

**Welcome to  
Handsworth**

COURSE SELECTION  
2012/2013

GRADE 10'S ENTERING  
GRADE 11



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# SCHOOL CAREER



***YOUR CHILD HAS ALMOST FINISHED 11 YEARS....***

***ONLY 2 YEARS TO GO.....***

***THEN ???????***

**COLLEGE**

**UNIVERSITY**

**APPRENTICESHIP**

**TRAVEL**

**WORK**

**OTHER?**



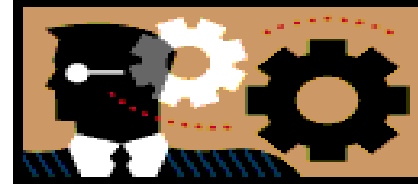
# The world of a senior student

- Individualism
- Juggling responsibility
- Increased academic expectations
- Independence



# Things for students to think about:

❖ Reflect on this year – strengths and weaknesses.



❖ Look ahead

- Prepare for next year – know your options
- Choose wisely – count credits
- Plan for Post Secondary

# Graduation Program

## 80 Credits Minimum Over 3 Years:



- 48 required course credits (12 courses)
- 28 OR MORE elective credits (7 courses)
  - 4 credits Graduation Transitions

# Graduation Program

## 80 Credits Minimum

- Required Courses 48 Credits
  - Lang Arts 10, 11, 12 12 Credits
  - Socials 10, 4 Credits
  - Socials 11 4 Credits
  - Science 10 4 Credits
  - Science 11 or 12 4 Credits
  - Math 10 4 Credits
  - Math 11 or 12 4 Credits
  - PE 10 4 Credits
  - FA or ASK 10, 11 or 12 4 Credits
  - Planning 10 4 Credits

# Graduation Program

(continued)

- Elective credits 28 credits
- Graduation Transitions 12 4 Credits  
(supported through Planning 12)
  - A minimum of 16 credits (4 courses) must be at the Gr. 12 level  
(this includes Language Arts 12 ).
- TOTAL 80 Credits min.

PLUS - 150 minutes per week of physical activity during  
Grade 11 and 12.

- 30 hours work experience (paid or volunteer)  
(total over grades 10-12)

# 3 - Year Overview for English students:

Grade 10

En \*

SS

Sc \*

Ma \*

PE

Planning

Elective

Elective

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32 credits

Grade 11

En/Com

SS \*

Sc

Ma

Elective

Elective

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Elective

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28-32 credits

Grade 12

En/ Com \*

Plan 12/Grad Tr.

Elective

Elective

Elective

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30-34 credits

Total: 90-98 credits

# 3 Year Overview for French Immersion students:

Grade 10

En \*

Fran. Lang

Sc Hum.

