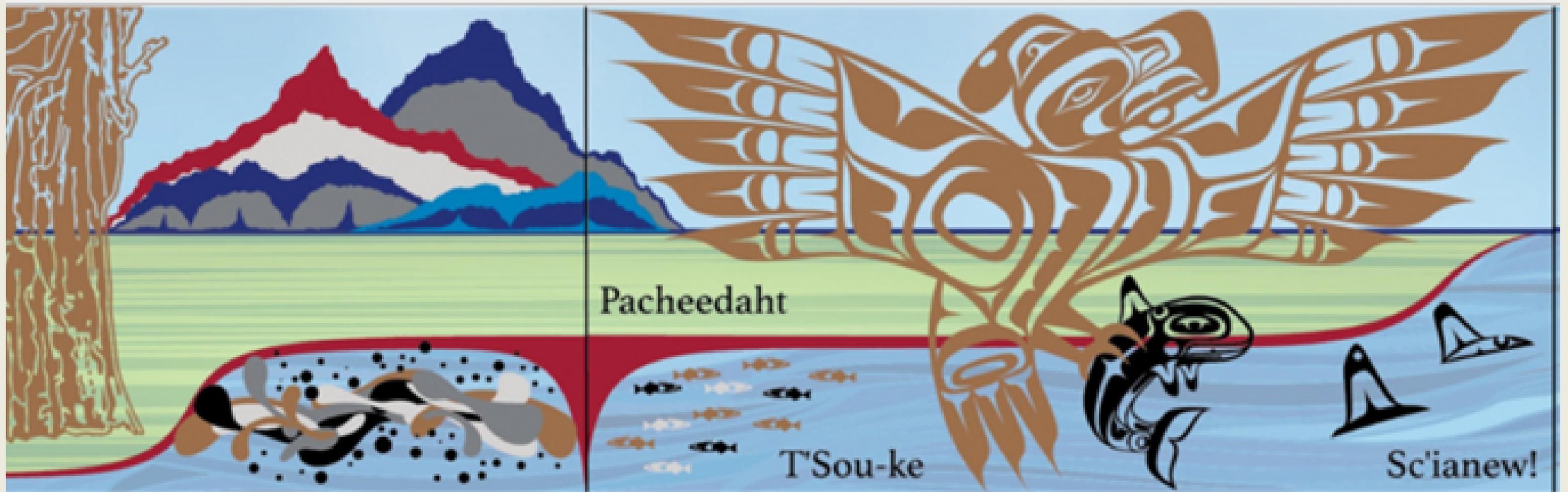


Welcome to EMCS





Territorial Welcome

With gratitude and respect, SD62 acknowledges the traditional territories of the Coast Salish: T'Sou-ke Nation, SĆIÅNEW (Beecher Bay) Nation, and the Nuu-chah-nulth: Pacheedaht Nation. We also recognize that some of our schools are located on the traditional territories of the Malahat Nation, and the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations.



PVP

Mike Bobbitt Principal

Tanya Phillips VP (A-L)

Stephan Perren VP (M-Z)



School Counsellors

Jessica Crockett (A-L)

Allen Phipps (M-Z)



Office Staff

Carrie Kennedy: Office Manager

Melissa Smith: Accounts Clerk

Nastazja Pedersen: Information Systems



Student Support

Inclusive Education Services

- IEP supports
- Education Assistants (EA's)
- Learning support

Safe Schools

- Student Advocates
- Student Engagement Facilitator
- Game Ready Program



Ali Maggie Tiffany

NA'TSA'MAHT Indigenous Education

- Engagement with all students
- Role Models / Elders
- Education towards Truth and Reconciliation
- Connection with local Nations



EMCS SCHOOL PLAN

2025-2026

Purpose: *A roadmap for the EMCS community, guiding decision making to improve student achievement and well-being for the 2025-2026 school year.*



