

RECOMMENDED ACADEMIC COURSE GUIDELINES FOR GRADE 10 STUDENTS

CORE COURSE LEVELS

Each of the core courses is offered at different levels. Students are placed in their Grade 10 core courses based on the recommendations of Grade 9 teachers. The Grade 9 teacher will consider the following points in making this recommendation:

- Academic Performance in the Grade 9 core course - particularly performance on tests and exams
- Ability
- Personal Characteristics

Student Characteristics	Recommended Course Selections
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent academic achievement • Very strong performance on tests • Strong interest in the subject • Highly motivated • Strong work ethic • Ability to handle an additional work load • Typically mark above 85% in Gr 9 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English 10 Pre-AP • Social Studies 10 Pre-AP • Mathematics 10C Pre-AP • Science 10 Pre-AP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strong past performance • Strong reading & writing skills • Responds well to high standards • Maintains a regular homework schedule • Capable of working independently • Strong problem solvers • Good organizational skills • Can interpret and analyze more complex material • Typically mark above 80% in Gr 9 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English 10 - 1 • Studies 10 - 1 • Mathematics 10C • Science 10 • French Social Studies 10-1 • French Mathematics 10C • French Language Arts 10-1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Satisfactory performance • Needs to strengthen skill in reading, writing, math and/or organization • More comfortable with concrete concepts and examples • Works more slowly with new concepts • Prefers to complete work in class • Prefers step-by- step structure and directions • Typically mark between 50 and 70% in Gr 9 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English 10-2 • Social Studies 10 -2 • Mathematics 10-3 • Mathematics 15-5 • Science 14
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has experienced significant difficulty in subject area • Prefers a basic curriculum directed towards real life experiences • Needs to strengthen basic math skills • Often needs to strengthen reading comprehension, vocabulary and speed • Often needs to develop significantly stronger organizational and writing skills • Needs extensive structure and direction in the classroom • Referral and parent consent required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English 10-4 – Knowledge & Employability • Social Studies 10-4 – Knowledge & Employability • Mathematics 10-4 – Knowledge & Employability • Science 10-4 – Knowledge & Employability