# Welcome to Keswick High School



Introduction to Keswick High School and The Online Course

Selection Process

~ For Grade 8 Students ~



## **Outline of Presentation**

- Information about Keswick High School (KHS)
- Student Timetables
- Diploma Requirements
- Post-Secondary & Course Pathways
- Course Selection Timelines
- Course Selection Preparation
- Using "My Pathway Planner"
- Question and Answer opportunity



## **KHS General Information**

### **Start Time**

- ► Early start school (Classes begin the last week of August)
- 9:05 3:05 p.m.

### School Year Structure

- Semestered
- 4 classes each semester 75 minutes each
- 40 minute lunch two periods
- Final exams January and June

### School Population

- > 900 students
- 200 incoming grade 9s



# Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) Requirements

### **18 Compulsory Credits**

1 credit is earned when you pass a 1 period class

4 English
3 Math
2 Science
Canadian Geog.
Canadian History
French
Career/Civics
Arts
Phys Ed

Groups 1, 2, 3

### 12 Optional Credits

1 credit is earned when you pass a 1 period class

### Successful Completion of Literacy Test

Test is based on reading and writing skills and is written in grade 10

### 40 Hours of Community Involvement

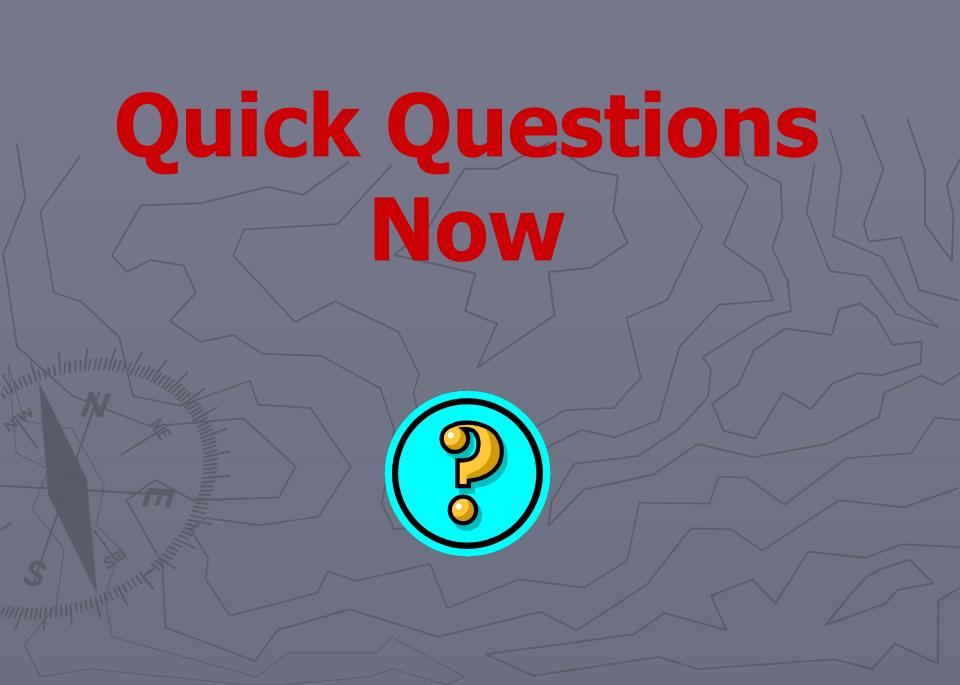
Can be started in the summer after grade 8 graduation

Must be pre-approved at KHS BEFORE you start



# **Course Selection Process**and Timelines

- Now Discuss course selections with your parents/guardians and your grade 8 teacher and do any additional research that may be appropriate
- Friday, February 4 if applicable, submit electronic transfer form
  - **Wednesday, February 16** Students can begin locking in course selections, in MyPathway Planner at 9:00 am
  - Friday, February 25 Course Selection due in MyPathway Planner by 4:00 pm
- No paper copy is required, parent approval through email via Pathway Planner





link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OOC-YLp33TU

# **Pathway Planning**

COURSE PATHWAY OPTIONS
Grades 9 & 10

De-streamed or Academic

Open

Locally Developed

It is important to remember...

Course and Post-Secondary Pathways are changeable and flexible

## **Course Pathways**

De-streamed (W) or Academic (D) or Open (O)

> Class Max 25 - 29

English (D)

Math (W)

Science (W)

Geography (D)

French (D or O)

Locally Developed (L)

- Credit-bearing
- Below grade level
   i.e. Modified
   Expectations

Class Max

16

English (L)

Math (L)

Science (L)

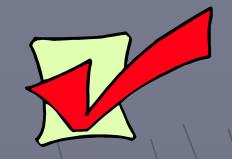
Students may choose all of the same course pathways or a combination.