1

Strengthen
Belonging and
Student Voice

2

Increase Student
Attendance and
Engagement

3

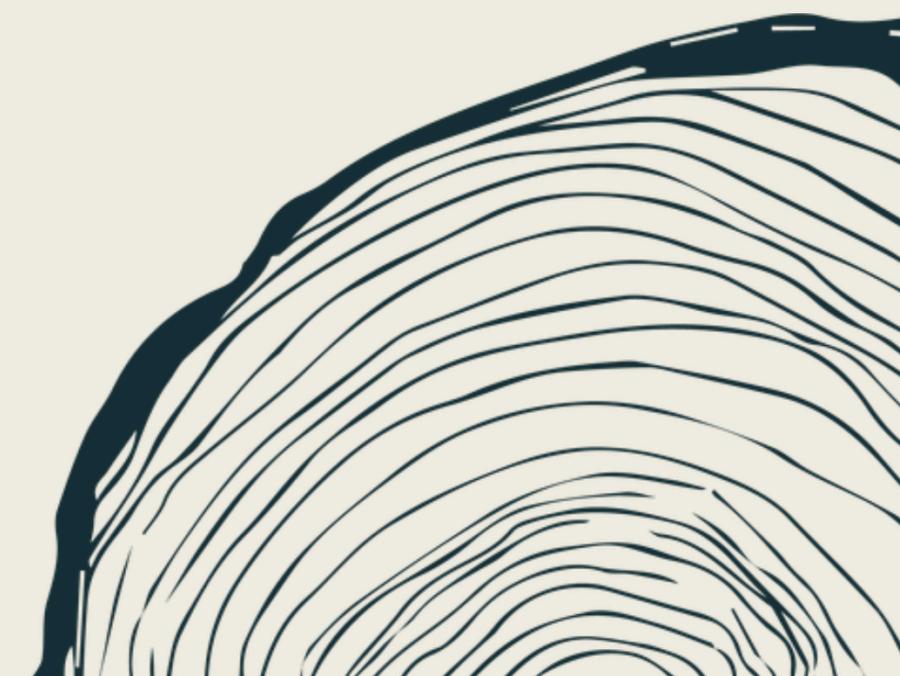
Improve Literacy,
Numeracy, and
Digital Literacy

Cell Phone Policy

- Province wide expectation for **no-phones** during instructional time
- Phones need to be in phone hotels
- Please contact office in case of emergency



Open campus and expectations in our community



Building a Culture of Attendance

At EMCS Attendance Matters

Rates of chronic absenteeism (students missing 10% or more of the school year) have increased in recent years. Regular attendance is essential for student learning, wellbeing, and future success. At EMCS, attendance is about more than being physically present; it reflects responsibility, connection, and preparation for life beyond school. We recognize that students and families bring different circumstances and barriers, and we are committed to combining **clear expectations**, **supportive systems**, and **early intervention** to help every student attend consistently and meaningfully.

Supportive Systems and Early Intervention

 <p>Good attendance takes teamwork. We rely on support at home: routines and structures.</p>	 <p>Parents & Caregivers: please log into MyEdBC to track students attendance.</p>	 <p>The school emails families when students have unexcused absences.</p>
 <p>Due to improved data collection, the school will contact you if we notice concerning patterns.</p>	 <p>School based team for identifying chronic absenteeism and implement supports.</p>	 <p>Parents/Caregiver communication with the school if their student will be absent, late and/or need to sign out early.</p>

Attendance

School Goal - improving student attendance

- Good attendance takes teamwork and communication
 - support at home
 - routines & structures
- Communicating with families for early intervention

Graduation Pathway

Grad Pathway and Credits

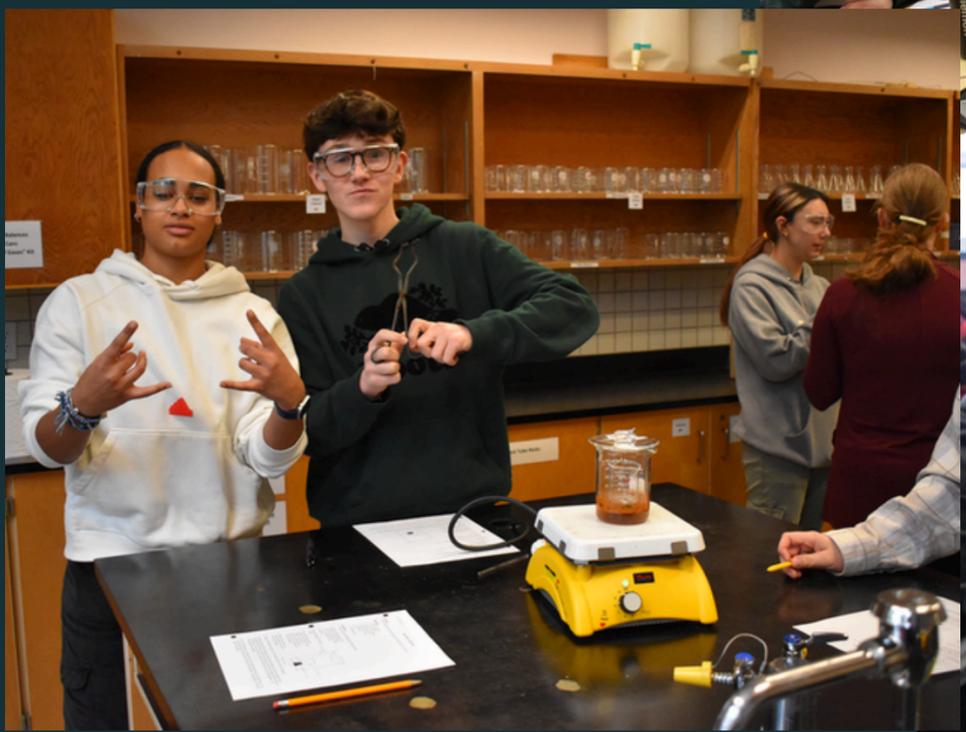
Grade 9			Grade 10			Grade 11			Grade 12		
Course/Level	Mark	Credit	Course/Level	Mark	Credit	Course/Level	Mark	Credit	Course/Level	Mark	Credit
English 9		0	Eng		4	Eng		4	Eng		4
Socials 9		0	Soc		4	Soc		4	-		4
Math 9		0	Math		4	Math		4	-		4
Science 9		0	Sci		4	Sci		4	-		4
PHE 9		0	CLE 10		4	-		4	-		4
Career Ed. 9		0	PHE 10		4	-		4	-		4
-			-		4	-		4	-		4
-			-		4	-		4	-		4
-			-		4	CLC12A		2	CLC12B		2
Credits for Gr. 10 Electives			Year 1 Credits			Year 2 Credits			Year 3 Credits		

