

HANDSWORTH SECONDARY

COURSE PROGRAMMING

2026/27

STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 11



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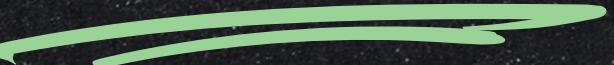
I would like to thank the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation, upon whose unceded traditional territory the North Vancouver School District resides. I value the opportunity to learn, share, and grow on this traditional territory.



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GR 10 TAKEAWAYS

Trials and Tribulations

REGULAR
ATTENDANCE



HOMEWORK
ROUTINE

ASKING FOR HELP

USING TUTORIAL
TIME

LEARNING FROM
FAILURES

GR 11 DEMANDS

Things to expect

GROWING
INDEPENDENCE

INCREASED ACADEMIC
EXPECTATIONS

SELF-ADVOCACY

JUGGLING
RESPONSIBILITIES

INDIVIDUALIZED
GRADUATION PROGRAM



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (ENGLISH)

52 REQUIRED
CREDITS

+

28 ELECTIVE
CREDITS

TOTAL 80
CREDITS*

*minimum 16 credits must be at Grade 12 level

REQUIRED ASSESSMENTS:

- Literacy 10
- Numeracy 10
- Literacy 12
- French Literacy
12 for French
Immersion
students

ALSO:

- 30 hours work
experience
- Capstone Project

-Work experience paid or
volunteer, completed by Gr 12
-Completed in community, not
within school, cannot be
community work with school club
-Forms handed out during CLC
12, can also submit early

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Required Courses (52 Credits)

- English 10, 11, and 12
- Socials 10
- Any Socials 11 or 12
- Science 10
- Science 11 or 12
- Math 10
- Math 11 or 12
- PHE 10
- Art Ed. or ADST 10, 11, or 12
- Careers 10
- CLC 12
- Indigenous Content

Elective Courses (28 Credits)

Total = 80 Credits Minimum*

*Minimum of 4 courses (16 credits)
must be at the Grade 12 level

3-YEAR OVERVIEW (ENGLISH)

GR 10	GR 11	GR 12
ENGLISH 10	ENGLISH 11	ENGLISH 12
SOCIALS 10	SOCIALS 11/12	CLC 12
SCIENCE 10	SCIENCE 11/12	ELECTIVE
MATH 10	MATH 11/12	ELECTIVE
PHE 10	ELECTIVE	ELECTIVE
CAREERS 10	ELECTIVE	ELECTIVE
ELECTIVE	ELECTIVE	ELECTIVE
ELECTIVE	ELECTIVE	ELECTIVE

3-YEAR OVERVIEW (FRENCH)

GR 10	GR 11	GR 12
ENGLISH 10	ENGLISH 11	ENGLISH 12
SCIENCES HUMAINES 10	HISTOIRE 12	CLC 12
SCIENCES 10	SCIENCE 11/12	FRANCAIS LANGUE 12
MATH 10	MATH 11/12	ELECTIVE
PHE 10	FRANCAIS LANGUE 11 OPTION	ELECTIVE
CARRIERES 10	ELECTIVE OR FRANCAIS LANGUE 11 OPTION	ELECTIVE
FRANCAIS LANGUE 10	ELECTIVE	ELECTIVE
ELECTIVE	ELECTIVE	ELECTIVE

French Immersion Overview

Blocks	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
1	English 8	English 9	English 10	English 11	English 12
2	Français langue 8	Français langue 9	Français langue 10	Français langue 11	Français langue 12
3	Sciences humaines 8	Sciences humaines 9	Sciences humaines 10	Histoire 12	CLC 12
4	Math 8	Math 9	Math 10	Math 11	Elective
5	Sciences naturelles 8	Sciences naturelles 9	Sciences naturelles 10	Science 11 or 12	Elective
6	Éducation physique et santé en plein air 8	PE 9	PE 10	Elective or Français langue 11 option	Elective
7	Elective	Elective	Éducation au choix de carrière et de vie 10	Elective	Elective
8	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective

INDIGENOUS FOCUSED GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

- Must complete at least one 4-credit course with an Indigenous focus
- Options:
 - English First Peoples 11 (also satisfies English 11 requirement)
 - English First Peoples 12 (also satisfies English 12 requirement)
 - BC First Peoples (also satisfies Socials 11/12 requirement)

ASSESSMENTS

- LITERACY 10
- NUMERACY 10
- LITERACY 12
- FRENCH

LITERACY 12
(FOR FRENCH
IMMERSION)

