **Limited Admission**



- Admissions until all spaces are filled, provided minimum requirements met
- Predominantly for certificate and diploma programs, and some trades
- May involve long waitlists - "first come, first served"

## Selective Admission

- Highly competitive, typical in traditional universities and high-demand programs
- Requires
   admission
   submission before
   strict deadlines
- Mandates proof of specific courses and marks – admission can be revoked if grades decline or reported inaccurately

## Early Admission

- Offers extended based on mid-year or Grade 11 marks
- Adherence to specific criteria, deadlines essential
- Typically, only accepts top 3% of applications – rejection does NOT exclude you from selective admissions process later



What do I need to do to study at a post-secondary school in in Canada...?

# Example 1: UBC Requirements



- Considers grades in ALL academic Grade 11 and 12 courses with specific requirements needed to be met
  - Engineering

#### **English language requirement**

English is the language of instruction at UBC. All prospective students must demonstrate English-language competency prior to admission. There are numerous ways to meet the **English Language Admission Standard**.

#### **General admission requirements**

- Graduation from high school
- Minimum of 70% in Grade 11 or Grade 12 English (or their equivalents)
- At least six academic/non-academic Grade 12 courses (recommended, but not required)

UBC considers your grades in all academic Grade 11 and Grade 12 classes, paying special attention to courses that relate to the degree you're applying to.

#### **Degree-specific requirements**



Applied Science (Engineering)



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### Grade 12 requirements

- English Studies 12 or English First Peoples 12
- Pre-Calculus 12
- Chemistry 12 (outstanding candidates missing Chemistry 12 or equivalent are encouraged to apply and will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis)
- Physics 12 (outstanding candidates missing Physics 12 or equivalent are encouraged to apply and will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis)

#### Grade 11 requirements

- Chemistry 11
- Physics 11

#### Related courses

The following **subject categories** are particularly relevant for this degree. Consider taking courses in these areas in Grade 11 and Grade 12.

- · Language Arts
- Mathematics and Computation
- Sciences





Grade 12 Course	British Columbia Equivalent
English	English Studies 12
Biology	Anatomy & Physiology 12
Calculus	Calculus 12
Chemistry	Chemistry 12
Physics	Physics 12
Pre-Calculus or Math	Pre-Calculus 12

### **British Columbia and Yukon**

You'll need:

- A completed secondary school diploma or certificate by June
- Five acceptable academic courses numbered 12
  - English 12 or English First Peoples 12
  - Specific requirements for your program
- Proof of English Language Proficiency if English is not your first language

- Average based on 5 accepted Grade 12 academic courses
  - Engineering

## **Example 3: BCIT Requirements**

Must take
 assessments at BCIT to
 prove readiness (0
 specific course
 requirements)



## Trades Discovery General

sociate Certificate / Full-time / School of Transportation

### Entrance requirements

Applicants must meet all entrance requirements and will be accepted on a first-qualified basis as long as space remains. When available intakes are full, qualified applicants are wait-listed.

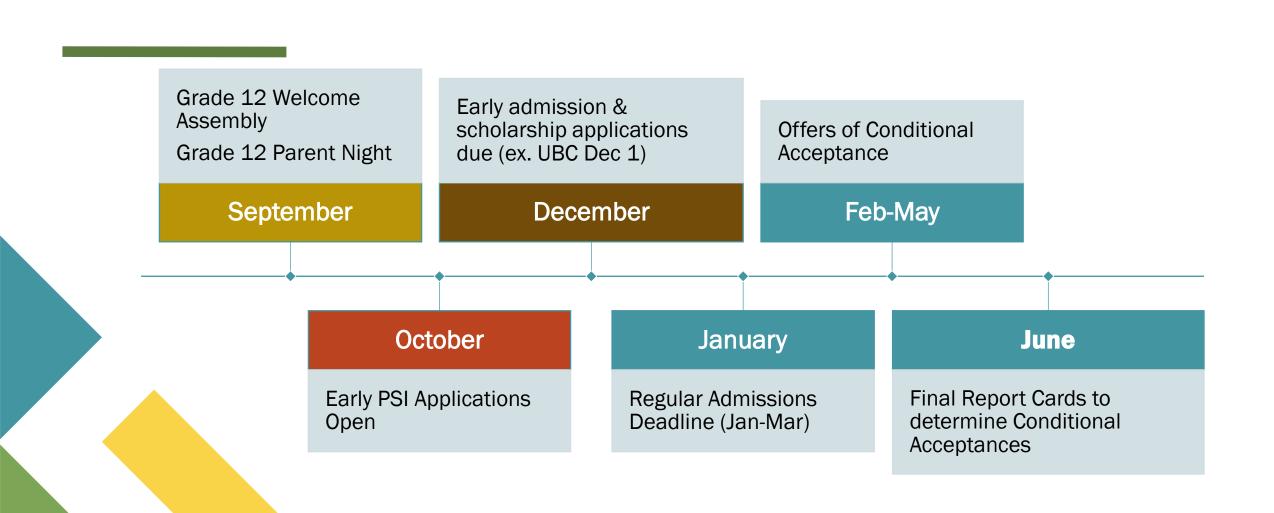
Applicants must meet all entrance requirements prior to applying to this program:

