

Pitt Meadows Secondary

Future Grade 9 and 10 Parent Presentation



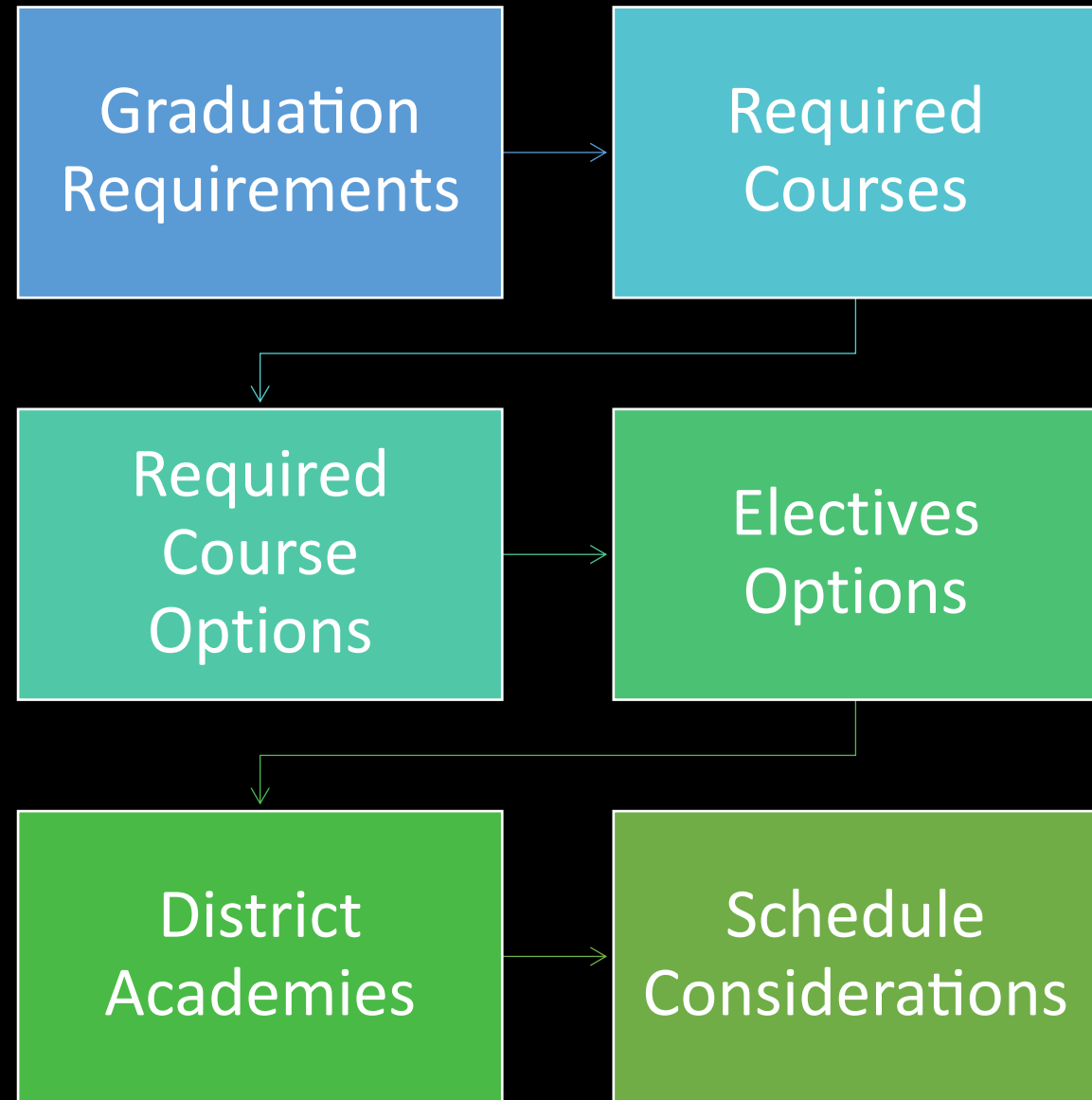


Land Acknowledgment

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We would like to thank and acknowledge that Pitt Meadows Secondary School is located on the unceded and traditional lands of the Katzie First Nation and Kwantlen First Nation.

Talking Points



Contact Information

- Talk to your counsellor
 - Alisha Price (Grade 8)
 - Alisha_Price@sd42.ca
 - Simon Edwards (Grade 9)
 - Simon_Edwards@sd42.ca
 - Visit Website
 - <https://pmscounselling.wordpress.com/>
 - Visit Instagram
 - @pms_counselling

Graduation Requirements

80 TOTAL credits- minimum of 16 credits at grade 12 level, and 28 elective course credits.

Grade 10

- Language Arts 10
- A Math 10
- Social Studies 10
- Physical Education 10
- Career & Life Education 10
- A Fine Arts Education and/or Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies 10, 11 or 12

Grade 11

- A Language Arts 11
- Science 11 or 12
- Social Studies 11 or 12
- A Math 11 or 12

Grade 12

- Language Arts 12
- Career Life Connection-Capstone (CLC)

Provincial Graduation Assessments

- GRADE 10 Numeracy Assessment
- GRADE 10 Literacy Assessment
- GRADE 12 Literacy Assessment

French Immersion: Double Dogwood

FraL , Sciences Humaines , Éducation Physique 8 & 9 (already completed)

Grade 10

- Sciences Humaines 10
- Éducation Physique 10
- FraL 10
- Études Culinaires 10 (completed in gr 9)
- Language Arts 10
- A Math 10
- Career & Life Education 10

Grade 11

- Communication Orale 11
- FraL 11
- A Language Arts 11
- Science 11 or 12
- Social Studies 11 or 12
- A Math 11 or 12

Optional:

- Communication Orale 12
- Histoire 12

Grade 12

- FraL 12
- Language Arts 12
- Career Life Connection-Capstone (CLC)

Provincial Graduation Assessments

- GRADE 10 Numeracy Assessment
- GRADE 10 Literacy Assessment
- GRADE 12 Literacy Assessment

Grade 9

Required Courses: English Stream

English 9

Social studies 9

Math 9

Science 9

Physical Education 9

Career Education 9 (Outside of timetable during FLEX)

This gives you THREE elective choices.