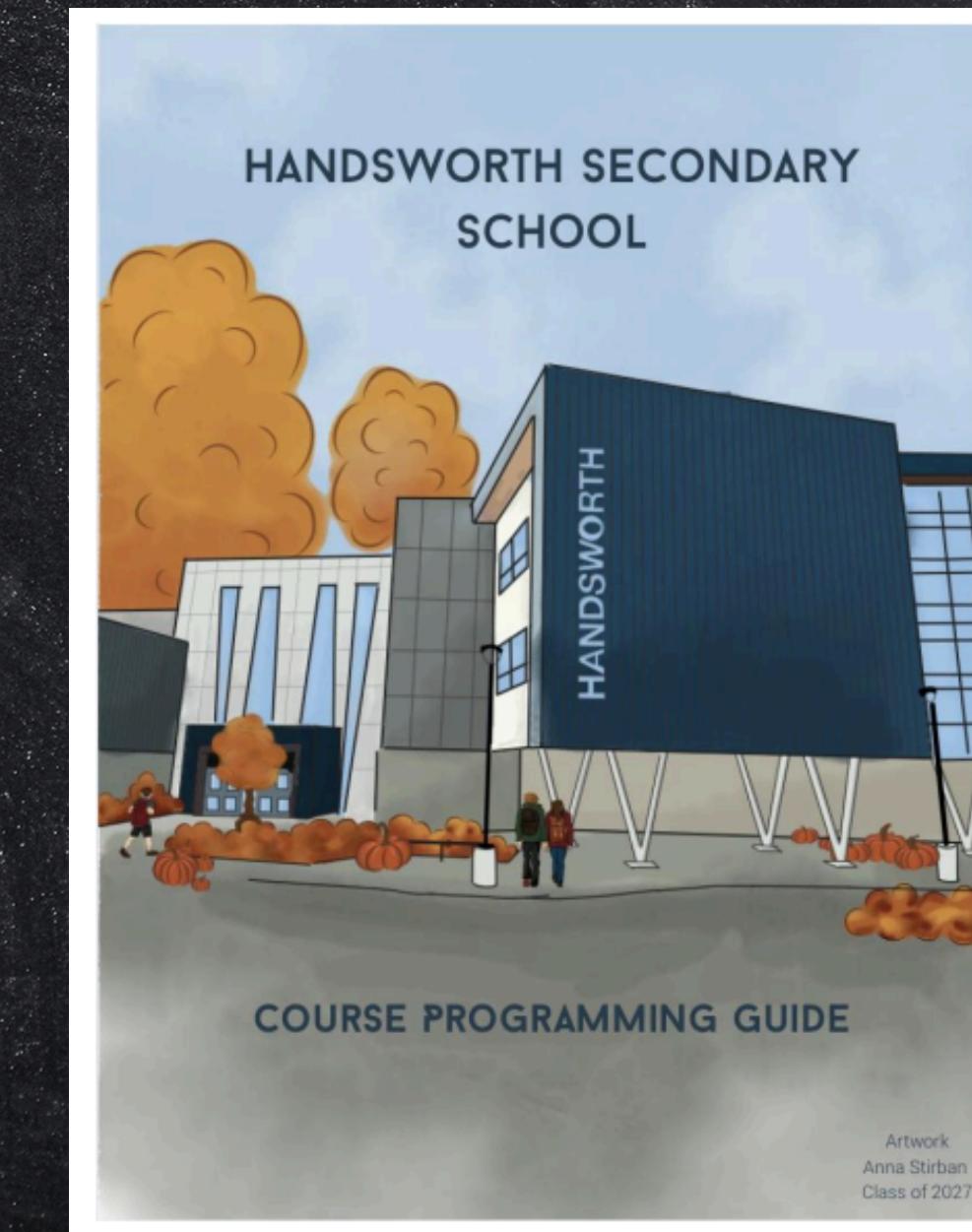
- Graded on 4-point proficiency scale (emerging, developing, proficient, extending)
- Reported separately on transcript, not blended with any course
- Post-secondary institutions not interested in assessment scores at this time (except for UBC who requires proficient on Lit 12 to maintain offer of admission)

COURSE OPTIONS

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS



Detailed course descriptions available
on school website:
[Link to Course Programming Guide](#)



ENGLISH 11 OPTIONS

COMPOSITION 11

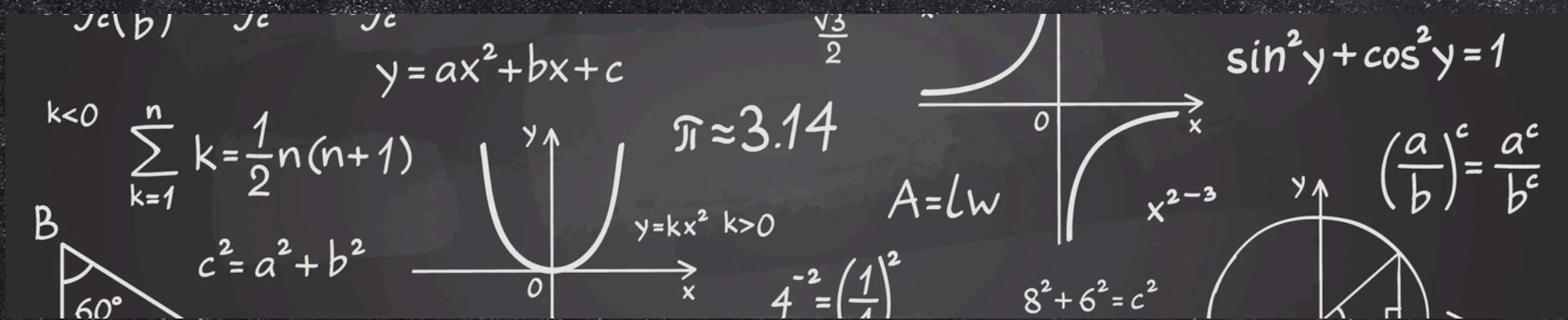
LITERARY STUDIES

11

ENGLISH FIRST
PEOPLES 11



MATH OPTIONS



WORKPLACE 11

- Math 11 required for graduation but different requirements for post secondary
- minimum C+ in Foundations Pre-Calc 10 recommended for Foundations or Pre-Calc 11
- Workplace 11 recommended for students with 55% or lower in Foundations Pre-Calc 10
- TI-83/84/85 calculator highly recommended for FOM/Pre-Calc