And YES, you can fail Grade 9 classes



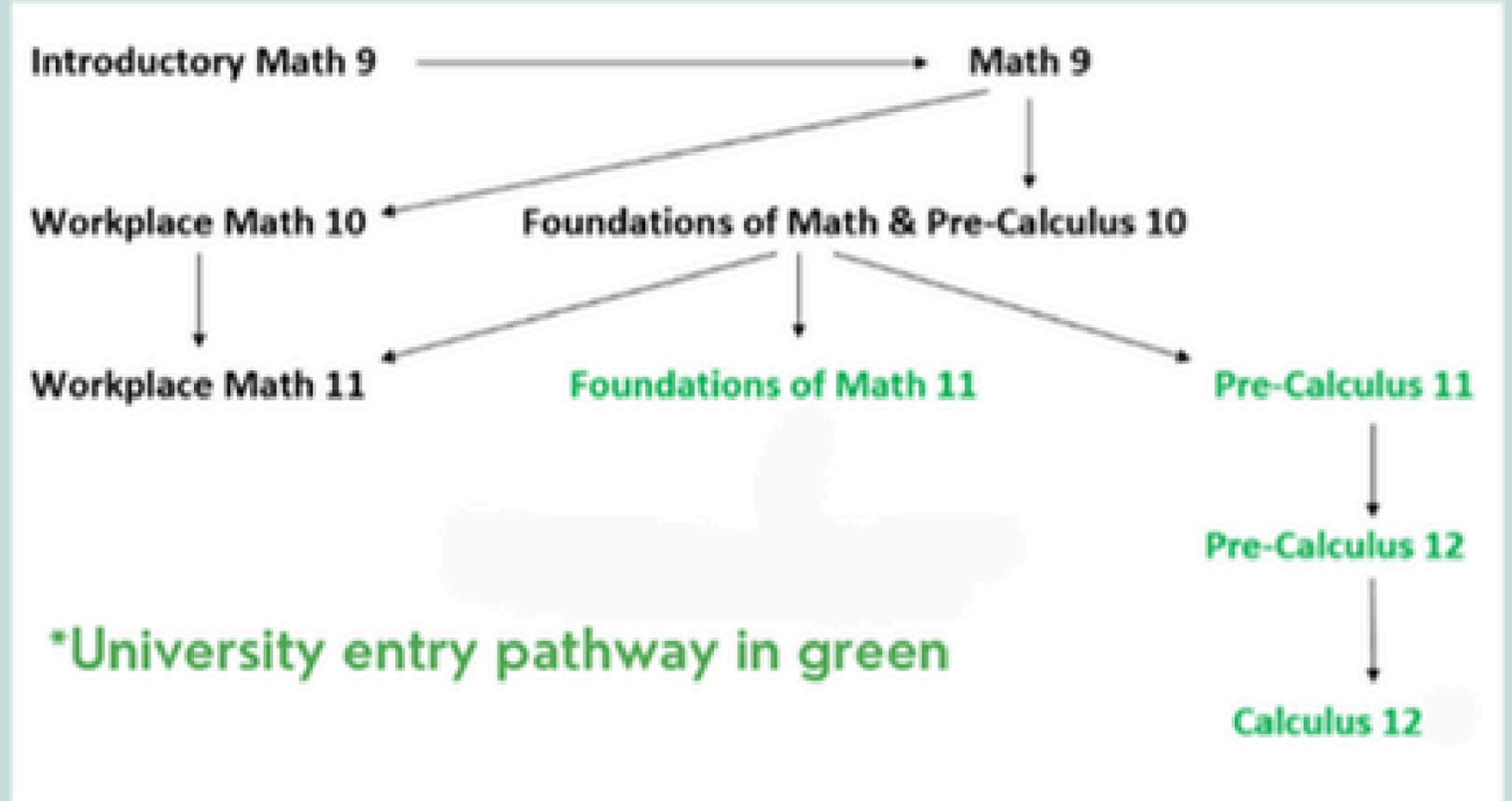
Required Courses

- English
- Socials
- Science
- Math
- PHE
- *Careers



Intro Math 9

- For students who struggle in Math 8
- Reinforces concepts from Math 8
- To boost skills and success before taking Math 9
- Is an elective
- Semester 1 - Intro Math 9
- Semester 2 - Math 9



Not sure? Ask your teacher for input or advice!