# Making the Choice...

- Select courses after speaking with grade 8 teachers and high school guidance counsellors
- Students should do an honest self-assessment, matching their ability with their interests and aptitudes

Remember that initial decisions made in grade 8 are not necessarily final decisions. There are many pathways to the destination of your dreams!

# **Key Components** of Course Selection



In grade 9, students are required to take the following 6 courses:

- 1. English Academic or Locally Developed
- 2. Mathematics De-streamed or Locally Developed
- 3. Science De-streamed or Locally Developed
- 4. Geography Academic
- 5. Health and Physical Education Open
- 6. French Academic or Open

Plus 2 elective courses

# French as an Official Language

- Making
  Real-World
  Connections

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  Connections

  Lifelong
  Language
  Learning

  Emphasis on
  Creative Thinking
  Skills

  Authentic Oral
  Communication:
  Reception,
  Production, and
  Interaction

  Listening,
  Speaking, Reading,
  and Writing:
  Interconnected
  but Distinct

  Development
  of Language
  Learning
  Strategies
- French is one of Canada's official languages
- French is recognized and valued as an integral component of Ontario's education system
- All students take French. There is a French course for students who have had little, or no French experience FSF 101.

### **Elective Course Selection**

All electives are Open type courses. Choose from:



Individual and family

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**UP Math** 

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Semester 1, Math review course to support De-streamed Math in semester 2

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trial classes in Auto, Personal Services,

Tech. and

Rep

**Music Repertoire** 

Repertoire - Concert Band After School – for credit





**Instrumental Music - Beginners** No prior Experience required

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# Elective Course: Unlimited Potential (UP) Math

Program being offered in the York Region District School Board

- Learning Strategies course presented through a math lens in <u>first semester</u> (GLS105/GLE105)
- Students would take grade 9 De-streamed math in second semester (MTH1W5)

This course is designed for students who would like to review concepts, build confidence and achieve success prior to taking grade 9 math

\*\*Must be recommended by SERT or grade 8 teacher for consideration into this program



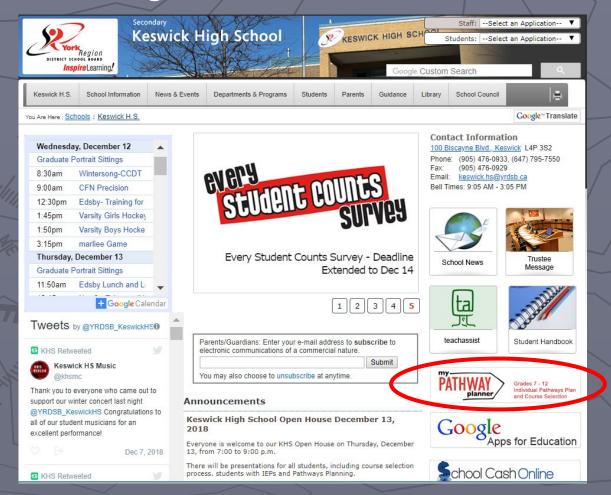
Link: http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/keswick.hs/pages/default.aspx



### **Online Course Selection**

Go to the Keswick High School Website and select "My Pathway Planner"

Google "Keswick High School"or www.yrdsb.ca/schools/keswick.hs



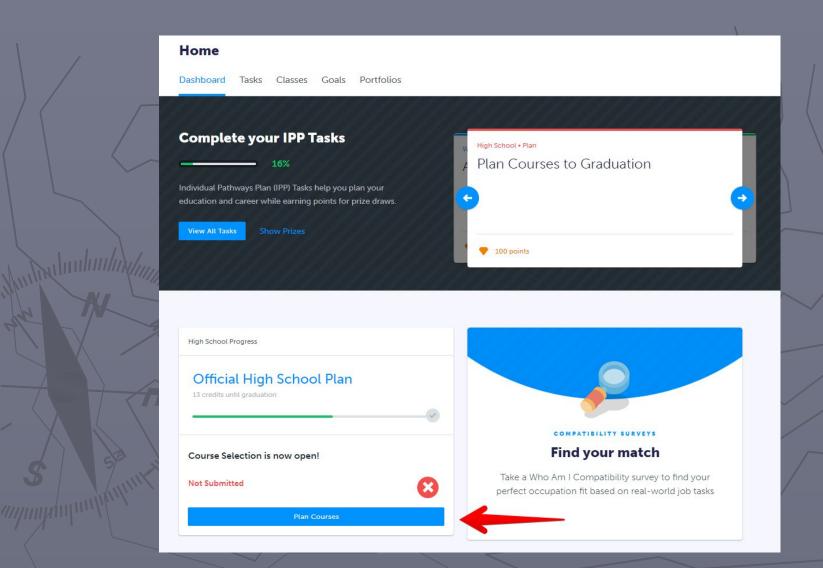
Each York Region student has been assigned their **own portfolio account** for career planning and course

