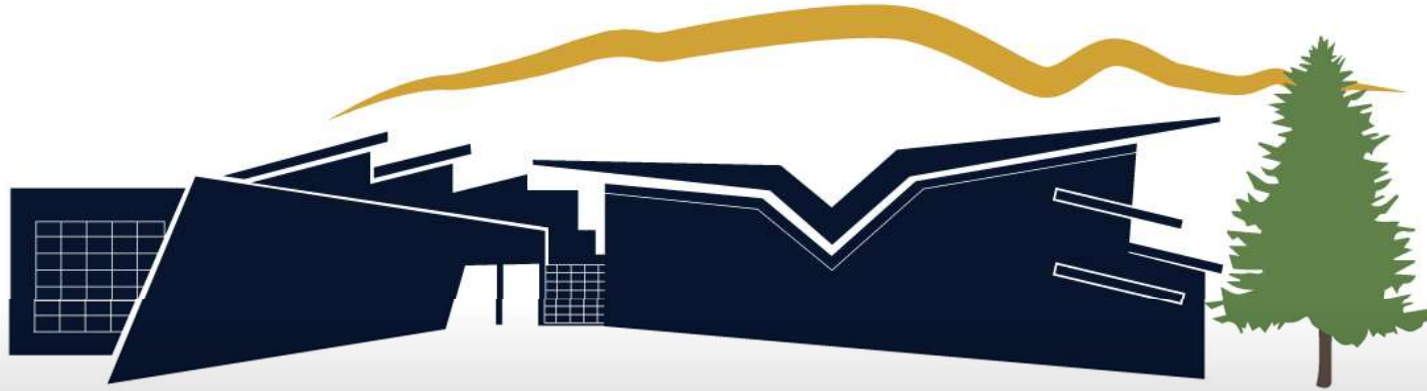


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# EDWARD MILNE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 62 (Sooke)

***Welcome to EMCS  
- Preparing for Grade 9 -***



# EDWARD MILNE

## COMMUNITY SCHOOL

*Counsellors:*

*Sharon Jesson (A – L)*

*Allan Phipps (M – Z & International Students)*



# School Counsellors

- Personal counselling: depression, stress, anxiety, self-esteem, relationship concerns, substance abuse, etc.  
***Yes.... We are “real counsellors”.*** 😊
- Academic advising and scheduling
- Career exploration & post-secondary planning
- Referral to outside agencies
- Information regarding special opportunities e.g. Rotary-sponsored adventures, student travel, scholarships, Teen Mentorship ...





# Today's Focus

- **What EMCS has to offer**
- **Courses**
  - required courses
  - Intro Math 9
  - second languages
  - electives
  - academies
  - Learning About Learning
  - outside timetable options
- **Selecting Courses**
  - Important dates and your to do list
  - “Primary” and “Alternate” requests



# Academics



# Sports





# Arts



# Applied Skills





# Outdoors Programs





# Community



# Grad Program



## Grade 9

- Foundation Year



## Grades 10-12 (Grad Program)

- Must accumulate 80 credits  
(4 per course)
- Choice increases with each year

# Grade 9 Courses

- English Language Arts 9
- Math 9
- Science 9
- Social Studies 9
- Physical & Health Education 9
- Career Education 9
- Elective: \_\_\_\_\_ (or Intro Math 9)
- Elective: \_\_\_\_\_
- Elective: \_\_\_\_\_



# Grade 9 French Immersion

- English Language Arts 9
- Français Langue 9
- Math 9
- Sciences 9
- Science Humaines 9
- Physical & Health Education 9
- Career Education 9 (Immersion)
- Elective: \_\_\_\_\_ (or Intro Math 9)
- Elective: \_\_\_\_\_



# Earning Credits with Grade 10 Electives!

- 4 credits per Grade 10 course
- Grade 9 students may take Grade **10** level electives and start earning credits towards graduation!