FOUNDATIONS 11

PRE-CALCULUS 11

MATH

Grade 8

Math 8

Grade 9

Math 9

Grade 10

Workplace
Math 10

Foundations
& Pre-
Calculus 10

Grade 11

Workplace
Math 11

Foundations
of Math 11

Pre-Calculus
11

Grade 12

Foundations
of Math 12

Pre-Calculus
12

Grade 12

AP Calculus

Calculus 12

SOCIALS 11/12

Need a Socials 11 OR 12 to graduate

EXPLORATIONS IN SOCIAL
STUDIES 11

COMPARATIVE
CULTURES 12

PHYSICAL
GEOGRAPHY 12

20TH CENTURY WORLD
HISTORY 12

GENOCIDE STUDIES 12

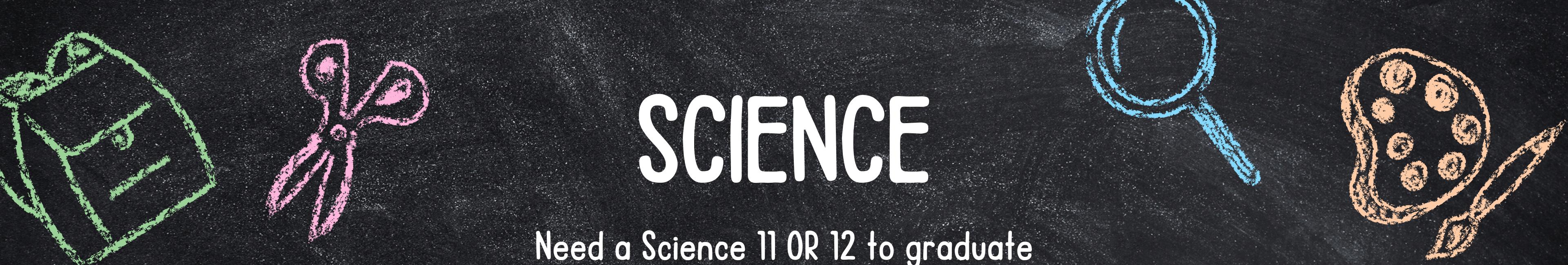
SOCIAL JUSTICE 12

BC FIRST PEOPLES 12

LAW STUDIES 12

SOCIALS

- Psychology 12 listed in this category but does NOT meet Social Studies graduation requirement
- Teachers of courses TBD, changes every year