selection

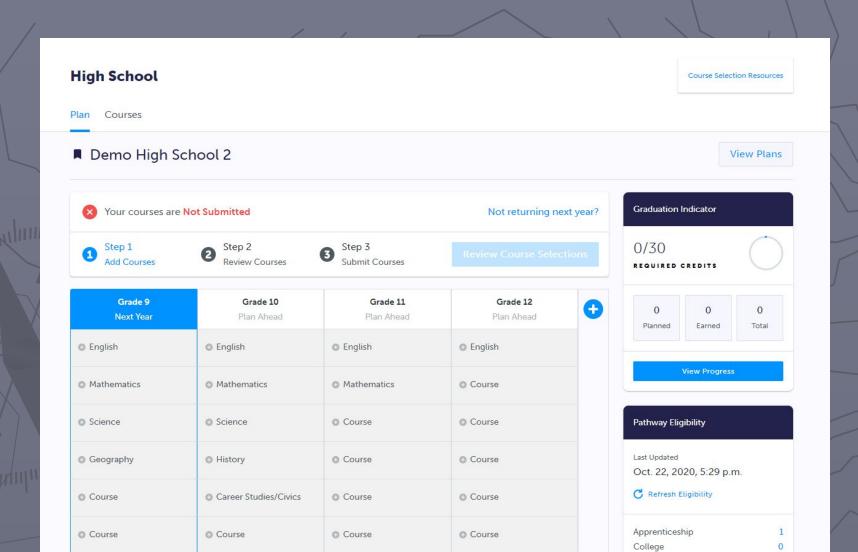
Students must enter the same
Username and Password that they would use to log into the school computers



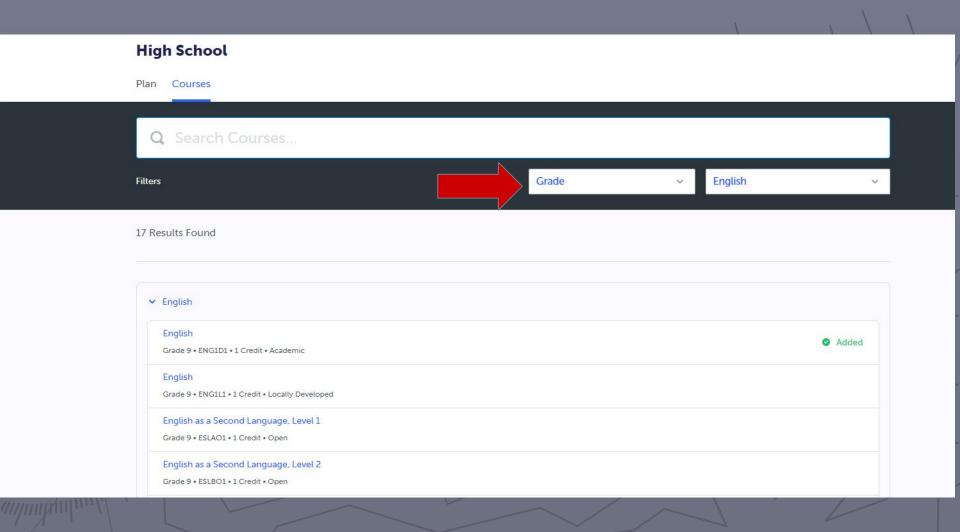
# From the Dashboard, click on Official High School Plan