Selecting your grade 9 courses...

Academics

Arts

Academies

ADST



Grade 9 at EMCS

Required Courses

Math 9

English 9

Social Studies 9

Science 9

Physical Health
Education 9

Online: Careers 9

Electives

1

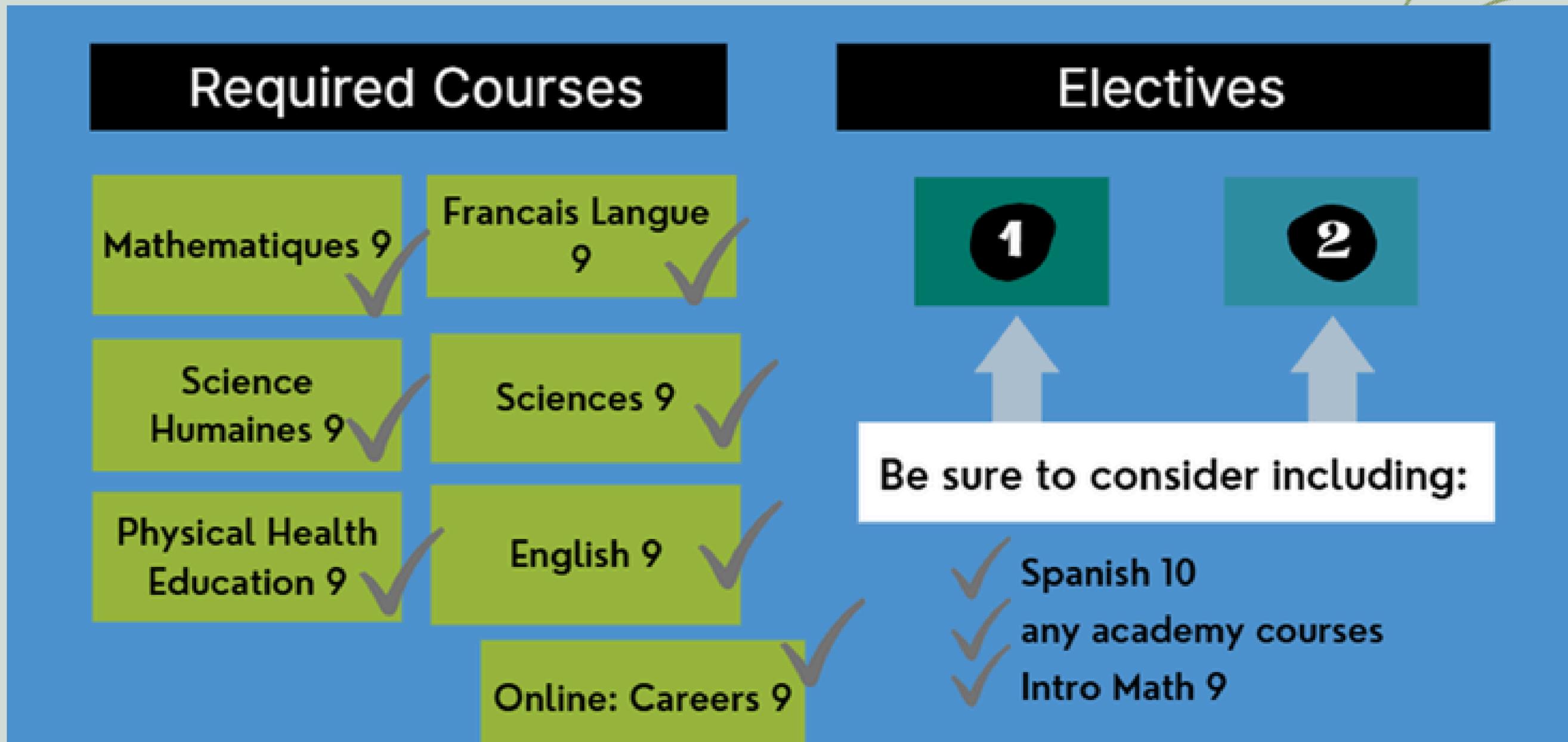
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Be sure to consider including:

- ✓ a language 9 course
- ✓ any academy courses
- ✓ Intro Math 9

Grade 9 French Immersion at EMCS



Marine Biology Sustainability



Visual Arts & Textiles

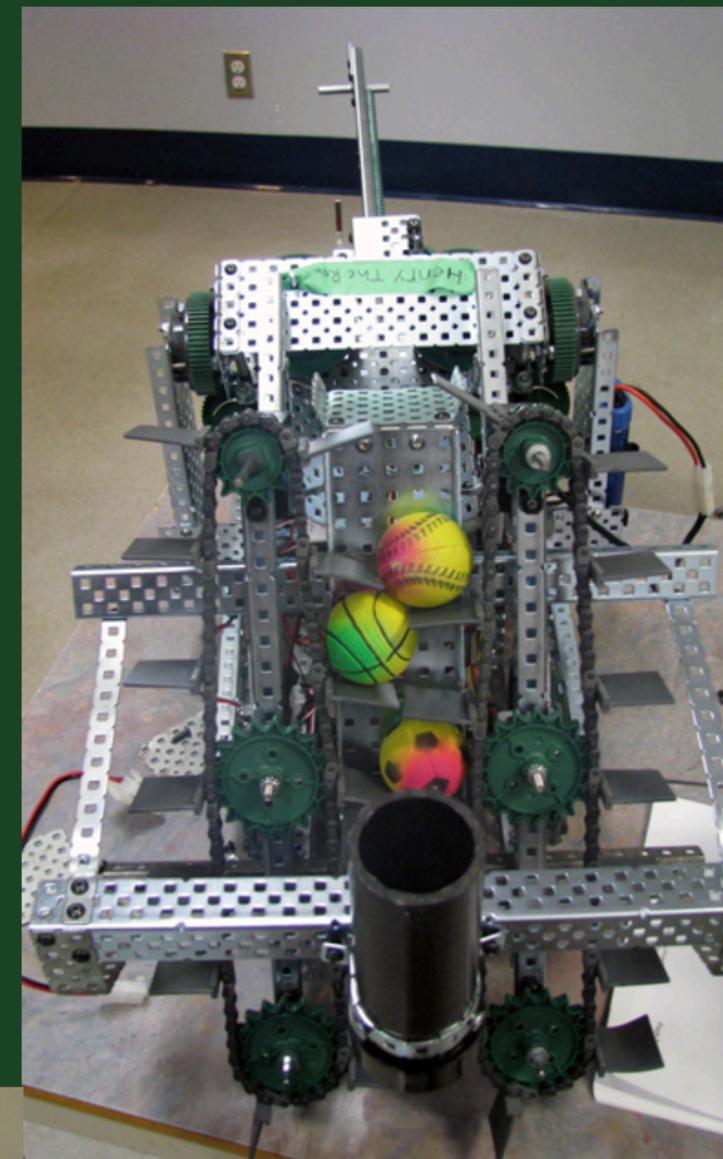
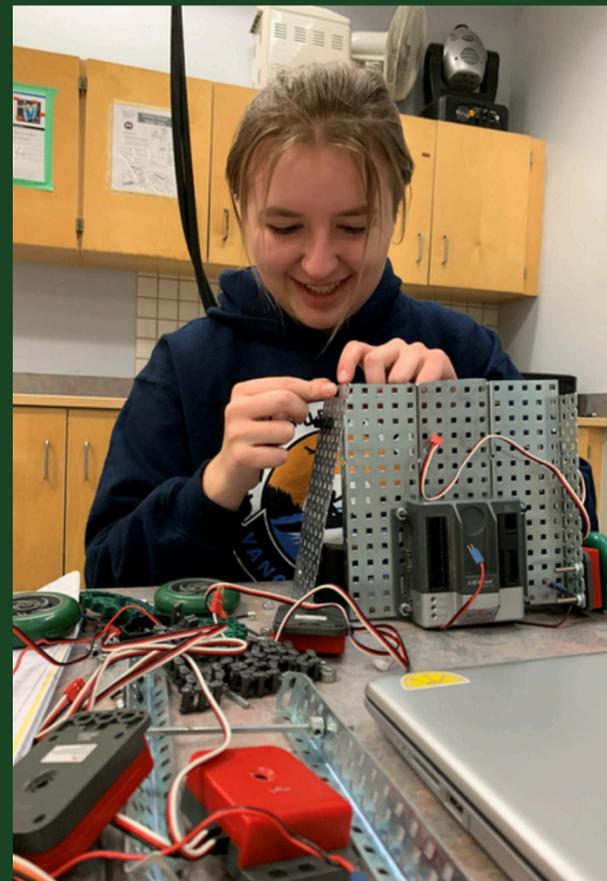


Musical Theatre Theatre Production



Band
Choir
Yearbook
Leadership

Film
Photography
Computers
Electronics
Media Design



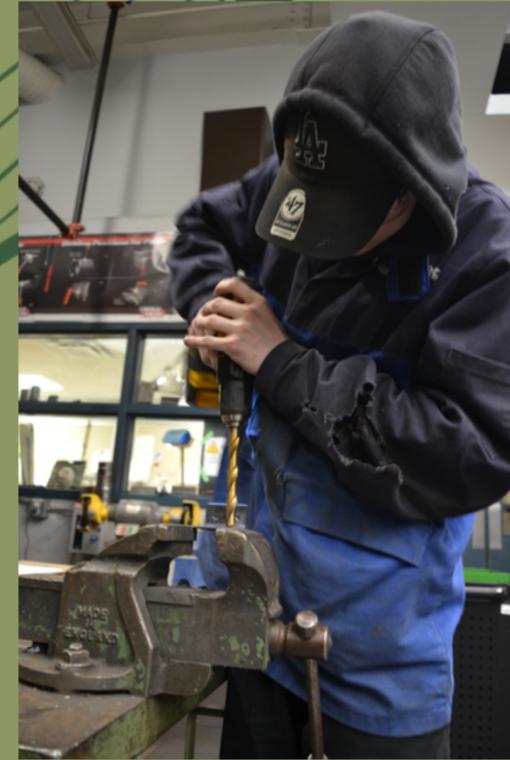
Foods & Culinary (Grades 10+)