- BCIT English Trades Entry Assessment
- BCIT Math Trades Entry Assessment
- BCIT Mechanical Reasoning Trades Entry Assessment

Visit the Trades Access website for samples of the Trades Entry Assessment.

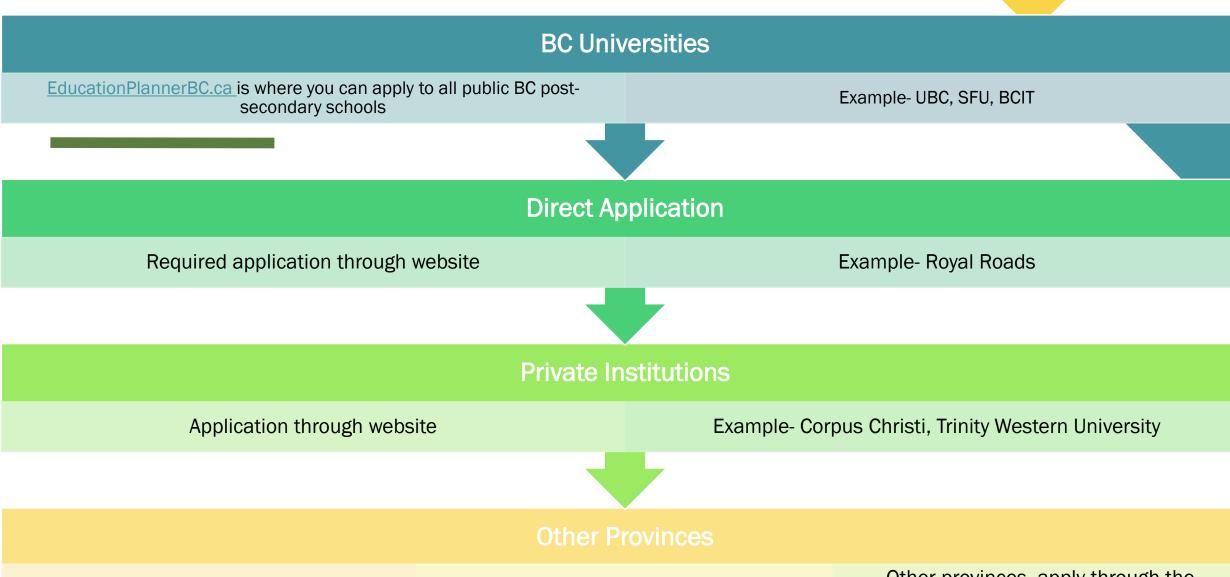
Read more about how to meet BCIT's entrance requirements

## \*General Post-Secondary Timeline



## **How to Apply**

For Alberta institutions: applyalberta.ca



For Ontario institutions: ouac.on.ca

Other provinces, apply through the institutions' websites

## **Education** PlannerBC.ca

## **Applying to Schools**

- Instructions on sharing your transcript electronically for post-secondary schools
- Click STUDENTS APPLY ONLINE to see video



**View Grades** and Assessment results



Order and send transcript to **Post-Secondary Institutions** (PSIs)



