#### 2019 – 20 Course Selection for...



**Bur Oak Secondary School** 

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- Over 300 grade 9 students in September
- Exams are written at the end of each semester
  - January and June
- Bur Oak dress code is similar to what you are used to in elementary school
- Cell phones and smart devices may be used in the halls and cafeteria.
  - Devices can be used in the classroom if permitted by the teacher

## High School Schedule

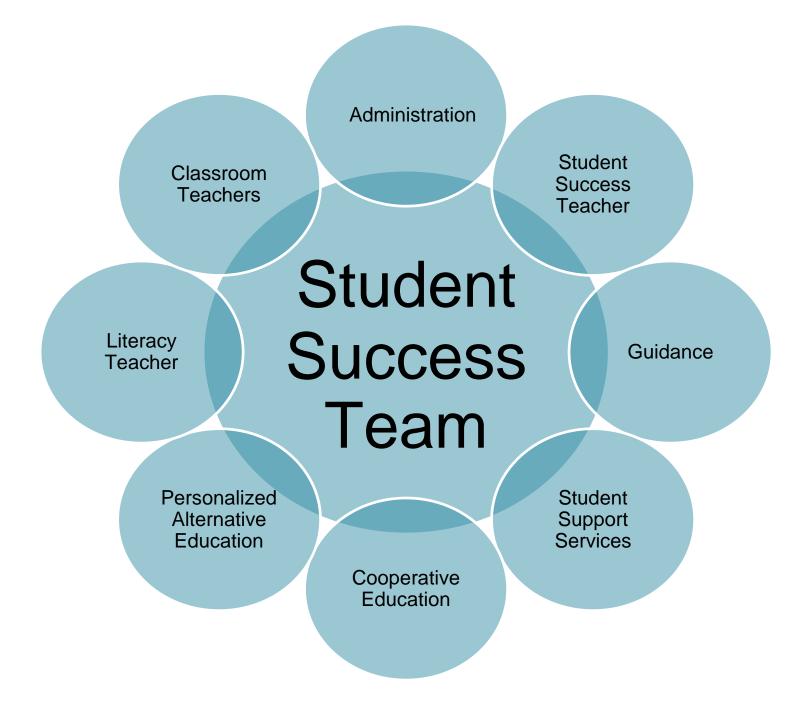
- School year is split into two semesters
  - Semester One: September to January (4 classes)
  - Semester Two: February to June (4 classes)
- School day consists of five 75 minute periods
  - Four class periods and one period for lunch

#### Sample Timetable

Period	Time	Semester I	Semester 2
1	8:15 – 9:35	Geography	English
2	9:40 – 10:55	Mathematics	Business Tech
3	11:00 – 12:15	LUNCH	LUNCH
4	12:20 – 1:35	French	Science
5	1:40 – 2:55	Gym: Healthy Active Living	Visual Arts

## Getting Help in High School





### **ESL Courses for ELL students**

- ESL courses help students develop skills in English
- ESL levels A, B, C, D and E
  - Students must complete an ESL assessment with their Grade 8 teacher for placement
- Discuss your elective courses with your Grade 8 teacher
- We have ESL science, geography and drama

## **Special Education**

- If you have an Individual Education Plan (IEP)
  - Bur Oak's Special Education department will be in touch with your grade 8 teacher about next steps

 You are strongly encouraged to select "Learning Strategies" as one of your elective courses

## Questions about high school graduation requirements



## Diploma Requirements



### **Credits:**

#### 18 compulsory credits

Students must earn the following compulsory credits to obtain the Ontario Secondary School Diploma:

Plus one credit from each of the following groups:

# 4 credits in English (1 credit per gravle)\* 3 credits in mathematics (1 credit in Grade 11 or 12) 2 credits in science 1 credit in Canadian history 1 credit in Canadian geography 1 credit in the arts 1 credit in health and physical education 1 credit in French as a second language 0.5 credit in career studies 0.5 credit in civics

#### In addition, students must comply

1	12 optional credits*
1	40 hours of community involvement activities
1	the provincial literacy requirement

#### Group 1:

- English or French as a second language\*\*
- · a Native language
- a classical or international language
- social sciences and the humanities
- Canadian and world studies
- guidance and career education
- cooperative education\*\*\*

