Future Grade 10's - Course selection:

Frequently Asked Questions

What courses do I have to take? Compulsory courses commonly taken in Grade 10 are English, Math, Science, History, Civics and Careers.

I would like to take Construction, but didn't take Tech in Grade 9. Can I still take it? Yes! Most Grade 10 electives do not require a prerequisite. For instance, you don't have to have taken Grade 9 Art to take it in Grade 10. Please see the Departmental flow charts in the Course Calendar for a more complete picture.

I would like to switch from an applied course to an academic one. Is this possible? Yes, in most cases. Between grade 9 and 10 you can make that switch, but you should discuss it with your grade 9 teacher of that subject. The only exception is with Math, for which you would have to take a Transfer Course in summer school. When in doubt, ask your teacher or a guidance counsellor.

Why do I have to choose alternate courses? We do our best to get everyone the courses they want. Sometimes this is just not possible. Therefore, we need to know what other courses you would like to take.

I'm not sure which courses are right for me! I don't know what I am doing with my life yet! Ah yes, you are not alone in this! A good place to start is on myBlueprint.ca, there is lots of information about careers and post-secondary programs (that's school after high school). Also, you can talk to your parents, teachers, or a guidance counselor.

So, how do I choose my courses on myBlueprint? If you missed the course selection practice in November, there is a great how-to video on the **myBlueprint.ca/support**, click on Resources. You can submit your final plan on a computer or on any digital device, including your cell phone, with your parents. If you require additional help, please make an appointment with Guidance.

I made a High School Plan on MyBlueprint a few months ago, is that all I need to do? No. One cool feature of MyBlueprint is that you can make <u>several</u> 'plans' dependent on what you want to do as your next step after high school. Therefore, you have to select courses on your 'Official High School Plan' and submit it to actually request the courses you want for next year.

So, once I submit my choices I am done, right? Next year is all good to go? Unfortunately, it's not that simple. Sometimes courses are cancelled due to lack of interest or two courses you have requested run at the same time (that is where the alternates you provide are helpful). Therefore, please consider these selections as *course requests*, not a timetable. You also need to **print and return** a signed copy of your course selection sign-off sheet to the Guidance Department.

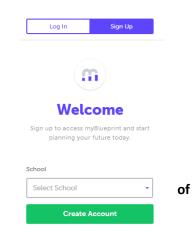
The following step-by-step guide will help you complete online course selection using the myBlueprint website.

☐ EXISTING USER?

- 1. Visit https://myblueprint.ca/bluewater
- 2. Click Log In
- 3. Enter your email and password, click Login

☐ NEW USER?

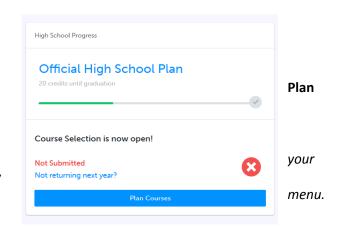
- 1. Visit https://myblueprint.ca/bluewater
- 2. Select your school from the drop down list and click Create Account
- 3. Select Students and click Continue
- 4. Select your grade, click **Continue**
- 5. Enter your Provincial Education Number (i.e., OEN, ASN, MET) and Date Birth, click Continue
- 6. Fill out the sign up form and click Create Account



☐ COURSE SELECTION

From your **Dashboard**, click on the **Plan Courses** button that appears in the <u>High School Progress</u> box. The button will say **Courses** if course submission has not yet been enabled at your school.

HINT: Clicking on **View or Plan Courses** will take you to <u>High School Planner</u> - you can also access this by simply clicking on **High School** from the left hand navigation



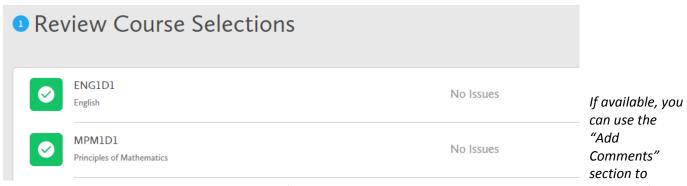
1) ADD COURSES FOR NEXT YEAR

- In High School Planner, click + [Course].
- In the Course Selection and Details screen, explore the available courses.
- Click Add Course when you find the course you want.

HINT: The **Graduation Indicator** will help you keep track of your progress towards graduation. Click **View Progress** for a list of specific graduation requirements.



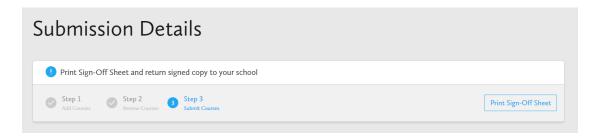
2) REVIEW COURSES – When you are ready to submit your course selections, click the blue Review Course Selections button and give your course selection one final look over.



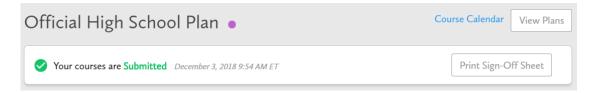
explain any issues to your guidance counsellor (i.e. taking the prerequisite in night school, or summer school)

3) SUBMIT COURSES – Once you've carefully reviewed the **Details** page to ensure that you are meeting the requirements for the courses you have selected and that the courses appear are correct, click on **Submit Course Selections**. Please note that will not be able to modify your course selections once submitted (unless guidance counsellor re-allows submission)!

4) PRINT SIGN –OFF SHEET – After submitting your course selections, click on the **Print Sign-Off Sheet** button at the top right and return a signed copy to your counsellor or teacher



NOTE: You can also access the sign-off sheet from the **High School** planner – if it doesn't show after you've click the **Print Sign-Off Sheet** button, check the pop-up blocker settings for your web browser.



YOU'RE DONE! Please print and return a signed copy of your Course Selection Sign-Off Sheet to the Guidance Office.