

DAVID THOMPSON SECONDARY SCHOOL INVERMERE, B. C.



JUNIOR COURSE SELECTION BOOKLET 2022-2023

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Vision: DTSS is a learning community where we respect ourselves and others, and we strive to fulfill our potential.

Mission: Our mission is to encourage learning by providing opportunity, challenge and guidance.

Values: We are responsible, we are respectful and we aim high to reach our potential.

JUNIOR COURSE SELECTION HANDBOOK

The purpose of this handbook is to provide students and parents with information about courses and programs available at David Thompson Secondary School. Every effort will be made through the counsellors and through this handbook to provide the required information for course selection. It must be emphasized that the final responsibility for course selection remains with each student and his/her parents.

For further information, please contact a school counsellor or administrator (342-9213).

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MESSAGE TO JUNIOR STUDENTS

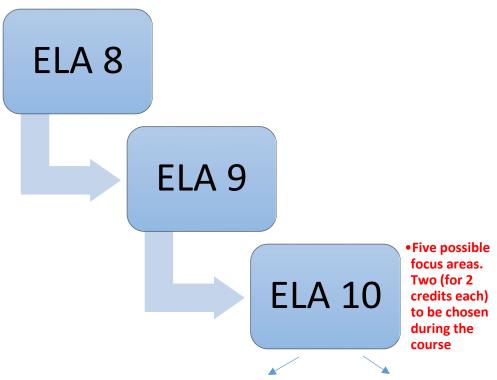
All students are required to take English, Mathematics, Social Studies, Science, Career Education, Physical & Health Education, a FNA and an ASK.

Students in Grade 8 and Grade 9 must have a full timetable which is equivalent to 8 semester courses. From their Selected Studies, one of their courses must include one **FNA course** & one **ASK course**. See the chart below for further information.

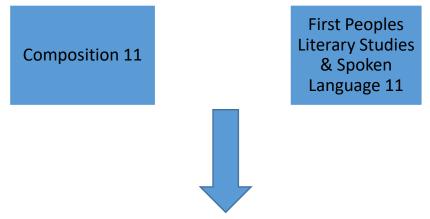
GRADE 9 GRADE 9

Foundation Studies:			Foundation Studies:
Career Ed. 8			Career Ed 9
English 8			English 9
French 8			Physical & Health Education 9
Mathematics 8			Mathematics 9
Physical & Health Education 8			Science 9
Science 8			Social Studies 9
Social Studies 8			
Sub Total	6.5	5.5	Sub Total
Selected Studies	1.5	2.5	Selected Studies
Total Semester Courses	8	8	Total Semester Courses

Foundation courses must be taken in the grade indicated by the course number. The only exception to this may occur if a course failure is involved.



Students choose one of 2 choices (for 4 credits) to fulfill the grade 11 English Language Arts requirement



Students must take one of the two courses (for 4 credits) to meet graduation requirements

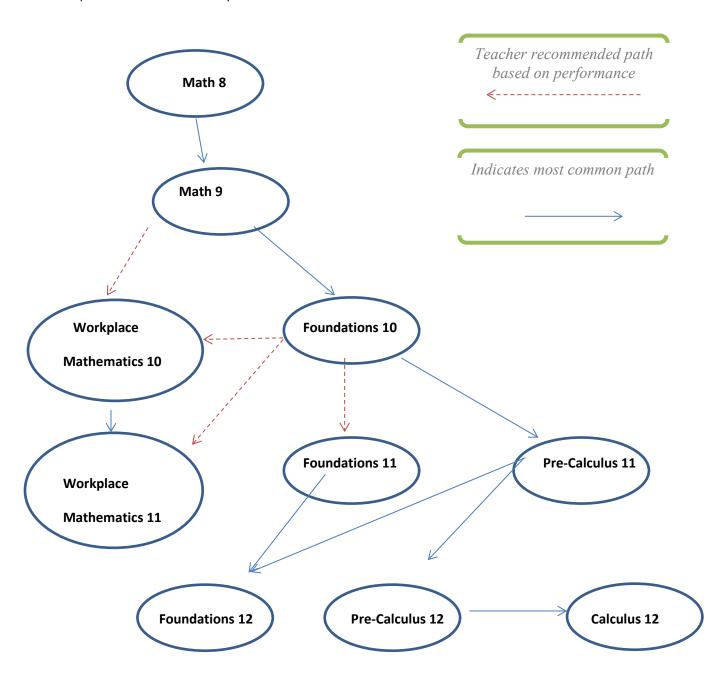
English English First Studies 12 Peoples 12

Elective Choice for grades 10 -12 students

Creative Writing 12

MATHEMATICS COURSES

Certain degree programs may have different requirements. It is essential that students investigate the required courses. DTSS Student Services can assist in providing updated information for post-secondary requirements in and out of province



Science Course Path

Biology, Chemistry, and Physics are recognized as a Grade 11/12 science course by postsecondary institutions. Science for Citizens is accepted as credit towards graduation but <u>MAY NOT</u> be recognized as a Science requirement by post-secondary institutions.