#### Group 2:

- health and physical education
- the arts
  - business studies
  - French as a second language\*\*
  - cooperative education\*\*\*

#### Group 3:

- science (Grade 11 or 12)
- technological education
  - French as a second language\*\*
  - computer studies
  - cooperative education\*\*\*
- \* A maximum of 3 credits in English as a second language (ESL) or English literacy development (ELD) may be counted towards the 4 compulsory credits in English, but the fourth must be a credit earned for a Grade 12 compulsory English course.
- \*\* In groups 1, 2 and 3, a maximum of 2 credits in French as a second language can count as compulsory credits, one from group 1 and one from either group 2 or group 3.
- \*\*\* A maximum of 2 credits in cooperative education can count as compulsory credits.
- <sup>1</sup> The 12 optional credits may include up to 4 credits earned through approved dual credit courses.

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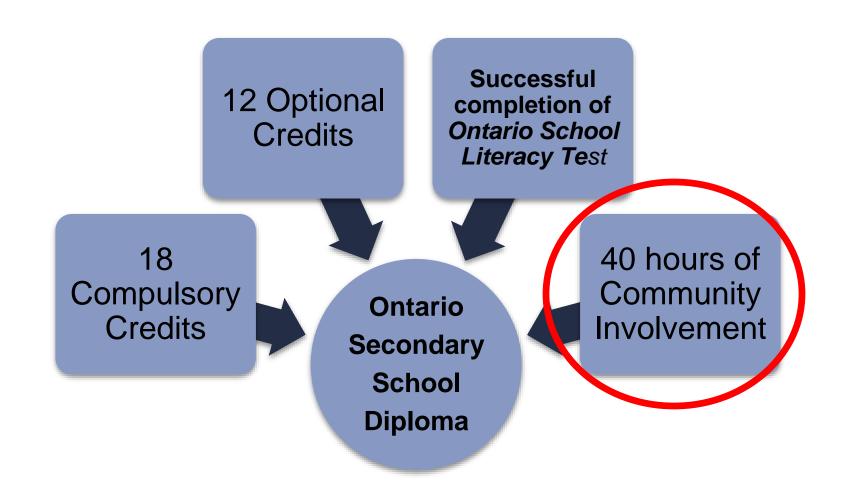


## Literacy Test (OSSLT)

- Write in spring of Grade 10 year
- reading and writing expectations up to and including grade 9
- Accommodations, deferrals, and exemptions may be appropriate for some students
- Practice test for students
- After school prep-course is often offered to assist students



## Diploma Requirements



## Community Involvement

- Need to complete 40 hours to graduate
- Why?
  - Encourages community values and participation
  - Begins your professional network
  - Reinforces the importance of volunteerism
- Students need to keep records of their activities
  - Information and forms available in BOSS guidance office to help you track community involvement

Want to start in the summer? Get your activity approved by BOSS Guidance first!



### **BOSS 49ers Club**

 Recognition for students who complete their 40 hours by the end of their grade
 9 year

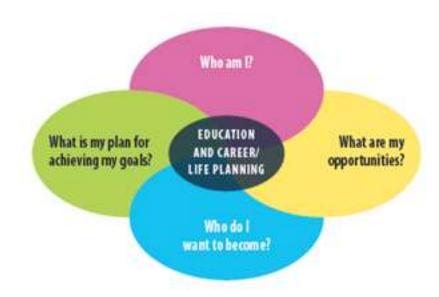
- 49ers receive:
  - a special certificate
  - Top three: recognition in our Awards assembly

## "How do I know what courses to take?"



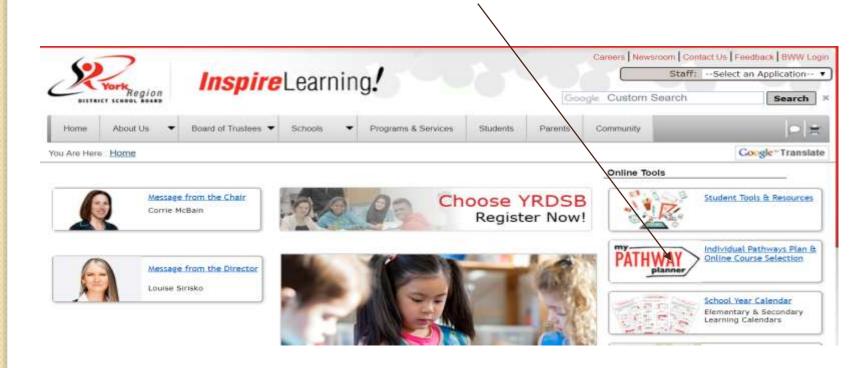
## Individuals Pathways Planning (IPP)