# The EMCS Schedule

- 9 courses per year
- **Career Education 9**
  - all year, blended into other courses, some special presentations/activities
- To be determined:  
Semester system, quarter system, octa system



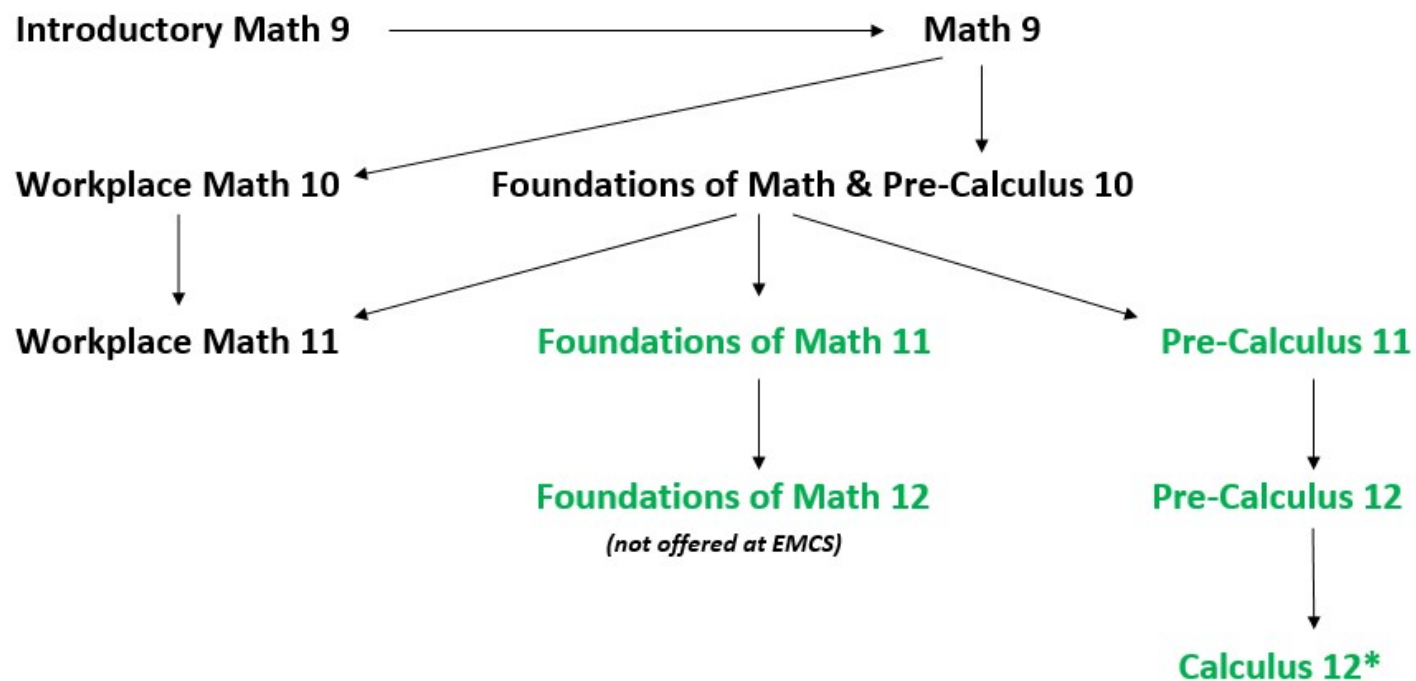


# Selecting Your Courses

- **The Big Decisions for Grade 9**
  - Intro Math 9
  - French 9, Spanish 9
  - Electives
  - Academy



# Math



\*Dual Credit option available

University entrance pathway(s) in green

# Intro Math 9

- For students who struggled a lot in Math 8
- Reinforces concepts from Math 8
- To boost skills before taking Math 9
- Takes an “elective” spot in your schedule
- **Is Intro Math for you?**
  - Talk to your teacher.



# French 9

- not required but may be a good idea
- **second language to the Grade 11 level is required for direct entry into UBC and SFU for all programs**
- second language may be required for entry into some programs at other universities
- French 9 is recommended if you are doing well and enjoy French.



# Spanish 9

- not required but may be a good idea
- no previous experience in Spanish is required
- **Spanish 11 meets the second language 11 requirement for direct entry into UBC and SFU.**









## Physical & Health Education 9



You must do **ONE** of:

- Physical & Health Education 9
- Hockey Academy  
PHE 9 Hockey (with Jr. Hockey Athletic Training)
- Soccer Academy  
PHE 9 Soccer (with Jr. Soccer Athletic Training)

An additional online registration is required for Academies. See EMCS website under *"Programs.... Academies"*.