# Add courses to your High School Plan. Click on + Course to select



# Use the drop down menu to search courses by Grade and Subject Area



Compulsory courses are identified by name

 Your 2 "Elective" courses will be chosen from the KHS course list

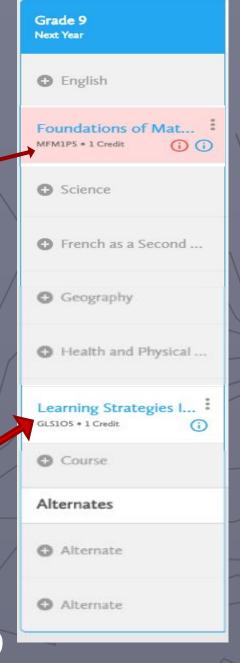
• Alternate courses are chosen from the same list

Students must choose **two** 

### Grade 9 Next Year English Mathematics Science French as a Second ... Geography Health and Physical ... Course Course. Alternates Alternate Alternate

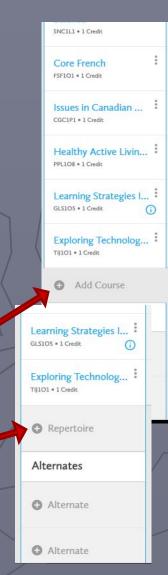
## Selecting "UP" Math

- Once recommended for this program by your teacher or SERT, choose
   MTH1W5 in the Math box
- The box will turn pink and both a red and blue "info" symbol appear.
  - Blue is information
  - Red means there is a problem
  - Also choose Learning Strategies
    - GLS105 (student without an IEP)
      OR
    - GLE105 (student with an IEP)
    - Then the pink will fade away
    - You may choose one "GL" course in grade 9



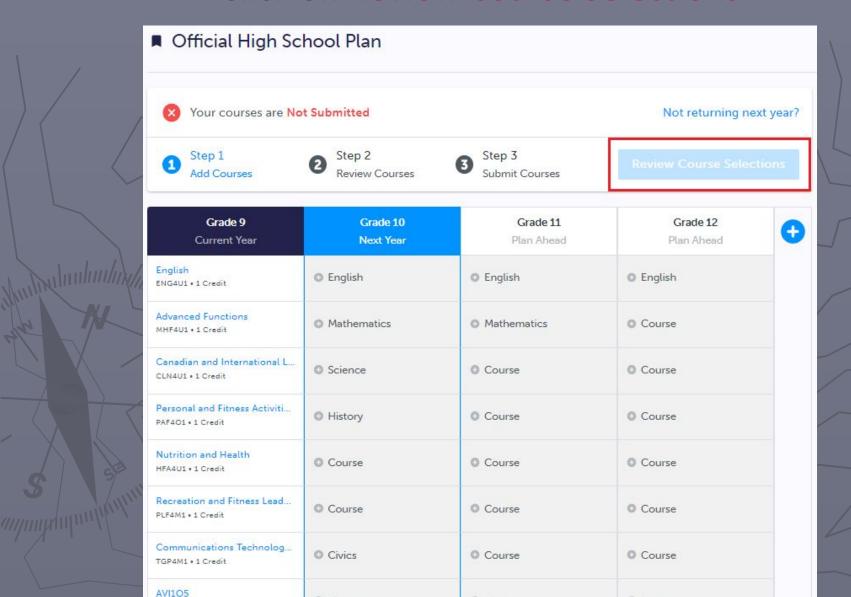
## Music Repertoire

- If you take <u>Instrumental</u> Music, it is recommended that you take Music <u>Repertoire</u>.
- You may also choose
- to take Music Repertoire on its own for **extra** credit.
  - Course takes place 2 days per week AFTER school and runs all year long course is selected in the 9th box.
- A new box appears after you choose 8 courses.
- Click here to choose repertoire
- Click "+" and choose AMR101





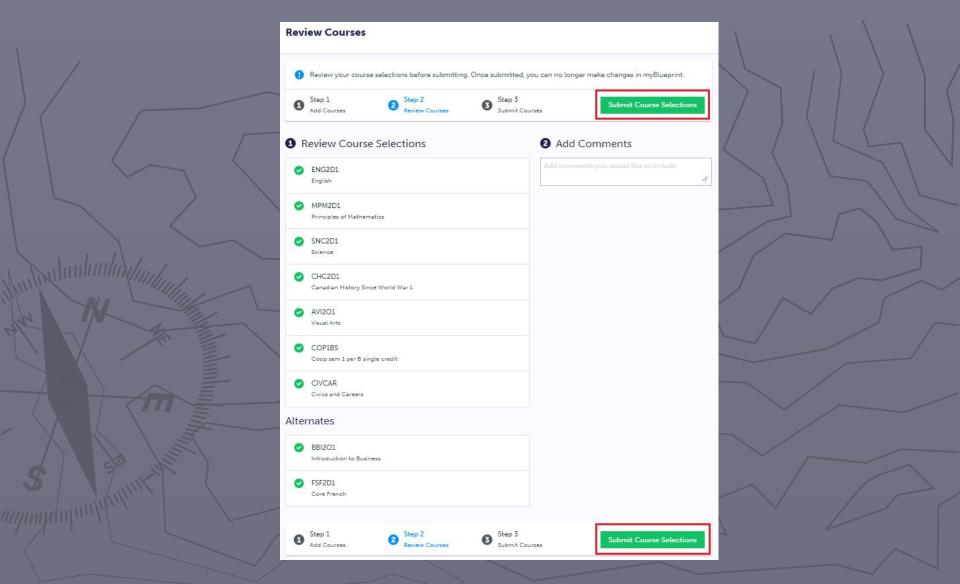
### **Click on Review Course Selections**