- Your IPP in MBP helps you:
  - Identify your strengths and interests
  - Explore opportunities
  - Set goals for the future
- We continue to develop your IPP in high school



## How to get started

#### Go to York Region Website



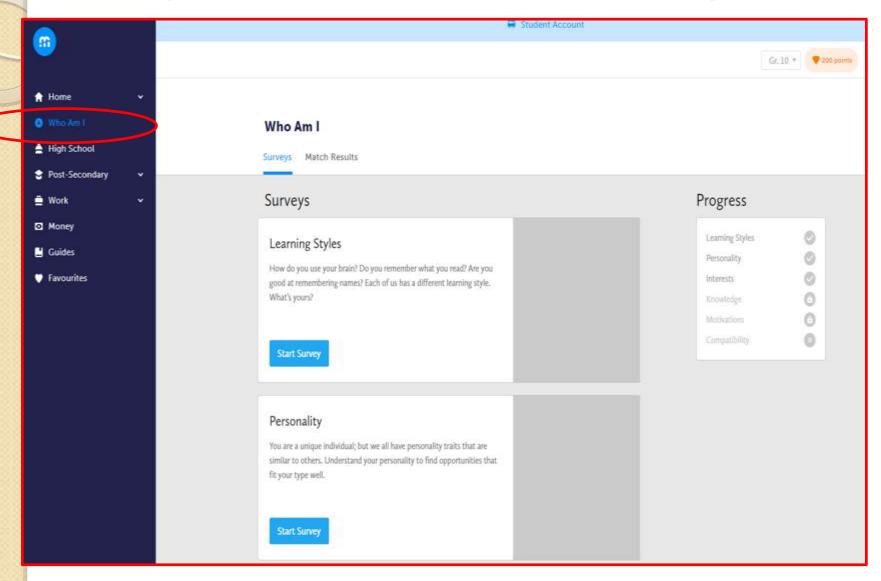
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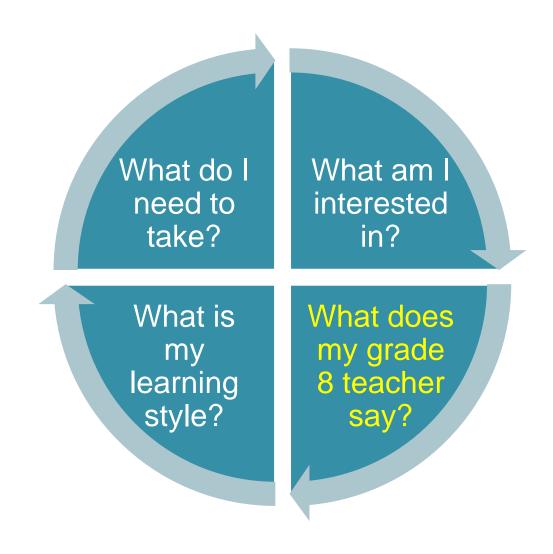




## Step One: Activities to help



## **Step Two: Think About Yourself**



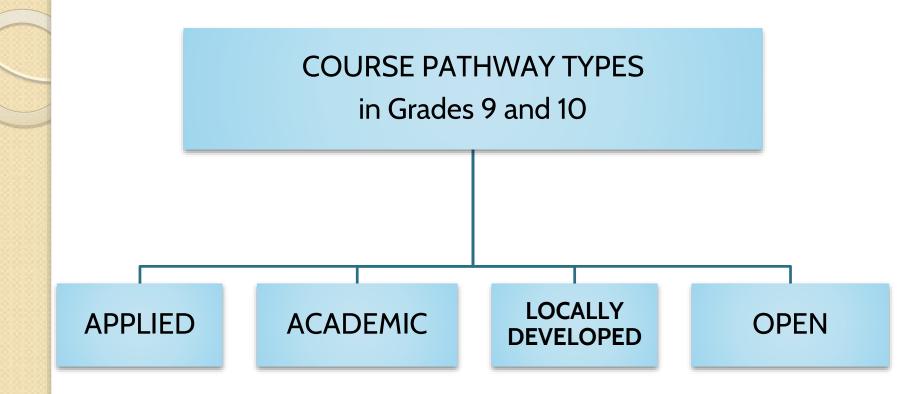
## Step Three: Understand the Course Requirements