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Elective: Superfit Strength & Conditioning 10









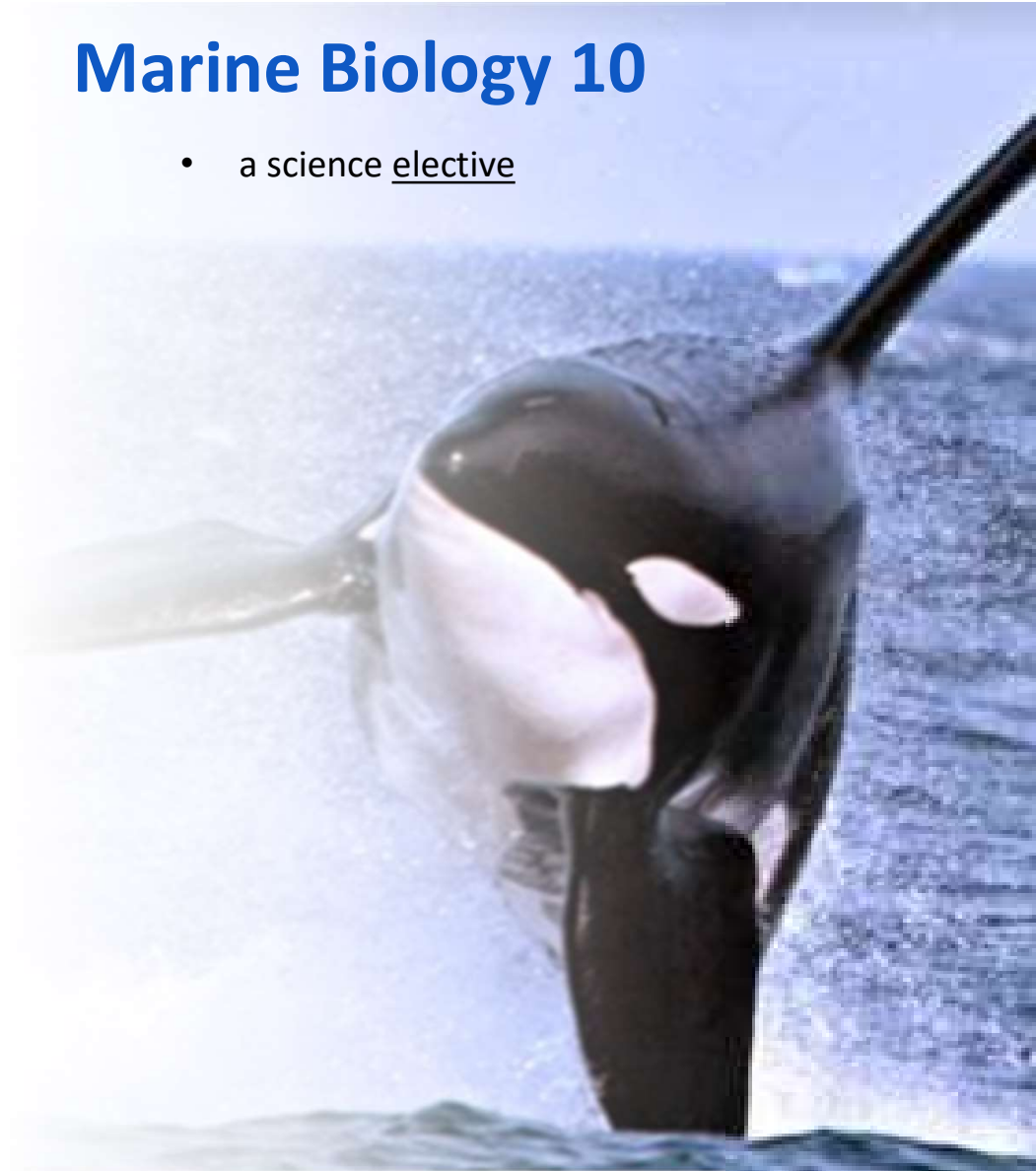






# Marine Biology 10

- a science elective





# Eco Academy



- Science 9ECO & Foods 10ECO
- Key themes: Eco-Literacy, Community, Experiential Learning, Global & Local Food Systems
- Rigorous classroom and lab work
- Inquiry, Collaboration, Self-Direction