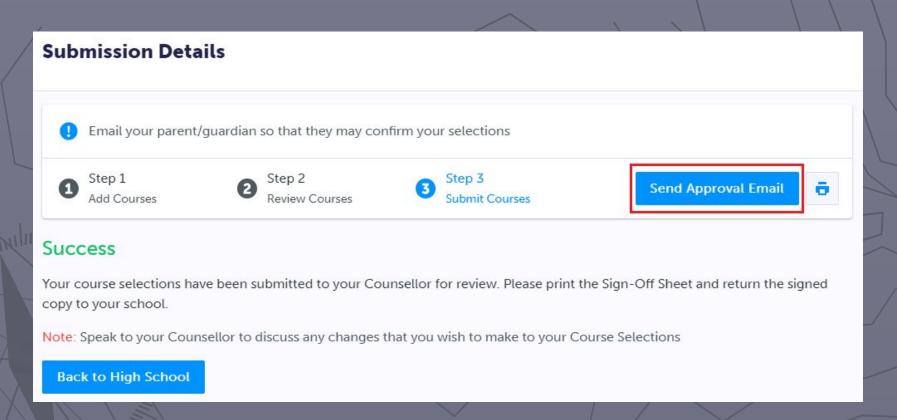


### **Click Submit Course Selections**

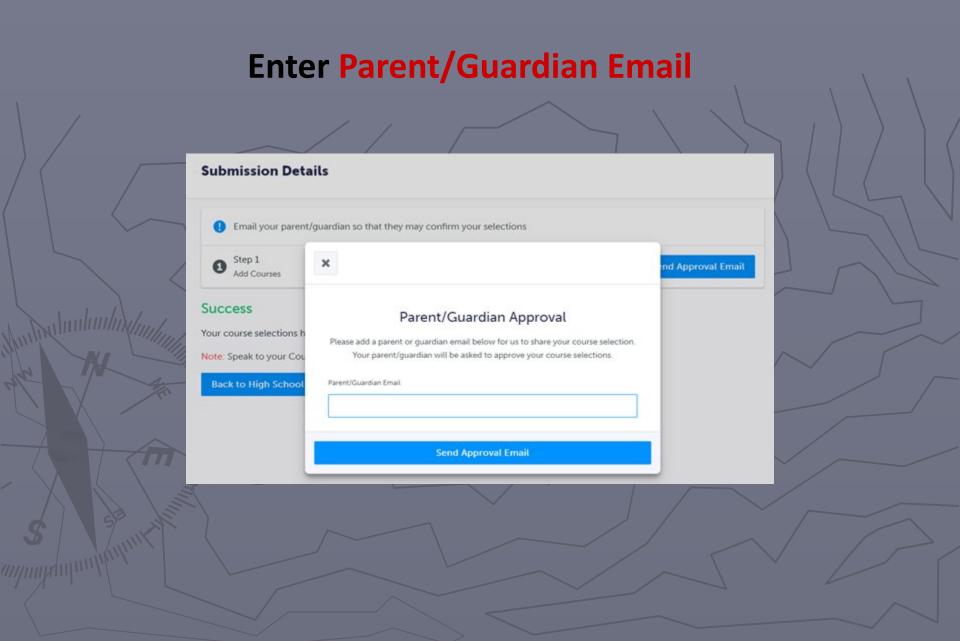




### **Click Send Approval Email**









### Parent/Guardian will Approve or Reject

THIS IS AN AUTOMATED MESSAGE. PLEASE DO NOT REPLY!



### Course Selections approval request

Hi,

First102 Last102 has requested you approve their Course Selections.