#### Compulsory Courses (6)

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Geography
- French
- Physical Education

#### **Elective Courses (2)**

- Drama
- Exploring Technologies
- Cosmetology
- Exploring Family Studies
- Intro. to Business
- Intro. to Business Technology
- Music Vocal, Keyboarding, Instrumental (band)
- Visual Arts
- Non-Traditional Art
- Repertoire



Choose according to what you need in Grade 9, **not** the end of high school.

LISTEN TO YOUR GRADE 8 TEACHER.

## Course Levels for Compulsory Courses (Review)

PATHWAY	ABILITY	APPROACH
APPLIED  Max = 22 students	Working at or above grade level	Step by step approach to learning using theory and practical "real-life" examples.
ACADEMIC  Max = 28 students	Working at or above grade level • achievement of level 3 (70%) or above	Theoretical and independent approach to learning with a focus on critical thinking skills
LOCALLY DEVELOPED Max = 16 students	Working below grade level in Math, English and Science	Guided approach to learning using practical examples and concrete objects.

It is common for students to select a <u>combination</u> of applied and academic courses.

### Comparing Grade 9 Math Courses

#### **Applied**

- Prerequisite skills
  - All required skills will be reviewed

- Homework: 15-25 min/night
- Units: 3 main strands
- Outcome: leads to all destinations

#### Academic

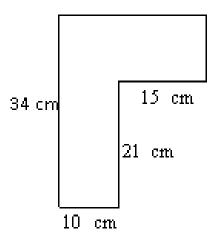
- Prerequisite Skills
  - Integers
  - Rational Numbers
  - Ratio, Proportion, Percent
  - Geometry
- Homework: 30-45 min/night
- Units: 4 main strands
- Outcome: leads to all destinations

## Compare Styles of Learning

#### **Applied**

- Concrete
- Practical

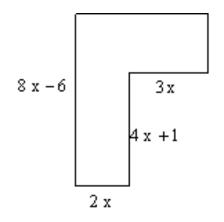
Find the area.



#### Academic

- Concrete
- Practical
- Abstract

Find an expression for the area.



## Science

Strand	Academic	Applied
Biology	Sustainable Ecosystems	Sustainable Ecosystems and Human Activity
Chemistry	Atoms, Elements, and Compounds	Exploring Matter
Physics	The Characteristics of Electricity	Electrical Applications
Earth and Space Science	The Study of the Universe	Space Exploration

## English: Reading the Novel

#### **Academic**

- you are a strong, independent reader
- you understand explicit (obvious) and implicit (hidden) ideas

#### **Applied**

 you understand most ideas in text, but you need some teacher support

#### Essential

you have difficulty
 with reading
 comprehension
 you need intensive
 teacher support to
 understand and keep
 pace

## English: Writing the Essay

	<u>Academic</u>	<u>Applied</u>	<u>Essential</u>
Your Abilities	graninatical and incentancal	<ul> <li>you need some help to organize your ideas and make them clear</li> <li>you need some help to correct common sentence errors</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>you are learning proper sentence structure</li> <li>you are practising the use of capitals, commas, and periods</li> <li>you are in the paragraph writing stage and would have difficulty writing an essay</li> </ul>

## Geography

The practical, applied learner	The theoretical, academic learner
Cultural Fair	Cultural Fair
<ul> <li>In a conversation with your family determine your ethnic and cultural background (including languages)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Research information into your ethnic and cultural background. Be prepared to compare the differences with others of a similar background</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Find out additional information about your religion, traditions and food</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use primary sources (like family) but also high quality sources such as books and journals</li> </ul>
Create a poster to display your work	<ul> <li>Create a poster, blog, or digital presentation to display your work</li> </ul>
Bring a sample of your culture to school for show and tell.	<ul> <li>Be prepared to present your work to your peers and teacher</li> </ul>

