

WELCOME TO BCSD'S VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE



We value this opportunity to connect with you and show you some of the great opportunities we offer to our students. You will find these next slides for students going into specific grades.

These Powerpoint slides will cover course requirements and course selection. Once you have watched the slides for your child, you are encouraged to discuss this with your child.

Please feel free to contact either Madison Yaworski or myself if you require more information.



Thank you,
Catherine Bennett, BCSD Principal
Jennifer Zuvic, BCSD Vice-Principal

SCHOOL STRUCTURE AND TIMETABLE

- Burnaby South Secondary and BCSD are now operating on a Linear System.
- All students take 8 classes for the full school year
- Four classes are on Day 1 and 4 classes are on Day 2
 - Each class is approximately 75 minutes in length
 - 15 min break after 1st block
 - 45 minutes lunch after 2nd block



COURSE SELECTION

- This course Selection Sheet is like a contract between you and BCSD.
- All schools are staffed and timetabled based on how you complete your course selection.
- Sometimes it is NOT possible for us to give you your 1st choices (usually in electives)



BCSD - GRADE 9 COURSE SELECTION (2024/2025)

LAST NAME:	FIRST NAME:	DATE OF BIRTH:
SCHOOL:	STUDENT #	EMAIL:

FYI:

- Students in BCSD will have the majority of their courses within the BSCD environment and taught in ASL with some electives courses being integrated in Burnaby South with ASL Interpreters
- Sometimes it is **NOT** possible for us to give you your 1st requests – so one of your Alternate Courses will be scheduled in its place.
 - It will **NOT** be a Timetable Error in September if you DO get one of your Alternates, so pick **WISELY!!**

REQUIRED COURSES - ALL Students must register in a FULLTIME Program (8 Courses) - 7 Core Classes & 1 Electives Class

<p>English – REQUIRED</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English 9 – BCSD	<p>Mathematics – REQUIRED</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Math 9 – BCSD
<p>Social Studies – REQUIRED</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social Studies 9 – BCSD	<p>Science – REQUIRED</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Science 9 – BCSD
<p>Explorations – REQUIRED</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Explorations 9 – BCSD	<p>ASL – REQUIRED</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> American Sign Language 9 – BCSD
<p>Physical & Health Education – REQUIRED</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Physical & Health Education 9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated into Burnaby South 	
<p>ELECTIVE COURSES - Choose 1 Elective Course from the Course Offerings (BELOW) to combine with your Required Courses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NOTE: Your Elective Course can be in the BCSD/ORAL Program, or integrated into Burnaby South 	
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ALTERNATE ELECTIVE COURSES – Please choose 4 Alternate Electives (in case your 1st Choices are NOT available)

- Sometimes it is **NOT** possible for us to give you your 1st requests – so one of your Alternate Courses will be scheduled in its place
 - YES, there is always a possibility an alternate will be in your Timetable, so pick these WISELY!!**

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Grade 9 ELECTIVE COURSE OFFERINGS

ELECTIVE COURSES OFFERED – Elective courses may occur in BCSD/ORAL or be integrated within Burnaby South

<p>Applied Skills</p> <p>Grade 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clothing & Textiles 9 Drafting 9 Electronics & Robotics 9 Food Studies 9 Foods: Indigenous Studies 9 Intro to Computer Apps 9 Woodwork 9 	<p>Visual & Performing Arts</p> <p>Grade 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Art Studio: Visual Arts 9 BCSD Dance Foundations 9 Ceramics & Sculpture: Studio Arts 9 Drama 9 Drawing & Painting: Studio Arts 9 Media Arts 9 <p>Leadership</p> <p>(All Leadership classes require a Leadership Application)</p> <p>Grade 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indigenous Leadership 9 Leadership 9 	<p>Learning Centre</p> <p>Note: Students requesting a Learning Centre Block MUST be approved by the BCSD School Based Team</p> <p>Grade 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning Centre <p>Courses OUTSIDE the Timetable</p> <p>(These fall OUTSIDE the Timetable and are 9th Classes ONLY, NOT included as part of your 8 Required Courses)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dance Production 10PM (BAA) ☼ - Aft Sch Dance: World Dance: Music Theatre 10PM (BAA) ☼ - After School Student Govt 9☼ - After School
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COURSE SELECTION

- Grade 9 students will take 8 courses:
 - ASL 9
 - English 9
 - Math 9
 - Science 9
 - Social Studies 9
 - Physical Education 9
 - Exploration 9

COURSE SELECTION

- Course Planning is the single most important process that occurs in high school. It determines the courses a student will take, as well as the courses that teachers will teach
- What to Expect in Grade 9?
 - Workload
 - Developing good work habits NOW is key
 - Organization and Time Management

TIPS FOR GRADE 9 COURSE SELECTION

- Talk to your teachers
- You cannot choose the same course twice
 - When you choose a course as your 1st choice, you cannot choose that same course as one of your alternate courses.
 - They are your experts on these courses, because they are the ones teaching them.

WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD

- Encourage Responsibility
 - Using an agenda planner or electronic device to keep track of homework, assignments, tests
 - Attend Flex Time
 - Ask for help if needed
- Absences from school
 - With students having a number of different teachers it is very important to call into the school and record your child's absence.
 - Please call the school in the morning if your child is sick
 - When your child returns, it's equally important for them to check with teachers for any missed work or tests.

WHAT HAPPEN NEXT?

- The principal has been completing the Powerpoint slides for each grade on BCSD Website
- Your child will bring the course selection form on Friday and to complete this with you
- Course Selection Form is due back to the principal by February 15

ANY QUESTIONS??

- If you have any questions regarding course selection, please feel free to contact:
 - Cathy Bennett, Principal:
catherine.bennett@burnabyschools.ca
 - Jennifer Zuvic, Vice-Principal:
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- If you have any questions regarding career Life Connections/Education, please feel free to contact
 - Madison Yaworski, LST:
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