SCIENCE

Need a Science 11 OR 12 to graduate

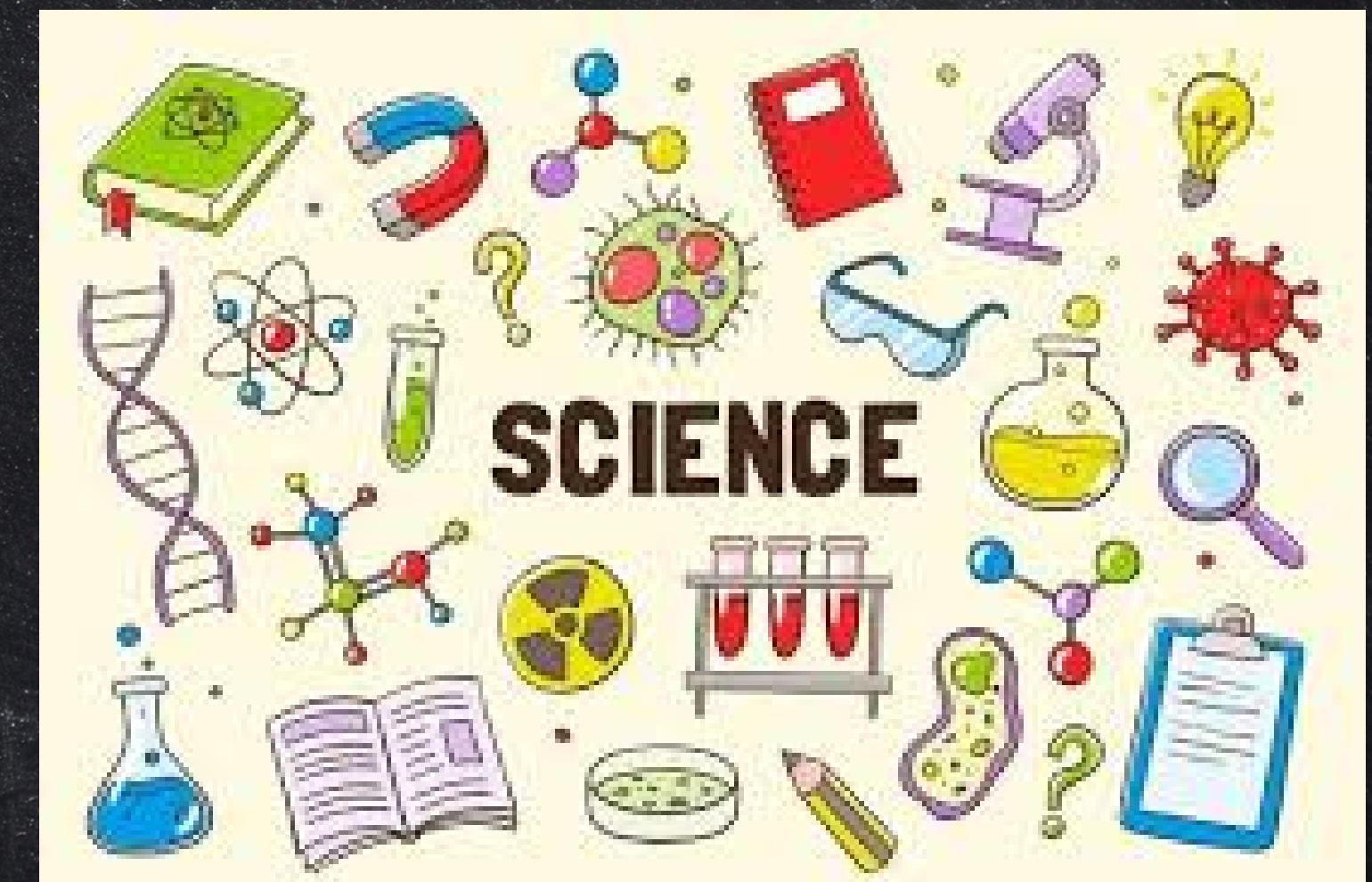
CHEMISTRY 11/12

LIFE SCIENCES 11

PHYSICS 11/12

ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY 12

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE 12



LANGUAGES

FRENCH 11

FRENCH 12

-Second language NOT required for graduation, MAY be required for post secondary (suggested vs required)
-Delta Language Challenge Exam - apply in Oct

BEGINNING
SPANISH 11

SPANISH 11

SPANISH 12



MORE ELECTIVES

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- Active Living 11
 - Fitness and Conditioning 11
- Outdoor Education 11
 - Active Living 12
 - Fitness and Conditioning 12
 - Outdoor Education 12



DANCE

- Dance Technique and Performance 11
- Dance Choreography 11
 - Dance Technique and Performance 12
- Dance Choreography 12

ARTS

- Art Studio 11
- Drama Film & Television 11
- Graphic Arts 11
- Photography 11
- Studio Arts 2D 11
- Studio Arts 3D 11
 - Art Studio 12
 - Drama Film & Television 12
 - Photography 12
 - Studio Arts 2D 12
 - Studio Arts 3D 12
 - Graphic Arts 12

THEATER

- Theater Company
- Musical Theater 11
 - Improv 11
- Theater Production (Tech) 11
- Drama 11 Leadership with Diverse Learners
- Directing and Script Development 12
- Musical Theater 12
 - Improv 12
- Theater Production (Tech) 12
- Drama 12 Leadership with Diverse Learners

MORE ELECTIVES

MUSIC

- Choral Music (Choir) 11
 - Band 11
 - Jazz Band 11
 - Strings 11
- Choral Music (Choir) 12
 - Band 12
 - Jazz Band 12
 - Strings 12

LEADERSHIP

- Leadership 11
- Leadership 12
- Leadership Athletics 11
- Leadership Athletics 12



BUSINESS

- Accounting 11
- Marketing and Promotion 11
- Accounting 12
- Marketing & E-Commerce 12
- Economics 12
- Entrepreneurship 12 (YELL)



FOODS

- Food Studies 11
- Food Studies 12

Blue courses are OFF TIMETABLE

MORE ELECTIVES

TECH ED

- Woodwork 11
- Drafting 11
- Engineering 11
- Woodwork 12
- Drafting 12

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Work Experience 12A
- Work Experience 12B



TEXTILES

- Textiles 11
- Textiles 12

INFO TECH

- Media Design 11
- Computer Science 11
- Digital Media Development (Yearbook) 12
- Media Design 12
- Computer Science 12

Course Info Fair Feb 12 at lunch

AP CLASSES

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

- earns credit towards graduation
- course grade appears on transcript
- AP exam optional
- AP exam results do NOT appear on transcript
- students responsible for sharing exam results if desired
- AP exams written in May

MAY BE OFFERED

- AP Calculus AB
- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP Microeconomics
- AP 2D Art & Design Portfolio
- AP Studio Art: Drawing
- AP 3D Design Portfolio
- AP Chemistry
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Physics 1
- AP Physics 2

STUDY BLOCK

CRITERIA

- Challenging course load
- Good attendance history (2025-26)
- Good record of school citizenship
- Have demonstrated commitment to completing requested courses

EXPECTATIONS

- Studying in library, cafeteria, or at home
- Under supervision of parent/guardian if off campus

APPLICATION

- Must complete and submit application form!!

WORK EXPERIENCE

WORK EXPERIENCE 12A/12B

- full year course
- internship arranged through school
- generally not paid
- hours accumulated can count towards volunteer hours for graduation
- can take course twice

TRAIN IN TRADES

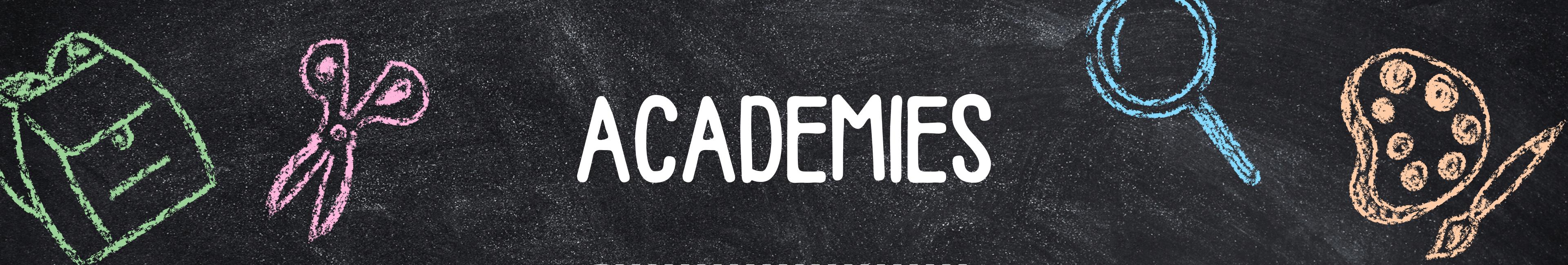
- 1 day at Handsworth, 1 day at other site
- Carpentry at West Van Secondary
- Culinary Arts at Carson Graham
- other options as well but would involve transfer