#### French

#### **Applied**

- Teacher speaks French and sometimes adds explanations in English
- More basic vocabulary study
- More teacher guided and group activities
- Written and oral assignments involving simple and routine tasks
- May be best for students who are challenged in French, have special learning needs, don't want to continue French, have mostly applied level courses

#### Academic

- Teacher speaks French most of the time with some explanations in English
- Faster paced study of vocabulary and grammar
- More independent and group activities with fewer teacher centered activities
- More reading and listening activities; written and oral assignments involving simple but challenging activities
- May be best for students who like French class, are following academic pathway and may plan to take more French courses

## French (Open Level) FSF1O1

For students who have LESS than 600 hours of French instruction

This might be you if you are:

- 1. new to Canada
- 2. still working on English skills
- 3. from an English speaking country where you didn't learn French

## Physical Education: Active and Healthy Living (Open)

TYPES	COURSE CODE
FEMALE	PPL108
MALE	PPL109

Be sure to select the correct gym course!

## Understand your electives

#### **Compulsory Courses**

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Geography
- French
- Physical Education

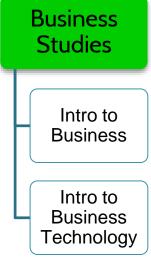
ALSO...pick two <u>alternatives</u> you would be happy to take!

#### **Elective Courses—TWO!**

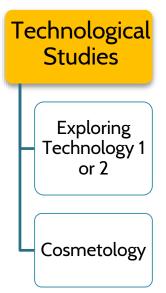
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- Cosmetology
- Exploring Family Studies
- Intro to Business
- Intro to Business Technology
- Music Vocal, Keyboarding, Piano, or Instrumental (band)
- Repertoire
- Visual Arts
- Non-Traditional Art

#### **ELECTIVE COURSES FOR GRADE 9**

**Arts** Drama Music (variety of courses) Visual Non **Traditional** Art



Learning Strategies\*\* Family Studies (Social Sciences)



Descriptions in your packages!

\*\*Only for students with an IEP

#### **ARTS -- Drama**



#### Drama (ADA101 or ADA20L)

Students will construct, discuss, perform, and analyse drama, and then reflect on the experiences to develop an understanding of themselves, the art form, and the world around them

Drama is also offered in grade 10.

Dance Fusion is offered in Grade 10.



#### **ARTS--Music**



- Instrumental (Band)\*
- Vocal
- Keyboarding\*
- Piano Accompaniment (grade 8 piano)

\*offered at both experienced and beginner

#### **ARTS--Repertoire**

Students can take additional credit music credit

**AMR101 or AMR102** 

Repertoire is a weekly rehearsal after school once a week for both semester 1 and 2. A credit is granted for this time.

 Repertoire can be added as a 9<sup>th</sup> course; add AFTER you add all your other courses (extra box will open up)

Band, Keyboarding and Vocal courses continue in grade 10.

#### **ARTS -- Visual Arts**



#### Visual Arts (AVI101)

- learn the basics: elements of design, principles of composition, various expressive qualities of different materials, techniques, and styles
- work with mixed media, printmaking, clay, and drawing.
  some art history is studied as a focus for some projects. (prehistoric, ancient Egypt, Greece and Rome)

Visual Art continues in grade 10

#### **Non Traditional Art (AWT101)**

- engage in the creative process as they explore the digital disciplines of photography, digital imaging, and mixed media
- analyze the unique characteristics of Media Arts
- create personal monograms, logos in graphic design, object "selfie", and graffiti art.

Media Arts is offered in grade 10

#### **BUSINESS**

# Introduction to Business Technology (BTT1O1)

 develop word processing, spreadsheet, database, desktop publishing, presentation software, and website design skills

#### **Introduction to Business (BBI101)**

 learn about functions of business such as accounting, marketing, information technology, human resources and production

#### Same courses are offered in Grade 10

• Plan out to create more elective choices



#### **SOCIAL SCIENCES--Family Studies**

# Exploring Family Studies: World of Adolescents (HIF1O1)

- cook simple foods, design cool bedrooms, sew their very own pajama pants, and become caring friends/parents
- learn skills to become responsible, well-rounded individuals

Grade 10 course is Food and Nutrition.