Grade 9

Required Courses: French Immersion Stream

English 9

Math 9

Science 9

Science Humaines 9

Education Physique et Sante 9

Français Langue 9

Études Sur Alimentation 10

Career Education 9 (Outside of timetable during FLEX)

This gives you ONE elective choice.



Applied Skills

- Foods and Nutrition 9
- Textiles 9
- Metalwork 9
- Woodwork 9



Fine Arts

- Drama 9
- Studio Arts 9
- Guitar 9
- Visual Arts 9: Photography

Outside of Timetable

- Beginner Concert Band 9
- Concert Band 9
- Vocal Jazz Ensemble 9
- Jazz Band 9
- Concert Choir

Ellery Ferguson is the teacher contact if you have questions regarding our music program.



Band and Choir

Outside of Timetable

- Beginner Concert Band 9 / 10
- Concert Band 9 / 10
- Vocal Jazz Ensemble 9 / 10
- Jazz Band 9 / 10
- Concert Choir 9 / 10
- School of Rock 10

- Concert Choir – Open to all students no prior experience needed
- All other band courses – Require previous experience or approval by Mr. Ferguson



Hockey Academy 9 & 10

- Referral needed (see Mr. Bailey)
- Fee required
- Counts as PE

Bryan Bailey is the teacher contact if you have questions regarding Hockey Academy.



Language Options

- Spanish 9
- French 9

“Do I need to take a Language 9 as an elective?”

No, but it may impact your ability to apply to specific universities directly from high school. Some universities require a Language 11.

If you are planning to continue with a language in grades 10-12, we **STRONGLY** recommend taking the grade 9 course.

Do I need a language course?

No

Direct entry to Douglas, Kwantlen, or UVic

Yes

Direct entry to SFU, UBC, UFV and Eastern Universities

But...

You may do a year or more at Douglas, Kwantlen, or Uvic and transfer WITHOUT a Language 11



Grade 10
Required
Courses:
English Stream

English 10

Math 10

Social Studies 10

Science 10

Physical Health Education 10

Career Life Education 10

2 Elective choices

Grade 10
Required
Course
French
Immersion

English 10

Math 10

Science 10

Career Life Education 10

Sciences Humaines 10

Education Physique 10

Français Langue 10

1 elective choice

English Options

- English 10

- Composition / Literary Studies 10

- Explore variety of both modern and classical texts
 - Novels, Shakespeare, podcasts, documentaries...

- Composition / New Media 10

- Explore variety of alternative texts
 - Journalism, digital publications, presentations

- Both courses have:

- Same amount of reading and writing
 - Novels, essays and creative assignments

- Both courses are

- recognized by post secondaries
 - Same level – no class is easier or harder than the other

Math Options

- Workplace Math 10
- Foundations & Pre-Calc 10

Post-Secondary Pathways	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	+ Grade 12
Trade Programs	Workplace Math 10 or Foundations and Pre-calc Math 10	Workplace Math 11 (**See description)		
College or Universities (Arts and Humanities)	Foundations and Pre-calc Math 10	Foundations Math 11	Foundations Math 12	
College or Universities (Math, Sciences, Engineering, Computer)	Foundations and Pre-calc Math 10	Pre-Calculus Math 11	Pre-Calculus Math 12	Calculus 12

Language Options

Spanish 10

French 10

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Do I need a Language?



Fine Arts Elective Options



- Visual Arts: Arts Studio 10
- Photography 10
- Drama 10
- Foods and Nutrition 10
- Textiles 10

Applied Skill Elective Options

- Woodwork 10
- Metalwork 10 (Tech Ed)
- Computer Studies 10
- Electronics and Robotics 10



District Academies

Co-ed basketball academy (Westview secondary)

Dance Academy (Thomas Haney Secondary)

Digital Arts (Maple Ridge Secondary) – must be enrolled at MRSS

Equestrian (Thomas Haney Secondary)

Hockey (Pitt Meadows Secondary or Samuel Robertson Technical School)

Interdisciplinary Arts (Garibaldi Secondary)

International Baccalaureate (Garibaldi Secondary)

Microsoft Academy (Westview Secondary)

Soccer (Westview Secondary)

PMS Course Selection- How does it work?

Step 1: We collect course selection sheets from students

Step 2: We record the number of students who want each course

Step 3: We use these numbers to create the appropriate amount of blocks and build the schedule

Step 4: Once the schedule is built, we press a button and the system pushes students into the courses they chose

NOTE: This is why it is very important for students to write down alternate choices as they do not always get into their first choice

Step 5: We go through every schedule individually to ensure graduation requirements are met

Schedule Considerations

- What you choose is what you get
So choose wisely!....
- If not:
 - Courses may collapse
 - Courses may be full
 - Changes will not be possible
- Hint: find alternative options (rank them) in case...



Next Steps

1. Bring your form home and have a discussion with a parent or guardian. Your form must be signed by a parent or guardian before we will accept it.
2. Ensure that you write both the course name and course code accurately. Course descriptions are in the course catalogue posted on our school website.
3. Choose alternate courses in case you do not get into your first choices.
4. Return your signed form to your **BLOCK A** teacher by this **FRIDAY, JANUARY 14th**.

Questions