WORK IN TRADES

- must have pre-arranged work/job



see Ms. Johnson (sjohnson@sd44.ca)



ACADEMIES

ARTISTS FOR KIDS

- credit for Art Studio

[LINK FOR INFO](#)

APPLICATION DEADLINE FEB 28

- FIELD HOCKEY
- BASKETBALL
- HOCKEY
- ROWING
- SOCCER
- VOLLEYBALL

-credit for PE 11

DIGITAL MEDIA ACADEMY

- 3 blocks (Day 1 mornings)
- credit for 12 ADST credits

YELL

Young Entrepreneurship and Leadership Launchpad

- for students with an interest in business or who have an entrepreneurial spirit
- off timetable (Tuesdays 3:30-6:30)

[LINK TO INFO HERE](#)



OTHER WAYS TO GET CREDITS

External Credits

Delta Language Challenge
Exam

North Vancouver Online
Learning

North Vancouver Summer
Learning

SUMMER SCHOOL

- Registration opens May 1 at 9AM
- Register through School Cash Online
- Daily attendance mandatory
- Class every day for the month of July
- Classes fill quickly

SUMMER SCHOOL

 **Summer Learning**
North Vancouver School District

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 Check back in Spring 2026 for Summer Learning 2026 Registration & Course Info

Fully immerse

By focusing on one course at a time, students are able to ensure attention and study time are centred around the concepts learned.

[Read more](#)



ONLINE LEARNING

- North Vancouver Online Learning
- not connected to Handsworth
- self-paced
- approximately 100 hours of instruction per course
- does not run in July and August

ONLINE LEARNING



North Vancouver Online Learning
North Vancouver School District

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i **OL Center hours of operation**

Monday 9am-5:30pm
Tuesday 9am - 8pm
Wednesday 10am - 5:30pm
Thursday 9am - 3pm
Friday 9am - 2:30pm

⚠ June 1, 2026 is deadline if you need to complete your course this school year & earn grad credits for it
Students who require a final mark on their June 2026 transcript and earn graduation credits for their course must complete the course by June 1, 2026 .

Quick Links

[Brightspace Login](#) [Register Here](#) [Teacher Contacts](#) [Frequently Asked Questions](#) [Course Additions](#) [Adult Student Information](#)

IB PROGRAM



The screenshot shows the North Vancouver School District website. The header features a green navigation bar with links for Parents, Mail, Portal, and Careers. Below the bar is a search input field with a magnifying glass icon. The main content area has a white background. On the left, a sidebar lists various educational programs: Academies, Advanced Placement, Alternate Education, Artists for Kids, Arts Education, Band and Strings, and Career Pathways 44. The main content area is titled "International Baccalaureate Programmes". It includes a callout box for an "IB Diploma Programme Information Session – January 29" and sections for "About IB" and "Benefits of IB". The IB World School logo is visible on the right.

North Vancouver School District
the natural place to learn

Parents Mail Portal Careers

Search

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Academies

Advanced Placement

Alternate Education

Artists for Kids

Arts Education

Band and Strings

Career Pathways 44

International Baccalaureate Programmes

i IB Diploma Programme Information Session – January 29
Parents and students interested in learning more about the IB Diploma Programme are invited to attend an information session on Thursday, January 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Carson Graham Library.

About IB
Founded in 1968, the International Baccalaureate® (IB) is a non-profit educational foundation offering four highly respected programmes of international education that develop the intellectual, personal, emotional and social skills needed to live, learn and work in a rapidly globalizing world.

Benefits of IB



Presentation in Library

TIMELINE

FEB 4

COURSE PROGRAMMING PRESENTATIONS

- For students: 8:30AM in the Theater
- For parents: 7PM in the Grand Commons

FEB 9-11

CLASSROOM VISITS

- Ms. Clay to visit Careers classes to answer any questions

FEB 12

COURSE INFO FAIR

- In Grand Commons at lunch
- Find out about different courses at Handsworth

FEB 20

DEADLINE TO ENTER COURSES INTO MYED

- Window to enter courses into MyEd is Feb 7- Feb 20
- Portal closes Feb 20 at 9PM

TIMELINE

FEB 23

FORMS DUE

- Hand in to office
- Course Request Forms
- Study Block Applications

FEB
23/24/26

HELP WITH MYED

- Library open during tutorial for students who need help entering courses into MyEd

APRIL 2

COURSE REQUEST VERIFICATIONS

- Sent home

APRIL 10

COURSE REQUEST CHANGE DEADLINE

- Last chance!!

ÉCOLE SECONDAIRE HANDSWORTH SECONDARY SCHOOL

www.sd44.ca/school/handsworth

(604) 903-3600



2025/2026 Grade 11 Course Programming - English Program

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

MyEd Student #: _____

Student Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone # _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Course Request		Planning for Graduation	
Required courses		Required courses	Credits
1. English 11, choose one: <input type="checkbox"/> Composition <input type="checkbox"/> Literacy Studies <input type="checkbox"/> English First Peoples		an English Language Arts 10	4
		an English Language Arts 11	4
2. Math:		an English Language Arts 12	4
3. Science:		a Mathematics 10	4
4. Social Studies:		a Mathematics 11 or 12	4
Electives (in priority order, #9&10 = outside the timetable)		Science 10	4
5.		a Science 11 or 12	4
6.		Social Studies 10	4
7.		a Social Studies 11 or 12	4
8.		Physical and Health Education 10	4
9.		Career-Life Education 10	4
10.		Career-Life Connections	4
Alternate courses (in priority order)		an ADST or Fine Arts course	4
1.		Electives	28
2.		Students must complete a minimum of 80 credits between the Grade 10, 11 and 12 levels, with at least 16 of those at the Grade 12 level. At least one Grade 11 or 12 course is required to have an Indigenous focus.	
For Grade 11, students must take a minimum of 7 courses. Course requests are not guaranteed.			
Handsworth Course Programming Guide available at: www.sd44.ca/school/handsworth under "Courses & Programs"			