#### **TECHNOLOGICAL STUDIES**

- opportunities to design and create products
- work with the various tools, equipment, and software frequently used in industry.

#### Package One TIJ101

Communication Technology
Technological Design

#### Package Two Tij102

Construction Technology

Transportation Technology

Select between two options. You may not take both.

Each package is made up of two imodules. One credit.

#### **TECHNOLOGY-- Cosmetology**

- use a variety of tools and products used in the beauty industry
- participate in the specialized room using "real equipment"
- learn to do manicures and polish applications, braiding, updo's
- understand hair treatments, skin care routines and use of hot tools (ie: curling iron and flat iron)
- learn about pathways leading to various careers in the field of Hairstyling and Aesthetics (hair and skin care)

Offered to both grade 9 and 10 students!

# Registration Package

What do I hand in:?
What if I'm considering a transfer?



# Want to go to another York Region school?

#### **Transfer**

- Registration sheet goes to "home school"
- Transfer request form needs to be handed in to "home school"
- Family needs to hand the package BEFORE Feb 1st

#### Specialized Program

- Bill Crothers, Milliken IB, Arts at Unionville, Markville Gifted
- they will inform you about the decision
- registration sheet to Bur Oak if you don't know by due date
- course selection re-done at new school if you have already submitted Bur Oak

#### Course Selection:



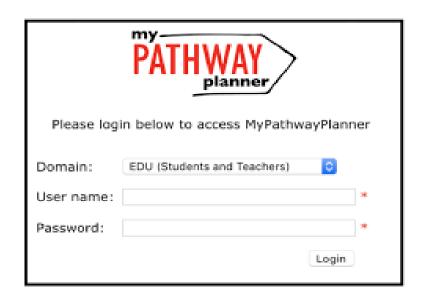
#### Reminder:

- All grade 9 students take 8 courses
- Select:
  - 6 compulsory
  - 2 electives
  - 2 alternatives
- ELLs need to select 2 English credits
- Students with IEP may want Learning Strats.
- If you choose vocal or instrumental music, you need to decide about AMR (9<sup>th</sup> credit)