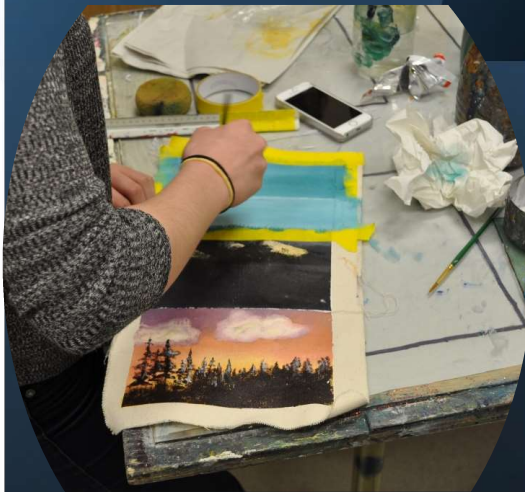
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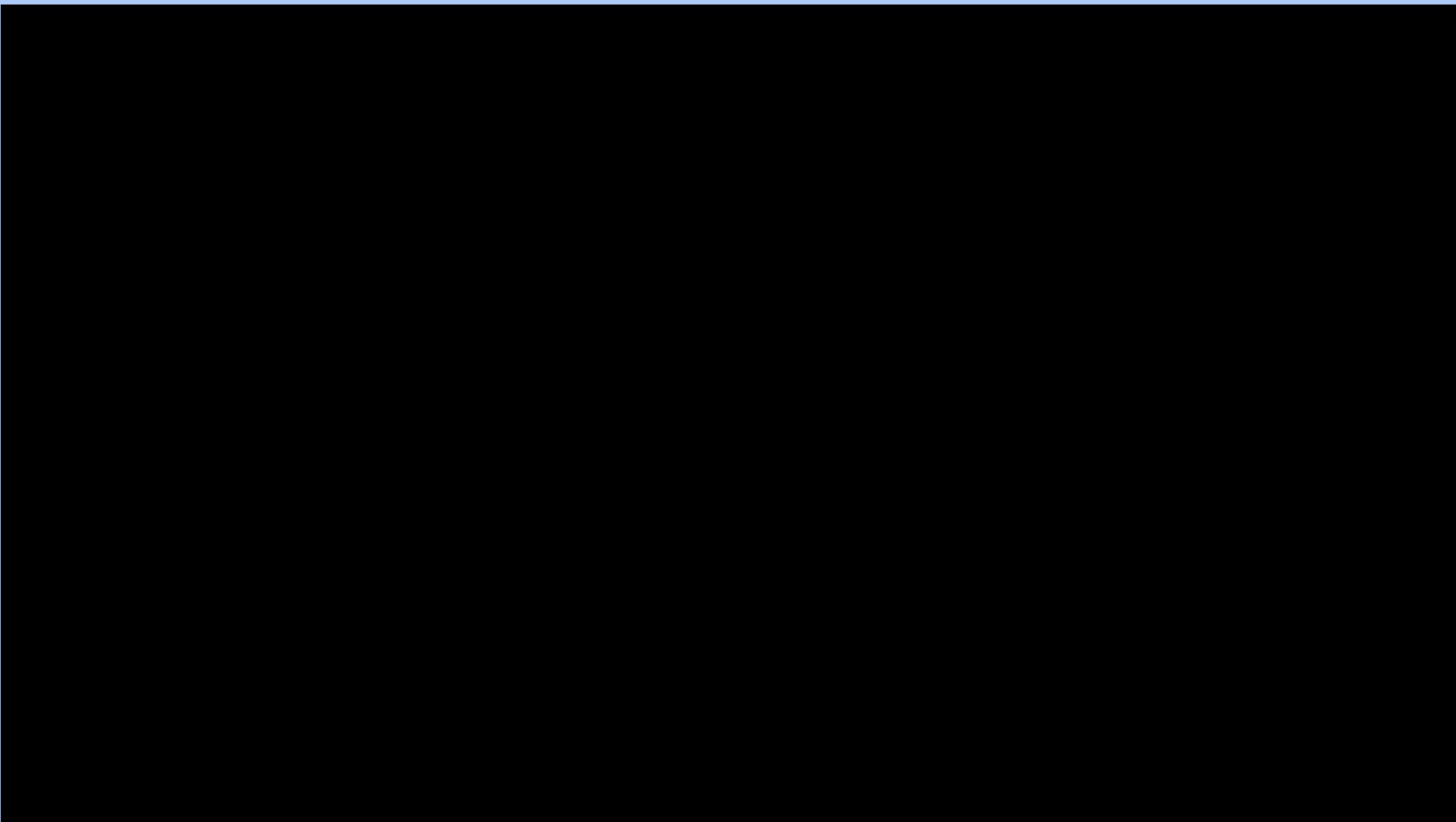