Science 8
Science 9
Science 9

Life Sciences 11
Chemistry 11
Physics 11
Science for Citizens 11

Anatomy & Physiology 12
Chemistry 12
Physics 12

Grade 8

Career Education 8: 1 quarter

CAREER EDUCATION

9

Career Education 9: 1 quarter

10 or 11

Career-Life Education 10: 1 semester (classroom)

12

Career-Life
Connections 12:
linear/100 hours
(self-directed
with support)

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Junior Course Selection

Grades 8 & 9

Required Courses

Course Name	<u>Code</u>	<u>Prerequisite</u>	Course Description
Career Ed 8	CE 8		Introduction to values and ethics, career skills, employment-seeking skills, work safety.
Career Ed 9	CE 9	CE 8	Builds on values and ethics understanding, career skills, employment seeking skills, work safety
English 8	EN 8		Introduction to Language Arts and Literature at the secondary level.
English 9	EN 9	EN 8	Builds on the knowledge of Language Arts and Literature.
French 8	FR 8		Using the Intensive French methodology students will learn French with a strong oral component. Students will obtain a DELF A1 Primary level.
Enhanced French 8	EFR 8	Intensive French 7	Course will follow the curriculum guidelines and expectations of the Intensive French program. Students will obtain a DELF A2 Primary level.
Enhanced French 9	EFR 9	Enhanced French 8	Course will follow the curriculum guidelines and expectations of the Intensive French program. Students will obtain a DELF A2 Junior level.
French 9	FR 9	FR 8	A continuation of French 8 using the Intensive French methodology. Students will continue to develop the language skills. Student will obtain a DELF A2 Primary level.
Mathematics 8	MA 8	MA 7	See Math explanation and chart.
Mathematics 9	MA 9	MA 8	See Math explanation and chart.
Physical & Health Education 8	PHE 8		Healthy Living
Physical & Health Education 9	PHE 9	PHE 8	Healthy Living
Science 8	SC 8		Introduction to the Cell, Optics, Water Systems, Fluids and Dynamics
Science 9	SC 9	SC 8	Atoms/Elements/Compounds, Reproduction, Electricity and Space.
Social Studies 8	SS 8		Exploration, expansion, and colonization in Europe and North America, local Indigenous history
Social Studies 9	SS 9	SS 8	Revolutions, imperialism and colonialism, physiographic features of Canada

Course Name	<u>Code</u>	<u>Prerequisite</u>	Course Description
Fine Arts			
Sculpture & Ceramics 9	SCULP 9		This course focuses on 3 dimensional art-making processes, though some drawing during the planning stages will be required. Students will create works on the pottery wheels and by using hand-building techniques. Media used will include clay and glazes, papier mache, wire, wood, cardboard and other "found objects".
Drawing & Painting 9	Draw 9		This course focuses on 2 dimensional art-making processes. Students will experiment with a variety of media, including graphite, charcoal, chalk, pastels, India ink, watercolor, acrylic and print-making inks, while honing their representational abilities.
Band 8	BA 8		Group instruction on various instruments. Concert band musical styles.
Band 9	BA 9	BA 8 or permission	Group instruction on various instruments. Concert band musical styles with first introduction to jazz styles.
Drama	DR 9		This course introduces students to the Theatre: Exploration & Imagination, Drama Skills, making Social & Cultural Connections. Major concentration on movement and voice and some script work.

Applied Design Skills & Technology (Applied Skills)

Computers & Communications Devices	ADCC 9	Design and function of digital infrastructures, from personal communication systems to wide area networks and the Internet of Things Social, cultural, and economic impact of mobile devices Systems for information transfer and communication, including videos, blogs, podcasts, and social Keyboarding techniques
Information & Communications Technologies	ADIT 9	Topics include; Coding (HTML.Java); Programing modular components (Raspberry, LEGO, Mindstorms); Cloud-based environment; Networking hardware (wired and wireless network router); Design for web (Coding, Networking Web Page & Video); Strategies for curating and managing personal digital content; Media Today; Keyboarding
Home Economics: Foods	ADFS 9	Introductory course to nutrition and food cookery
Home Economics: Textiles	ADT 9	Introductory course to textiles and sewing skills. Students will learn about basic machine sewing, hand sewing and fabric. Some supplies will need to be purchased.
Tech Education: Metalwork	ADM 9	Introductory metalworking skills and metal art projects.
Tech Education: Woodwork	ADW 9	Introductory hand and machine woodworking skills.