Sc Nat. \*

Ma \*

PE

Planning

Elective

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32 credits

Grade 11

En/Com

Fran. Lang

Sc Hum \*

Sc

Ma

Elective

Elective

Elective

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28-32 credits

Grade 12

En/Com \*

Fran. Lang \*

Plan 12/Grad Tr

Elective

Elective

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30-34 credits

Total: 90-98 Credits

# PROVINCIAL EXAM SCHOLARSHIPS

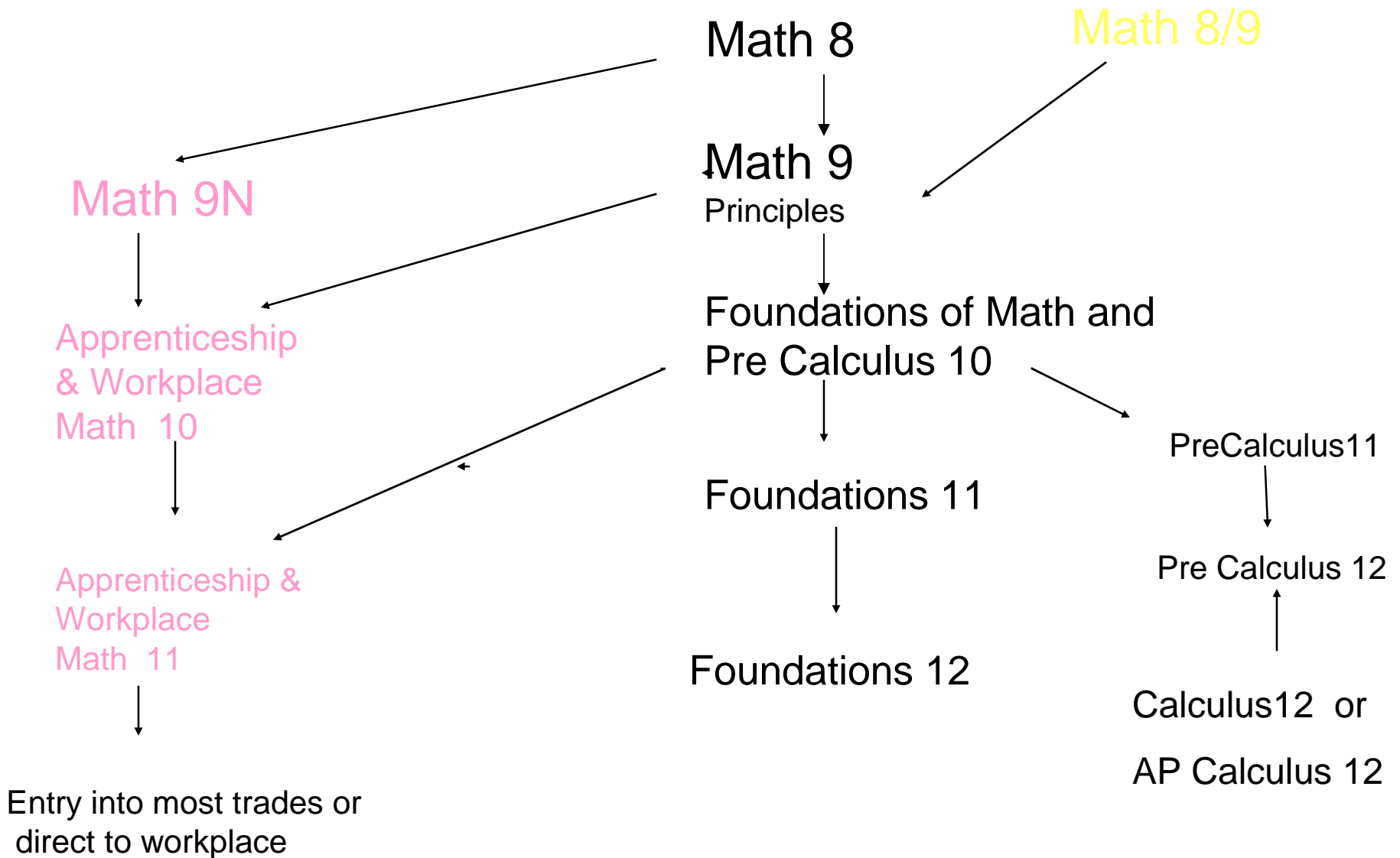
- \$1000
- Student must achieve at least a “B” - 73% final blended mark - in Eng. 12
- Student must achieve at least one “A” – 86% or higher – and three “B’s” (73% or higher) on four of the best provincial exams (can include Eng. 12)

# Options in Science:

- Must take minimum of one Science 11
- Biology 11
- Chemistry 11
- Chemistry 11 Enriched
- Physics 11
- Physics 11 Enriched
- Earth Science 11
- Biology 12
- Chemistry 12
- Physics 12
- AP Physics 12
- AP Chemistry 12



# Options in Math



# Options in Language Arts

- \*English 11 or  
Communications 11



- \*English 12
- Literature 12
- Writing 12
- Communications 12
- APEN 12
- APELC 12

\* must have

# Options in Socials

- \*Social Studies 11 or
- \*Sciences Hum 11
- \* must have

Graduation Exam ..  
SS 11, Sc Hum 11  
blended mark

school	80%
exam	20%

- History 12
- Geography 12
- Comparative Civilization 12
- First Nations 12
- Law 12
- Psychology 11