# Arts Education



- Drama 10
- Musical Theatre 10
- Film 10
- Visual Arts: Studio Art 10
- Visual Arts: Photography 10

















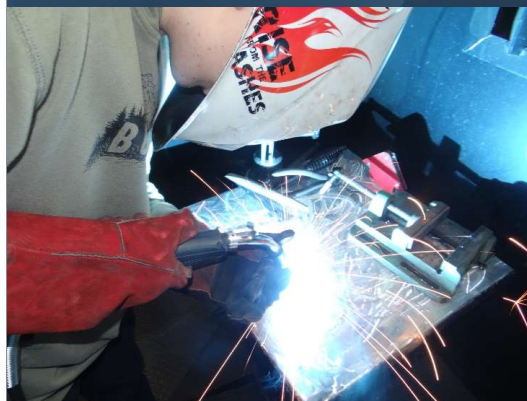








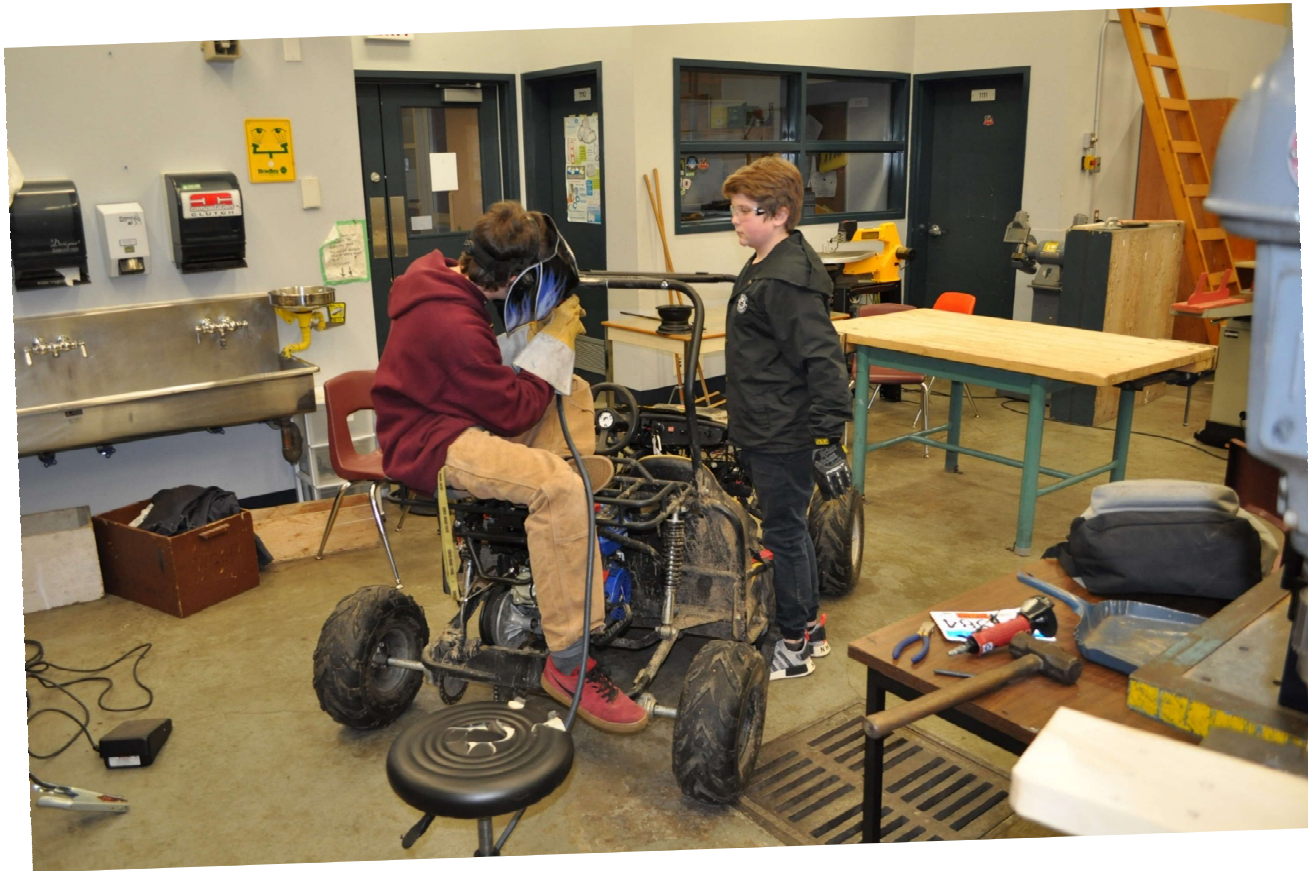
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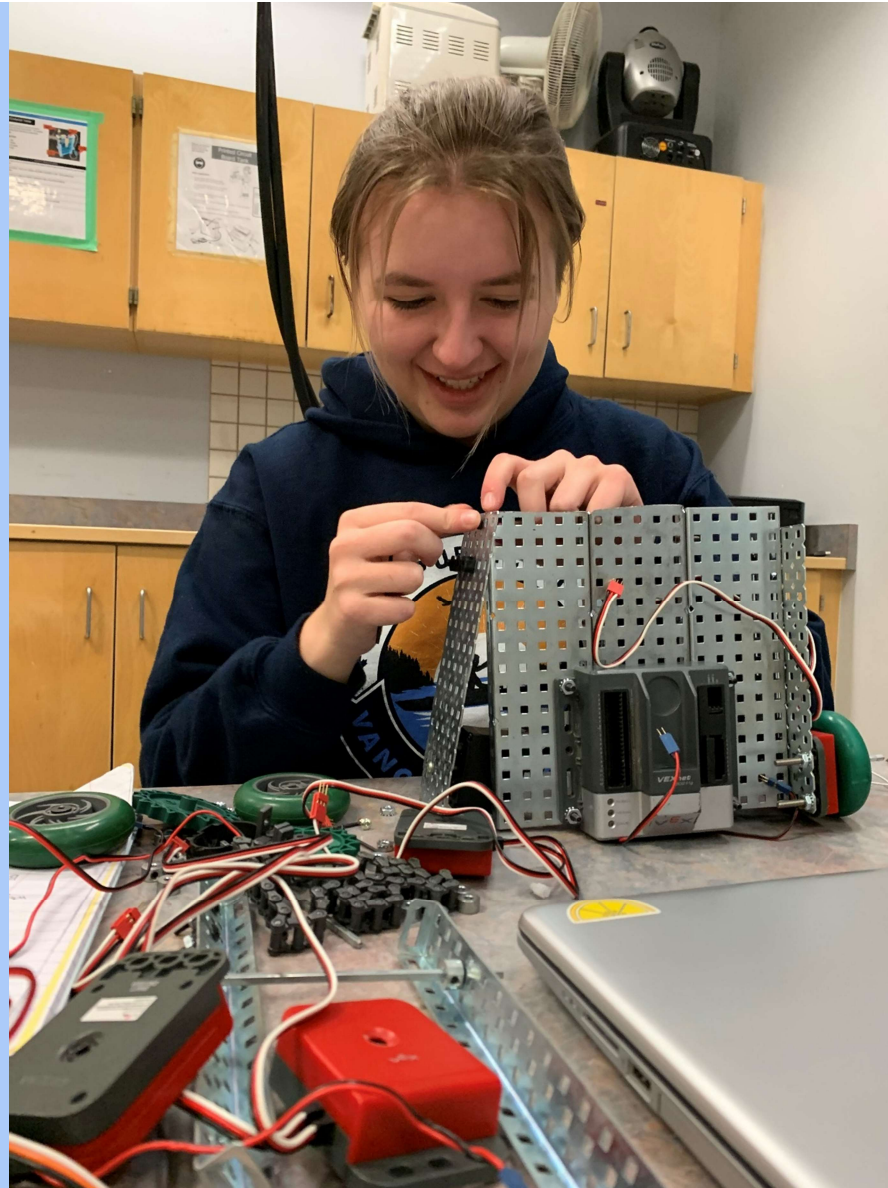
- Computer Studies 10
- Drafting 10
- Electronics & Robotics 10
- Metalwork 10
- Woodwork 10
- Textiles 10
- Sustainability 10
- Food Studies 10
- Culinary Arts 10 (with permission of instructor)  
*Email Mr. Caryk at [scaryk@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:scaryk@sd62.bc.ca) and cc your EMCS counsellor.*