To approve these choices, you must review the information below and click 'Approve Course Selections'.

Name: First102 Last102 School: Demo High School 2

#### Courses Submitted:

- · English (ENG4C1)
- · Chemistry (SCH4CC)
- Interdisciplinary Studies (IDC4U1)
- Visual Arts (AVI2O1)
- Introduction to Business (BBI2O1)

#### Alternate Courses Submitted:

· Guitar Music (AMG2O1)

**Approve Course Selections** 



Don't approve of these Course Selections? Reject Request. If you reject this request, please follow up with your school's guidance counsellor about next steps.



### Your choice to print your Sign-Off Sheet



#### **Course Selection Sign Off Sheet**

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STUDENT LAST14, FIRST14 (18+)	OEN 00001014	SCHOOL Demo High School 1	
DEMOEMAIL55@DEMO.COM	GRADE 9		

#### 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	
ADA201	Drama	0	1	

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

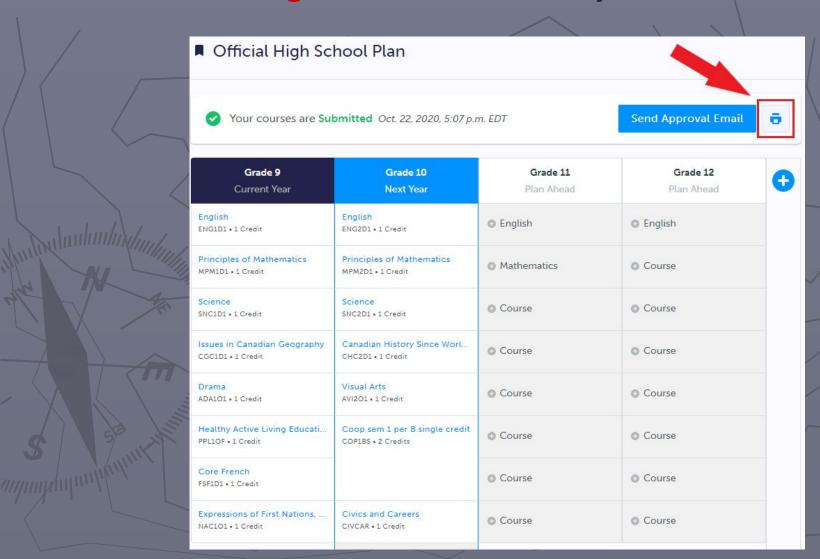
	ENG	FRE	MATH	SCI	ART	PE	CIV	CAR	HIS	GEO	GRP1	GRP2	GRP3	COMP.	ELEC.	TOTAL
EARNED	0/4	0/1	0/3	0/2	0/1	0/1	0/.5	0/.5	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/18	0/12	0/30
ON TRACK*	2/4	1/1	2/3	2/2	0/1	1/1	.5/.5	.5/.5	1/1	1/1	1/1	1/1	1/1	14/18	2/12	16/30

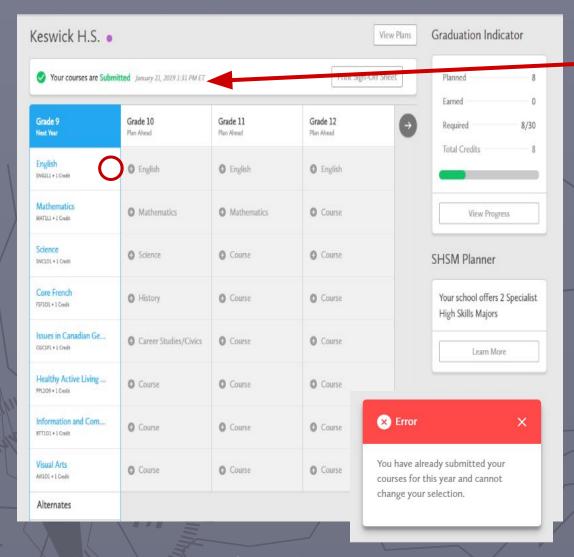
<sup>\*</sup> On Track includes earned, current and next year courses. Students must also complete 40 hours of Community Involvement and the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test to graduate. Please see your Counsellor for your current status regarding these requirements.

Student Signature:	Parent/Guardian Signature:	

Date:

You can print/reprint this form at any time from the High School section of your account





The bar across the top indicates the date of submission

Any attempt to make changes will result in this warning

Students can plan courses through to grade 12

Only courses for the year highlighted in blue are eligible for submission