# Options in Languages

- French 11
- Français Langue 11
- French 11E
- Beginning Spanish 11
- Spanish 11
- French 12
- Français Langue 12
- French 12 AP
- Spanish 12



# Exit vs. Entrance

## An important distinction...

### High School Graduation

- 80 credits (min) over 3 years as specified
- no second language is required to graduate

### Post Secondary Entrance

- High School Graduation WITH specific institution entrance requirements
- Lang 11 not required to enter an apprenticeship
- Lang 11 required to enter most universities in BC
- Lang 11 not required to enter most colleges

# Advanced Placement Courses

- Offered in some subject areas
- Taken in conjunction with the regular grade 12 course
- Opportunity to earn 1<sup>st</sup> year University Credit (check university websites)
- Internationally recognized AP exams written in May & Provincial Exams may be written in June
- Successful completion earns dual credit
- [www.apcentral.collegeboard.com](http://www.apcentral.collegeboard.com)

# AP Courses Offered

- AP English Literature & Composition 12
- AP English Language & Composition 12
- AP Computer Science 12
- AP Calculus 12
- AP Economics
- \*AP Physics 12
- \*AP Chemistry 12
- AP French 12

\* These courses may begin with a Grade 11 Enriched course

# Options for Electives

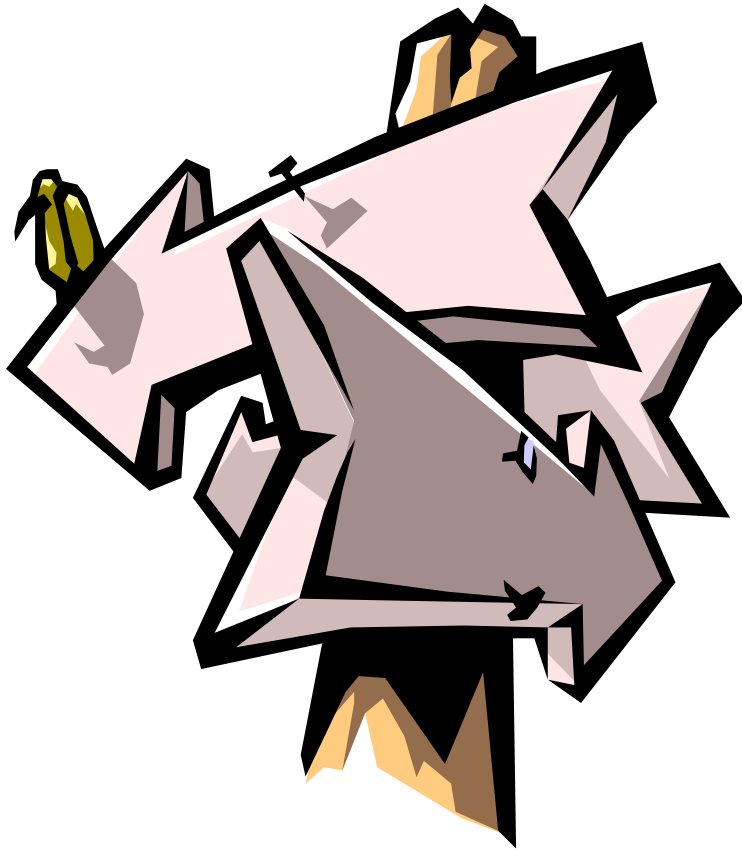
- Home Economics
- Technology
- Education
- Theatre
- Business Education
- Music
- Visual Arts
- Physical Education
- Information Technology

Detailed descriptions of the courses can be found on-line in the course selection guide.

Available at

<http://www.nvsd44.bc.ca/SchoolSites/Handsworth.aspx>

# Choice and Flexibility



- External Credits – sports, music etc.
- Course Challenge for languages
- Distributed Learning
- Enhanced programs

# Distributed Learning

<http://www.nvsd44.bc.ca/distributedlearning44.aspx>

English 11	Chemistry 11
Communications 11	Biology 11
Social Studies 11	Physics 11
Math 11 (Appren /Workplace)	Earth Science 11
Math 11 (Foundations)	
Math 11 (Pre-calculus)	

Teacher assistance is available online via the DL Center-

- *Successful students are self-motivated, organized, independent learners*

# CAREER EXPLORATION

- ❖ Designed to give students some career insights and relevant work experiences
- ❖ Taken as an 8<sup>th</sup> course outside the timetable
- ❖ Students will attend a meeting once a month, plus complete 100 hours of work experience during and/or outside school hours – for example weekends or holidays.
- ❖ Placements vary from the opera to the coast guard!