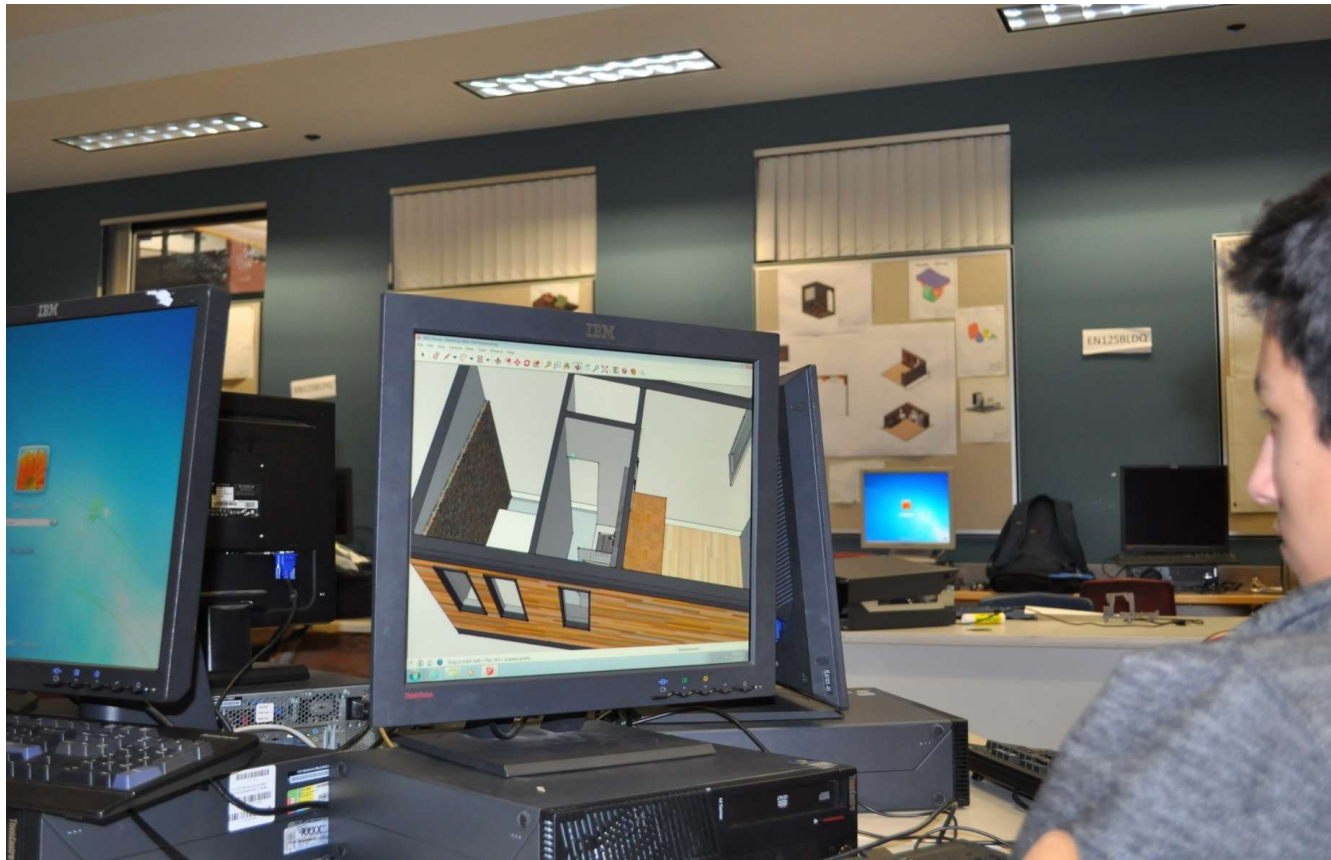




































# Metal TASK

(Gr. 11/12)

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# Inclusive Education Services

## (Learning Support)



- **An elective: Learning About Learning 10**
  - help with homework, study strategies, test taking, organization, coping skills, etc.
  - for students with identified learning difficulties and/or a history of learning assistance.
  - not possible to select this course. Placement is made in consultation with IES teachers.
- IES teachers also provide support on a drop-in basis in the Learning Support Room.
- IES also offers in-class support. (IES teachers & Education Assistants)






# Outside Timetable Courses




- Leadership 9
- Band 9
- Instrumental Music: Jazz Band 10
- Sports Performance: Rugby 10





# Entering Course Requests on the Student Portal



One Student.  
One Record.  
All of British Columbia.

- **“Primary Requests”**: The 9 courses you want.
  - English Language Arts 9
  - Math 9
  - Science 9
  - Social Studies 9
  - Physical & Health Education 9
  - Career Education 9
  - Elective: \_\_\_\_\_ (or Intro Math 9)
  - Elective: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Elective: \_\_\_\_\_
- Some primary requests will be pre-selected for you.
- Outside the timetable courses (Band, Leadership, Rugby) are “primary requests” too AND are in addition to the required 9.
- **“Alternate Requests”**: 3 back-up choices for electives



## Please do NOT do this....

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- Primary Requests  
English 9, Math 9, Science 9,  
Social Studies 9, PHE 9, Careers 9,  
Woodwork 10, Film 10,  
Metalwork 10
- Alternate Requests  
Woodwork 10, Film 10,  
Metalwork 10



# Course Descriptions

- Read the course descriptions carefully before making your choices.
- Very difficult to make schedule changes in September.