## Go to Board Website: www.yrdsb.ca

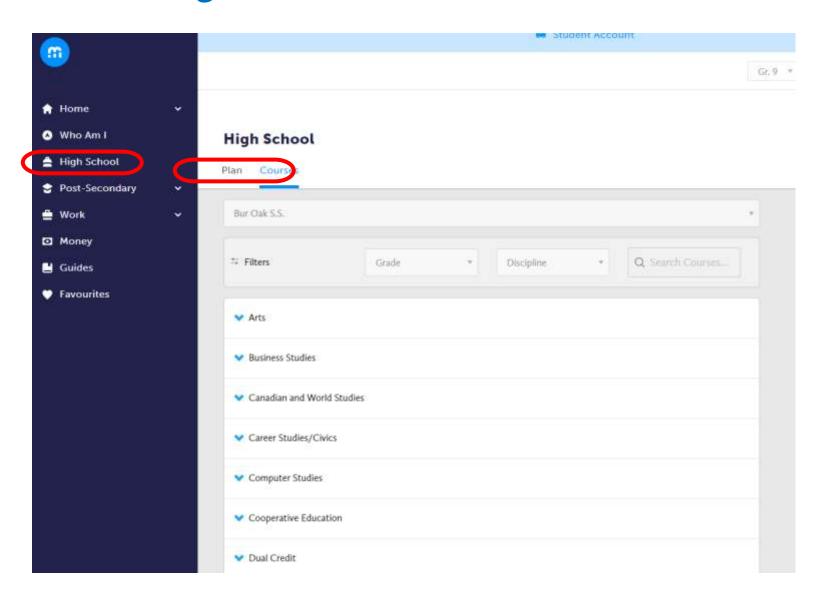


# Log in with your information

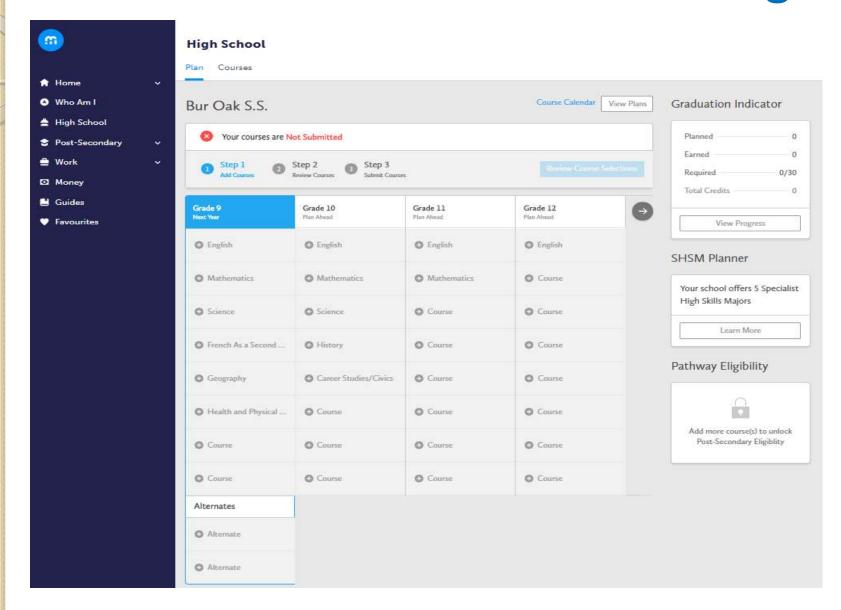


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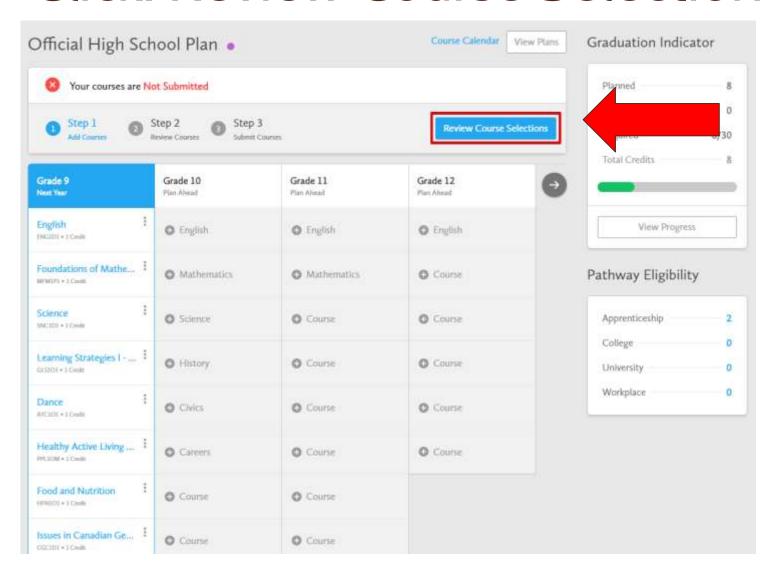
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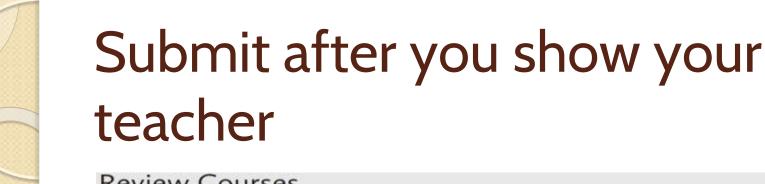


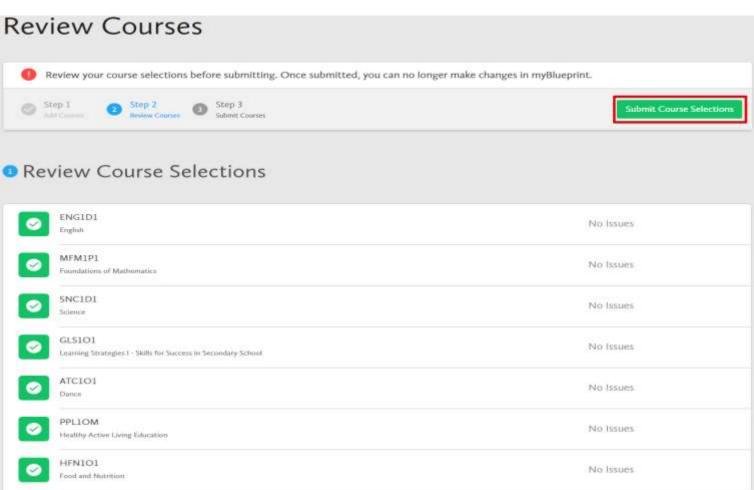
# Sample Course Selection

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#### Click: Review Course Selection