Get your munch card to purchase food from the cafeteria - preload using School Cashonline Food Security - a free item to anyone who needs it





French & Spanish



Wood shop & Metal shop

PHE Electives

- Sports Performance
Mountain Biking
- Golf Skills
- Superfit Strength and
Conditioning



Career Education

- **Grade 9 Careers**
- Career Life Education – Grade 10
- Career Life Connections 12A – Grade 11
- Grad Capstone 12B – Grade 12

Careers Department will also support with many other opportunities:

- Dual Credit (ex. EMR)
- Work Experience (WEX)
- Youth Work and Trades (YWT)
- Youth Train and Trades (YTT)



EMCS Sports Academies

Soccer
Hockey
Softball



SD62 Academies

Secondary and Middle School Registrations opens February 25th @ 8am

Online Registration Portal: www.sd62.bc.ca/programs-services/academies

REGISTER EARLY AS SPACES ARE LIMITED IN SOME PROGRAM

Financial Assistance Available – Please visit our website for more information

www.sd62.bc.ca/programs/academies

Academy Information Fees and Registration

These choice programs are either hosted:

- at schools during the regular school day
- the District Academies Team outside the regular school day

We encourage families to review the academy offerings below and determine whether any of these exciting opportunities are well suited to their student-athlete and family.

Please note: When registering for an academy program, **do not** complete a school change request form. If you are accepted, this step is already included as part of the academy application process.

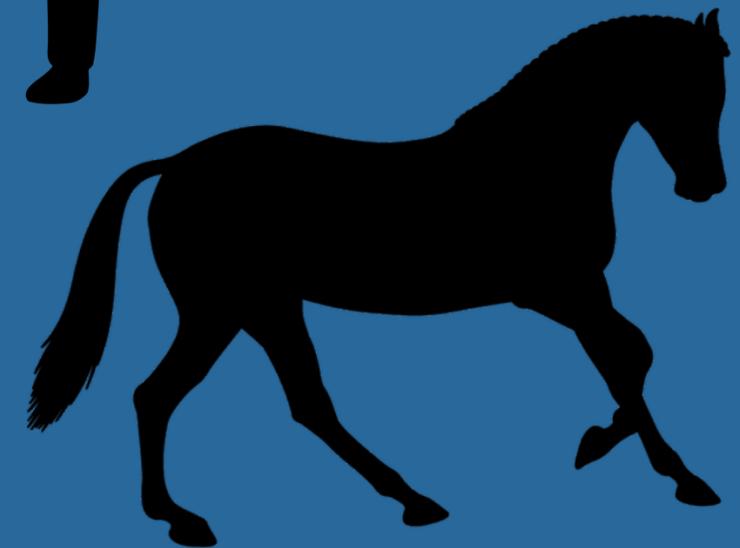
Note: Updated academy program fees will be posted in February 2026.

Academy registration opens on **February 25 at 8AM**. It remains open until an academy reaches capacity.

District Academy Programs

After school programs are open to all Middle and Secondary grades (6 to 12)

- Golf Academy
- Equestrian Academy
- PACE - Musical Performance Academy



Financial Assistance Programs

Please call
Academies Office
250 391 9006

There are programs that students and parents can access to assist with fees:

1. KidSport - Local Victoria chapter can provide up to \$600 per child to assist with academy fees
2. Jumpstart - Local Victoria chapter can provide up to \$400 per child to assist with academy fees
3. Sport Assist - Provides up to \$1000 in assistance for students living in Sooke School District

Athletics (teams)



Basketball
Soccer
Rugby
Ultimate
Badminton
Volleyball
Golf
Track & Field

EMCS Bell Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i>Welcome bell at 8:35</i>				<i>Welcome bell at 8:35</i>
A 8:40-11:35 <i>Break 10:05-10:15</i>	C 8:40-11:35 <i>Break 10:05-10:15</i>	B 8:40-11:35 <i>Break 10:05-10:15</i>	D 8:40-11:35 <i>Break 10:05-10:15</i>	A 8:40-9:45
				<i>Break 9:45-9:55</i>
				B 9:55 – 11:00
<i>Lunch: 11:35– 12:15</i>				<i>Lunch: 11:00-11:40</i>
<i>Welcome bell at 12:10</i>				<i>Welcome Bell: 11:35</i>
B 12:15-3:11 <i>Break 1:40-1:50</i>	D 12:15-3:11 <i>Break 1:40-1:50</i>	A 12:15-3:11 <i>Break 1:40-1:50</i>	C 12:15-3:11 <i>Break 1:40-1:50</i>	C 11:40 – 12:45
				<i>Break 12:45-12:55</i>
				D 12:55 – 2:01

Two Semesters:

Sept - Jan → 4 classes (e.g. Sc, Math, Wood, PHE)

Feb - June → 4 classes (e.g. Eng, SS, Media Arts, Foods)

EMCS has many programs and services to help students have a fulfilling, productive day.