View transcript order, status and history



Order and send transcript to **Employers and** designated **Third Parties** 



View BC scholarships awarded, expiry and redemption status



#### Get Started To register for STS

- · Basic BCeID
- · Personal Education
- Full legal name





# **Transcripts and the STS**

- Official Ministry of Education record of successfully-completed grade 10, 11, and 12 courses, grad assessments, and external credits
  - Register for a BCeID
- •Order transcripts through Student Transcript Services (STS) – not done through Argyle



### StudentTranscripts Service

### Information For Students

StudentTranscripts Service (STS) is an online application for students to view their school marks, transcripts, scholarships and send transcripts electronically to post secondary institutions and employers.



### **Get Started**

- To register for STS students will need:
- Personal Education
   Number (DEN)
- Full legal name
- Date of birth
- Email address
- Step 1 Go to the Ministry of Education's Transcripts and Certificate website at http://www.StudentTranscripts.gov.bc.ca.
- Step 2 You must sign up for a BCeID before you can use the StudentTranscripts Service.

  For BCeID signup, you need to:

  Sign Up for a BCeID
  - Complete the fields to register for a basic BCeID
  - Select your password reset questions and answers (remember these as you will need them if you forget your password)
  - Follow the system prompts and sign up for StudentTranscripts Service.
- Step 3 Log-in to StudentTranscripts Service using your BCeID.
  When registering for the Student Transcript Service using your BCeID, you will be prompted to:
  - Enter your student information used by your school (see Get Started information above)
  - Read the personal data collection info and complete the process by clicking "submit"
  - An email will be sent to the email address provided and must be activated within 24 hours of receipt or you will need to complete the registration process again
  - Once activated, you will be able to log onto STS using your BCelD and password.

but official transcripts will be sent out when ordered.

Log in with BCeID

Step 4 From your STS Dashboard, you can choose your post-secondary institutions (PSIs) selections, preview, send and order transcripts, view exam and assessment results and view scholarship information. Please note that all transcripts previewed in the STS are considered unofficial,

You will need to consent to the STS privacy notice which enables the ministry to send your transcripts to your selected PSIs by paper or electronically depending on how the PSI is able to receive transcripts. Printed copies of transcripts may take up to 3 weeks for processing and delivery to your selected PSIs.

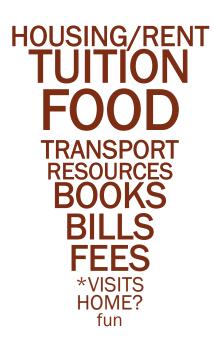
### Troubleshooting:

For BCeID questions: https://www.bceId.ca

For StudentTranscripts questions: servicebc@gov.bc.ca.

## **Financial Considerations**

### **Expenses**



### Money to Keep

- Scholarships (merit-based)
- Bursaries (need-based)
- Savings, Part-time Job
- Opportunities:
  - scholartree.ca
  - scholarshipscanada.com
  - <u>studentawards.com</u>
  - yconic.com
  - Argyle Website!

### Money to Pay Back

- Student Loans Federal program run by the province of BC
- For more info: studentaidbc.ca
- Note, student loans have a variety of criteria that you and your program of choice must meet to obtain a loan
- Talk to your financial institution if you have contributed to RESPs for support on how to use them

## **Scholarships**

### 2025-2026 Master List



### **BC Ministry of Education**

- Scholarships and awards sponsored by the provincial government to recognize academic achievement
- Some application through Ministry, some no application required



### Post-Secondary Schools

- Scholarships and bursaries offered directly by colleges and universities to attract top students
- Apply with application or offered with acceptance



### **Private & Local Sponsors**

- Scholarships from businesses, organizations, and community groups to support local students
- Apply individually



### Argyle/NVSD

- District and school level awards recognizing exceptional achievement and community involvement.
- Applications through school in Grade 12 open in December

# **Next Steps**

# How can parents/guardians support in Grade 10/11?

- Encourage exploration, not perfection
- Talk about interests, not just grades
- Visit campuses or attend virtual tours
- Ask about deadlines and paperwork
- Celebrate small steps—this is a journey!



# Thank you

Ms. Lyons and Mrs. Peers