Are you requesting a study block? _____ (application required)

*For additional study blocks please provide grade counsellor documentation for external credits meeting the Athlete 11/12 criteria

If you will you be attending an Academy/Enhanced Program, which one? _____

If you are planning to complete a Summer Learning course, which one? _____

If you will be enrolling in an Online Learning course, which one? _____

STUDENT _____

(Signature)

PARENT/GUARDIAN _____

(Signature)

PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM TO THE MAIN OFFICE BY March 3rd, 2025

ÉCOLE SECONDAIRE HANDSWORTH SECONDARY SCHOOL

www.sd44.ca/school/handsworth

(604) 903-3600



2025/2026 Grade 11 Course Programming - French Program

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

MyEd Student #: _____

Student Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone # _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Course Request		Planning for Graduation	
Required courses		Required courses	Credits
1. English 11, choose one: <input type="checkbox"/> Composition <input type="checkbox"/> Literacy Studies <input type="checkbox"/> English First Peoples		an English Language Arts 10	4
		an English Language Arts 11	4
2. Select one OR both of the following <input type="checkbox"/> Études du cinéma et de la littérature francophones 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Communication orale 11		an English Language Arts 12	4
		a Mathematics 10	4
3. Histoire 12 (can be taken in Grade 12)		a Mathematics 11 or 12	4
4. Math:		Science 10	4
5. Science:		a Science 11 or 12	4
Electives (in priority order, #9&10 = outside the timetable)		Social Studies 10	4
6.		a Social Studies 11 or 12	4
7.		Physical and Health Education 10	4
8.		Career-Life Education 10	4
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Are you requesting a study block? _____ (application required)

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STUDENT _____

(Signature)

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(Signature)

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MY BLUEPRINT

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North Vancouver School District

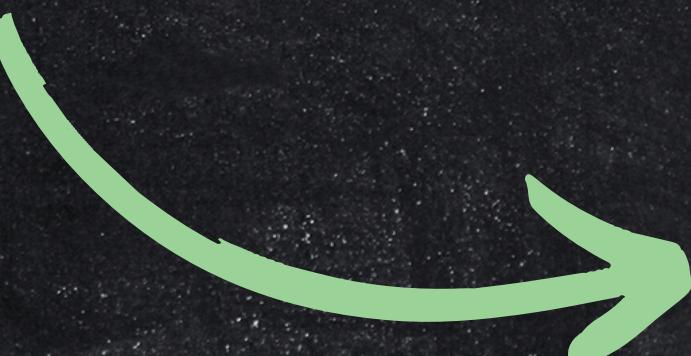
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Guardian Programming Nights

Course Programming Information nights for Parents/Guardians (adults only)



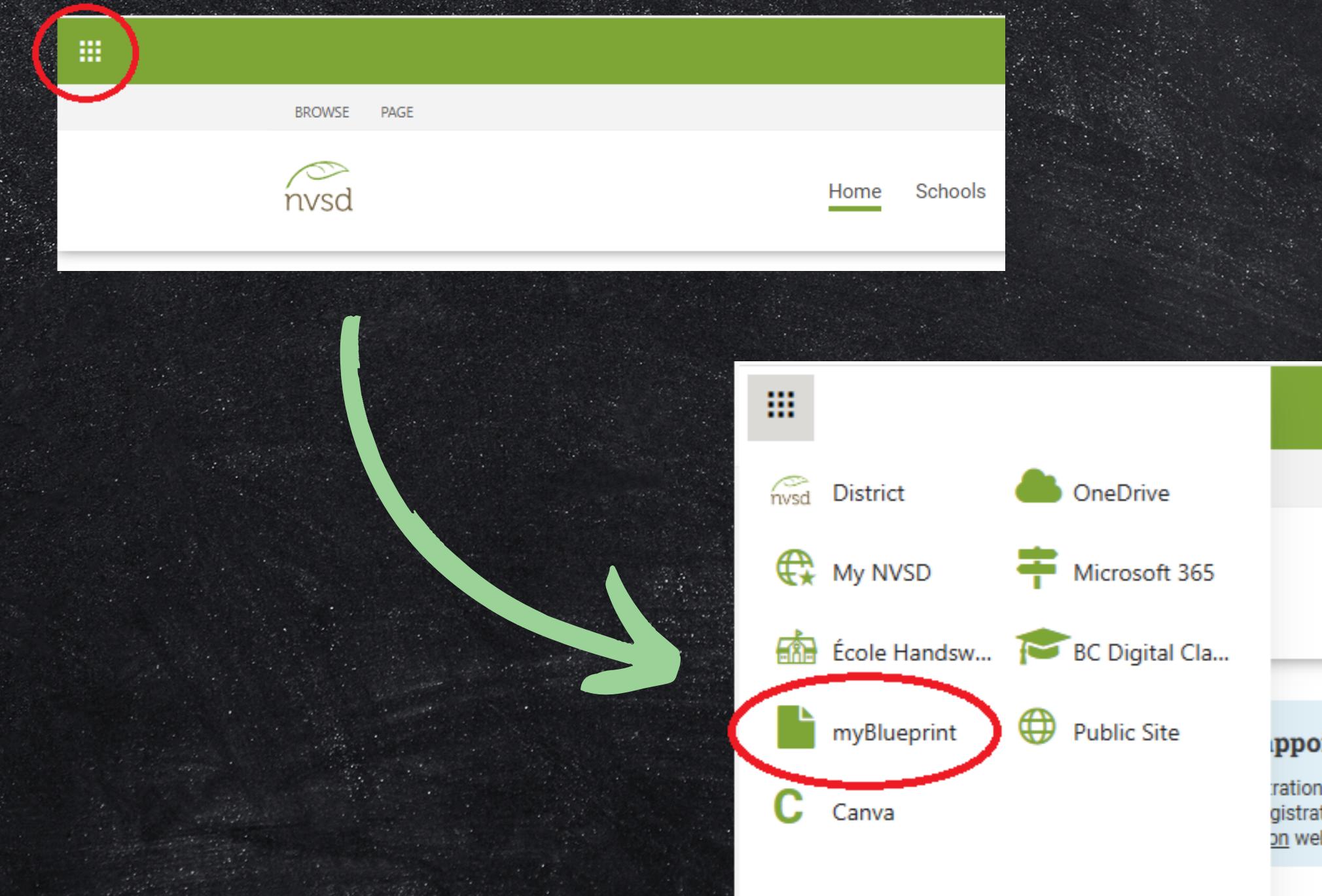
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SIGN IN