- Daily activities/clubs
- Food security - breakfast and lunch options
- Intramural sports

LUNCH @ EMCS

Quarter 4

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
FUTSAL & INDOOR SOCCER In the gym GSA <i>New day!</i> Weekly in Portable 2 with Ms. Hawkings & Ms. Verhoeven. <i>Everyone welcome!</i>	RACIAL EQUITY GROUP <i>New!</i> <i>Everyone welcome!!!</i> Runs weekly in the library seminar room. Drop in or come each week. See Ms. Jones for more info. CHESS CLUB <i>New location!</i> Weekly with Mr. Divell in 1094 (Electronics Room) BOARD GAME CLUBS In the Learning Commons NET SPORTS Volleyball, Badminton & Pickleball in the gym	MODERN LANGUAGES CLUB Hi! Hola! On the 1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesdays of the month. Runs in the seminar room with Ms. Loepky. ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB Learning Commons VOLLEYBALL In the gym	ROBOTICS CLUB Room 1094 (Electronics Room) weekly with Mr. Brady BOOK CLUB Biweekly in the seminar room. Sign up with Ms. Jones BASKETBALL In the gym LEADERSHIP CLASS Learning Commons	CREATIVE WRITING With Ms. L'Heureux in the Learning Commons FREE LUNCH! As an EMCS student you can get a free breakfast and/or lunch? Look for the "daily special" at the cafeteria to see the free option each day, no questions asked. Come spend your lunch in the library learning commons or on our outdoor library patio any day!
WEIGHT ROOM: Open Monday to Thursday <i>Everyone welcome</i> *New students must complete an Orientation before using the weight room. See Ms. Hunter for info.				

EDDIE M'S CAFETERIA MENU

FEB 9TH - 12TH ★ DAILY FREE ITEM FOR STUDENTS

MON	TUES	WED	THURS
Chili (Beef+Pork) ★ Baked Winter Squash Curry potato and yam salad Ham and Cheese Panini Spinach and Artichoke Dip Berry Crumble	Pasta Carbonara Carrot Ginger Soup ★ Pasta Salad Spicy Salami Baked Honey Garlic Chicken Wings Carrot Cake	Polenta with Romesco Sauce Chicken Noodle Coleslaw Cheese Melt ★ Nachos with Salsa and Sour Cream Cream Puffs	Chicken Veg. Stir Fry New England Clam Chowder Salad Bar ★ Grilled Chicken Caesar Onion Rings Chocolate Layer Cake
FRI Free meal available in the cafeteria for students! ★			

EMCS has an in-school health clinic available to students every Wednesday

WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS AT THE YOUTH CLINIC



MORNING

9:30 A.M.-
11:30 A.M.



At EMCS in Room 1106
(Beside the Textiles Room)

Counselling, Resources, or Referrals (for people 25 and under)

- Birth control
- Pregnancy testing and options
- Sexual decision making and relationships
- Mental health and wellness
- Illness/Injury

AFTERNOON

2:00 P.M.-
3:00 P.M.



At the Sooke Health Unit
#104-6672 Waddams Way

Clients of any age can receive:

- Naloxone and harm reduction supplies
- Emergency contraceptive
- PAP testing
- STI testing and treatment

DROP IN OR CALL AHEAD
@250-519-3487



EMCS Spirit Wear

- Store is open until February 28th
- Delivered to the school after spring break

Spirit Wear is Back!

January 23, 2025 / School News

[Edit page](#)

Get your EMCS Spirit Wear! The online store is open until March 2, 2025.

Delivery March 31, 2025

Click [HERE](#) to access the online store.



Everyday Tee (Screen Print Logo)

Authentic T-Shirt Company | ATC1000_16676954

C\$15.00



ATC Everyday Fleece Crewneck Sweatshirt (EMB Logo)