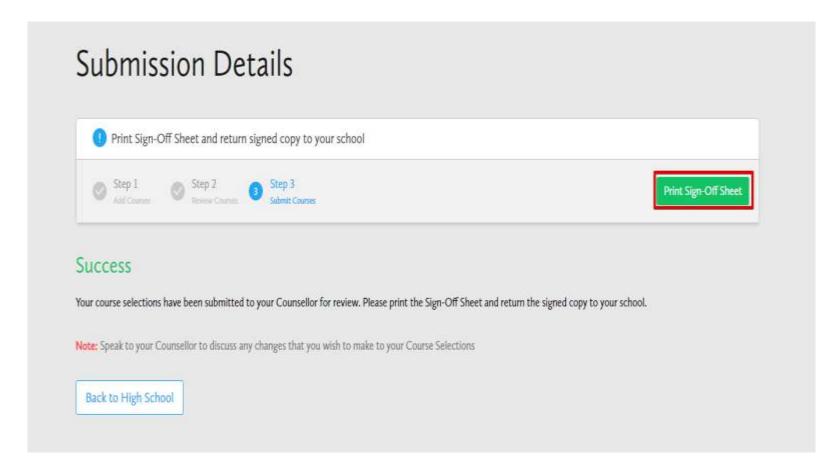


#### This selection is "locked in"

Changes can only be made by BOSS now







# Get parent/guardian to sign

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EMAIL	GRADE	

#### Courses Selected (8)

CODE	COURSE	TYPE	CREDIT	REQUIREMENT	ISSUES
ENG2D1	English	D	1	Eng	
MFM2P1	Foundations of Mathematics	Р	1	Math	
SNC2D1	Science	D	1	Sci	
CHC2P1	Canadian History in the 20th century	P	1	His	
PPL2OM	Healthy Active Living Education	0	1	Grp2	
HIF2O1	Exploring Family Studies	0	1	Grp1	
CHV2O1	Civics and Citizenship	0	0.5	Civ	
GLC2O1	Career Studies	0	0.5	Car	
ICS201	Introduction to Computer Studies	0	1	Elec.	

#### Alternate Courses Selected (2)

TCJ201	Construction Technology	0	1	
ADA2O1	Drama	0	1	

#### **Ontario Secondary School Diploma Status**

	ENG	FRE	MATH	SCI	ART	PE	CIV	CAR	HIS	GEO	GRP1	GRP2	GRP3	COMP.	ELEC.	TOTAL
EARNED	0/4	0/1	0/3	0/2	0/1	0/1	0/.5	0/.5	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/18	0/12	0/30
ON TRACK*	2/4	1/1	2/3	2/2	0/1	1/1	.5/.5	.5/.5	1/1	1/1	1/1	1/1	1/1	14/18	2/12	16/30

<sup>\*</sup> On Track includes earned, current and next year courses. Students must also complete 40 hours of Community Involvement and the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test to graduate. Please see your Counsellor for your current status regarding these requirements.

Student Signature:	<del></del>	Parent/Guardian Signature:	:#####################################		
		Date:			

# **Choose Carefully**

- The number and type of classes are based on your course selections
  - Classes are based on the maximum number of students who select a course
- Little flexibility to change your courses once the timetable is made
  - Avoid disappointment talk with your Gr. 8 teacher(s); reflect on your interests and academic skills to make good choices

# **Next Steps**

- Fill out the Registration Form
- Complete Course Selection Online
- Print out the completed form
- Hand in the course selection printout and registration form to your teacher by
   \_\_\_\_\_(your teacher will tell you)
- Ambassador visits in the spring
- Registration in last week of August;
   Orientation in September

# Questions?