# ENHANCED PROGRAMS

- Apprentice Training @ all secondary schools
- Artists for Kids Studio Academy 10,11 & 12 @ Carson Graham
- Digital Media Academy @ Argyle
- Distributed Learning
- Experiential Outdoor Environmental Leadership 10 @ all secondary schools
- Hockey Skills Academy @ Windsor
- Peak Performance Program @ most secondary schools
- International Baccalaureate (IB) @ Balmoral & Carson Graham
- French Immersion @ Argyle, Handsworth &

# How do I know what to choose?

Words of Wisdom.....

**BUILD ON YOUR STRENGTHS!!**



# Choices are critical to options after high school, so...

- Take a look at what your child likes to do
- Check out career options
- Set an educational or training path that will lead them to the career options they choose
- Keep their options open



# University Entrance Requirements

Entrance requirements have changed over the last few years, and will probably continue to do so in the future.

A brief review of entrance requirements to UBC, University of Victoria, and Simon Fraser University for September 2012 ARE AVAILABLE IN YOUR HANDOUT.

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# Other Viable Options

## Cap University

- Good on its own  
(Variety of diploma and degree programs)
- Good as a stepping stone  
(University Transfer Programs)
- App/ Workplace Math 11/12 accepted as entrance
- Lang 11 not necessarily needed

## BCIT

- App/ Workplace Math 11/12 may be accepted
- Lang 11 not necessarily needed
- (Depends on selected area of study)
- Many options to choose from
- For specific entrance requirements, faculties, and programs check their website

# What if your child fails a course this year?

## ❖ Summer School

- If the school mark is under 55% in a course that has a provincial exam, going to summer school is recommended.

## ❖ Distributed Learning

## ❖ Repeat next year

- Repeating may have implications for completing all credits required for graduation.

(Failed courses do not appear on Official Transcript)

# Focus for Grade Eleven:

- Beginning to research post-secondary options, especially if considering USA
- Choosing appropriate electives
- Being aware of grad requirements
- Being committed to course work
- Keeping organized – agenda books
- Being an active participant in school life
- Think about writing the SAT if applying to U.S. college or university

# Extra-Curricular Activities:

Golf

Rowing

Football

Skiing

Soccer



Basketball

Tennis

Volleyball

Field Hockey

Rugby

Dance

Swimming

Gymnastics

# Extra-Curricular Activities:

Student Council

Many Clubs

Drama /Improv

Travel

Christmas Food Hampers

CIBC Run For The Cure

Tech Crew

Yearbook

Intramurals

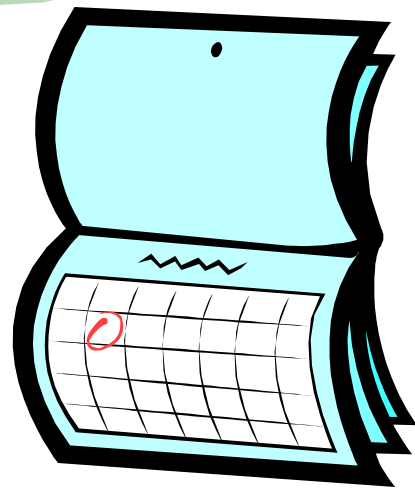
Debating

Concerts

Contests



# Keeping in touch...



- Contact
  - Teachers
  - Counsellors
  - Administration
- Reporting
  - Interims
  - Report cards
  - Interviews
- School Calendar
  - Web Site
  - School Newsletter
  - HPAC





*Deadline for  
Programming  
Forms:*

**Mar. 2, 2012**  
To Student Services

<http://www.nvsd44.bc.ca/SchoolSites/Handsworth.aspx>

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