Authentic T-Shirt Company | ATCF2400_16676954

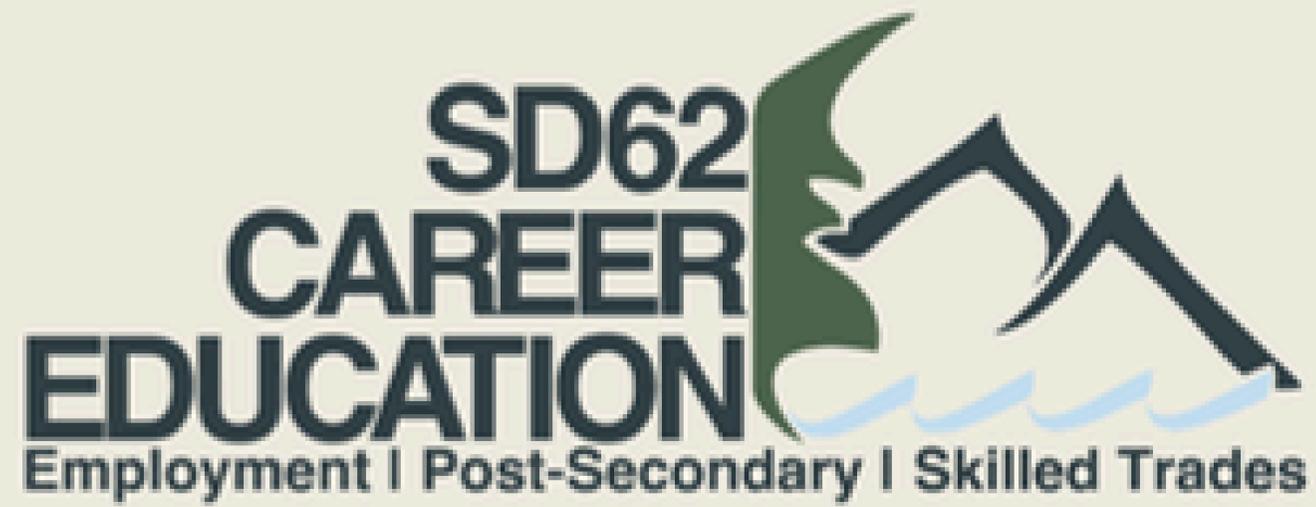
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ATC Everyday Fleece Hooded Sweatshirt (EMB Logo)

Authentic T-Shirt Company | ATCF2500_16676954

C\$50.00



**FROM CLASSROOM TO CAREER:
DUAL CREDIT, WORK EXPERIENCE,
AND THE TRADES**

Grade 8 Parent Presentation



K-12 Career Education

A person's career is considered their "journey" through life, and the Career Education curriculum offers students the opportunity to pursue this journey in personally meaningful and goal-oriented ways.

THE INTRODUCTION

K-3
Learning is a lifelong enterprise.



4-5
Exploring our strengths and abilities can help us identify our goals.



6-7
Our attitudes toward careers are influenced by our view of ourselves as well as by our friends, family, and community.



TRYING NEW SKILLS

8-9
Reflecting on our preferences and skills helps us identify the steps we need to take to achieve our career goals.



10-12
Lifelong learning and active citizenship foster career-life opportunities for people and communities.



WORKING TOWARD THE FUTURE



TASK

TRADES AWARENESS, SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

GRADES 10-12

- Try out different trades
- Gain hands-on experience
- Participate in work experience
- Learn in Camosun shops



FULL-TIME, SEMESTER-
LONG PROGRAM

EARN UP TO 24 CREDITS
TOWARDS GRADUATION

INCLUDES ENTRY LEVEL
INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

PROGRAMS OFFERED IN
AUTOMOTIVE, CONSTRUCTION
AND SHEET METAL TRADES



YOUTH WORK IN TRADES

Ages 14-19

Begin your apprenticeship in high school. Build real skills with on-the-job training as a Youth Apprentice.



Earn 16 elective credits towards graduation

Earn 480 hours towards your registered apprenticeship

Become eligible for a \$1000 trades scholarship

SKILLEDTRADESBC
YOUTH

YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES

Complete a level 1 or foundations program at Camosun College while attending high school.

Develop technical skills that make you job ready.



**SOUTH
ISLAND
PARTNERSHIP**



**EARN GRADE 12 ELECTIVE
CREDITS**

**TUITION IS PAID FOR BY THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**DISCOVER THE MANY TRADE
PATHWAYS AVAILABLE TO YOU**





WORK EXPERIENCE 12 (WEX) GRADES 10-12

Volunteer

Earn up to 8 grade 12 elective credits.
Gain meaningful experiences to support
your career pathway.

Work

Explore a Career

DUAL CREDIT COURSES AND PROGRAMS

GRADE 11 & 12

- Earn post-secondary **transferrable** course credits while still in high school.
- Tuition is **sponsored** by the school district.
- First-year **courses** offered in a variety of formats.
- Full **programs** offered - start planning for these in grade 10.



**Justice
Institute**
BRITISH COLUMBIA



Royal Roads
UNIVERSITY



CAMOSUN



**SOUTH
ISLAND**
PARTNERSHIP



HEALTH CAREER DISTRICT SAMPLER PROGRAM

Pilot: Semester 2, 2026-2027

Location: John Horgan Campus Langford
Grade 11 or 12

Explore a variety of in-demand health careers. Connect interests and passions to real-world experiences with a strong focus on hands-on learning.

Learning includes:

- Case management simulations
- Team-based problem solving
- Transferable post-secondary course
- Minimum of 30 hours of work experience in health care settings.

Application required



Events for the rest of the evening:

- **Musical Theatre performance**
- Feel free to walk around the school and meet our staff and learn about our programs

Thanks for coming out!