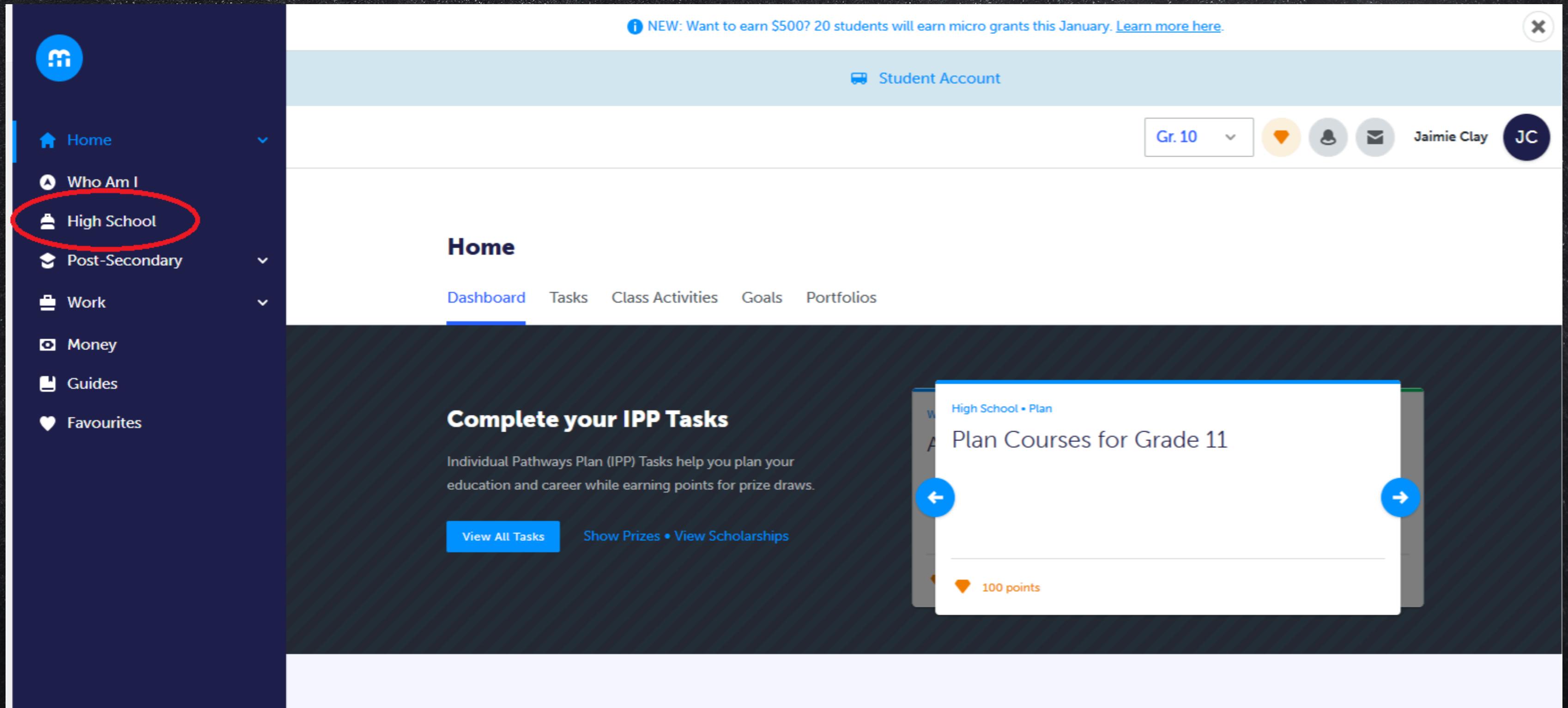
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MY BLUEPRINT



MY BLUEPRINT



The screenshot shows the MyBlueprint student dashboard. On the left, a vertical sidebar lists categories: Home, Who Am I, High School (which is circled in red), Post-Secondary, Work, Money, Guides, and Favourites. The main content area is titled 'Home' and features a 'Student Account' header with a bus icon, 'Gr. 10' dropdown, and notifications. Below the header, there are tabs for Dashboard, Tasks, Class Activities, Goals, and Portfolios. The 'Dashboard' tab is active. A large callout box on the right is titled 'High School • Plan' and 'Plan Courses for Grade 11', showing a progress bar and a '100 points' badge. At the bottom of the main content area, there are buttons for 'View All Tasks' and 'Show Prizes • View Scholarships'.