# Sample Course Description

## – SUSTAINABILITY 10 (YRNR-0A)

In this course, students will begin to explore the connections between sustainable lifestyle choices, self-sufficiency, healthy food systems, and sustainable local and global communities. Students will be involved in a combination of research, projects, seed to table gardening, sustainability labs, and discussions. The EMCS school garden, greenhouse, and orchard will be highly integrated in to this course, and students will connect with local food producers. Hands-on learning will focus on collaborative cooking, baking, and horticulture as these trades are introduced.

**CREDIT:** 4 **TYPE:** Home Economics **GRADE:** 9-10



# Edward Milne

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**Current Grade 8 Students**

Current Grade 9 to 11 Students

Course descriptions are found here.

Instructions are found here.

## Finding Instructions & Course Descriptions

# Course Planning Sheet



Mailed home



Available on our website



To help you plan your course requests and make sure you select the correct number of courses

# Course Selection Steps



Read course descriptions  
online  
**now**



EMCS Virtual Tour Video  
posted on the EMCS  
website **Jan. 22**



Online Q & A meeting with  
Gr. 8 classes  
**Jan. 28 @ 9:30am**



Evening online Q & A  
meeting for  
parents/students  
**Jan. 28 @ 7:00pm**



Course Selection Worksheet  
complete and reviewed by  
teacher  
**Feb. 1**



EMCS staff visits Journey to  
help with Student Portal  
set-up & course requests  
entry  
**TBA Feb. 1 to 11**



Course Requests due in the  
Student Portal  
**Feb. 16**





# Other Transition Activities

In addition ....

- EMCS Counsellors meet with Grade 8 teachers about their students in June.
- First day of school year for Grade 9's only
  - Tuesday, September 7
  - schedule to be posted online and emailed home





**KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
TALK TO YOUR  
SCHOOL  
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