NEW: Want to earn \$500? 20 students will earn micro grants this January. [Learn more here.](#)

Student Account

Gr. 10

Jaime Clay JC

Home

Who Am I

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Complete your IPP Tasks

Individual Pathways Plan (IPP) Tasks help you plan your education and career while earning points for prize draws.

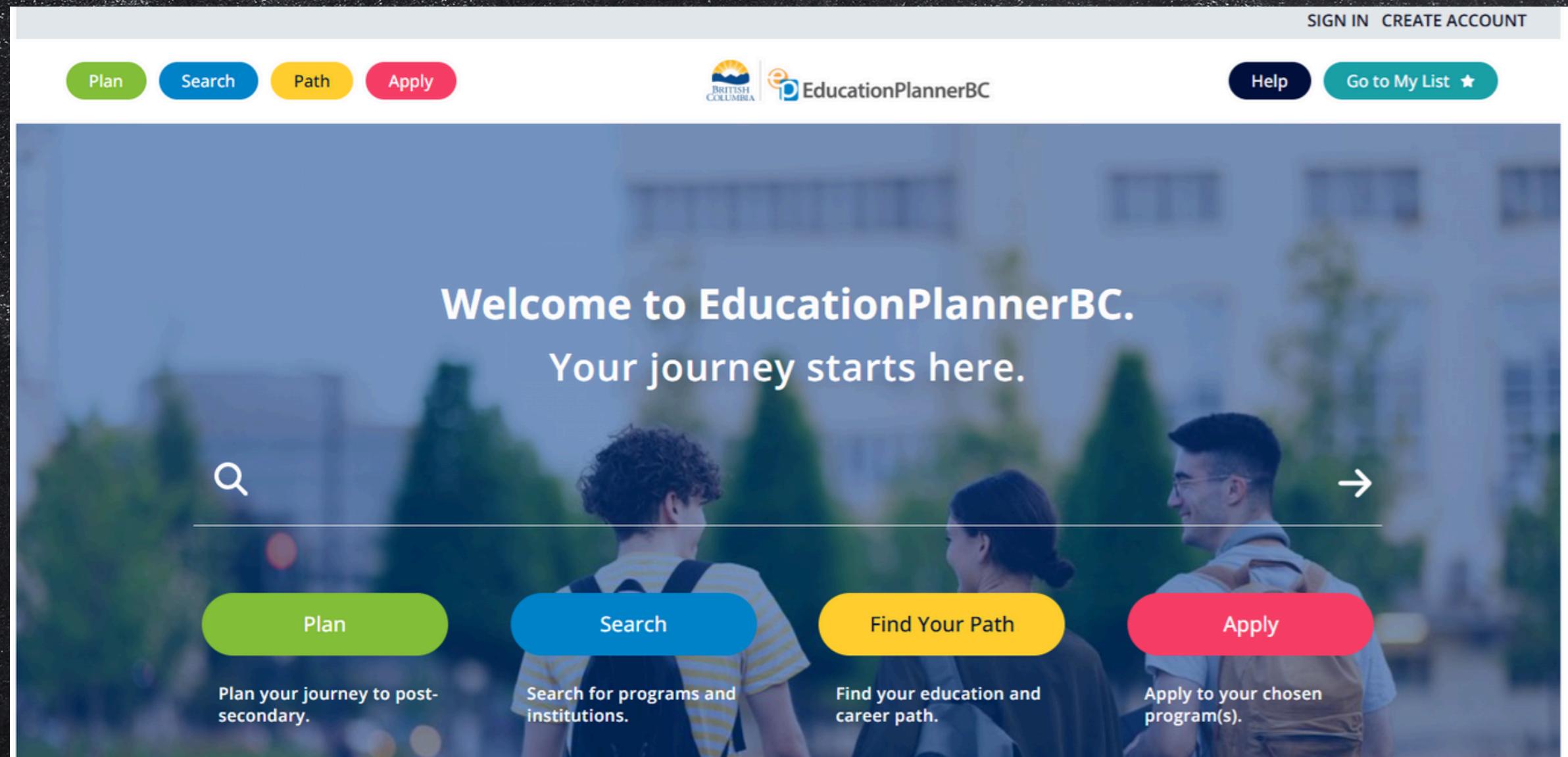
View All Tasks Show Prizes • View Scholarships

High School • Plan

Plan Courses for Grade 11

100 points

EDUCATION PLANNER



SIGN IN CREATE ACCOUNT

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Welcome to EducationPlannerBC.
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Search

Find Your Path

Apply

Plan your journey to post-secondary.

Search for programs and institutions.

Find your education and career path.

Apply to your chosen program(s.).

A personalized, interactive education and career planning tool

FINAL THOUGHTS



DO THINGS YOU
ENJOY



START THINKING
ABOUT AFTER HIGH
SCHOOL



DON'T FOLLOW
FRIENDS



WE'RE BUILDING
TIMETABLES BASED
ON YOUR REQUESTS



REQUESTS ARE
NOT GUARANTEED



BE KIND

LINKS

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EDUCATION
PLANNER

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BOARD

THANK YOU!