



# DAVID THOMPSON SECONDARY SCHOOL INVERMERE, B. C.



## JUNIOR COURSE SELECTION BOOKLET 2017-2018

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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.

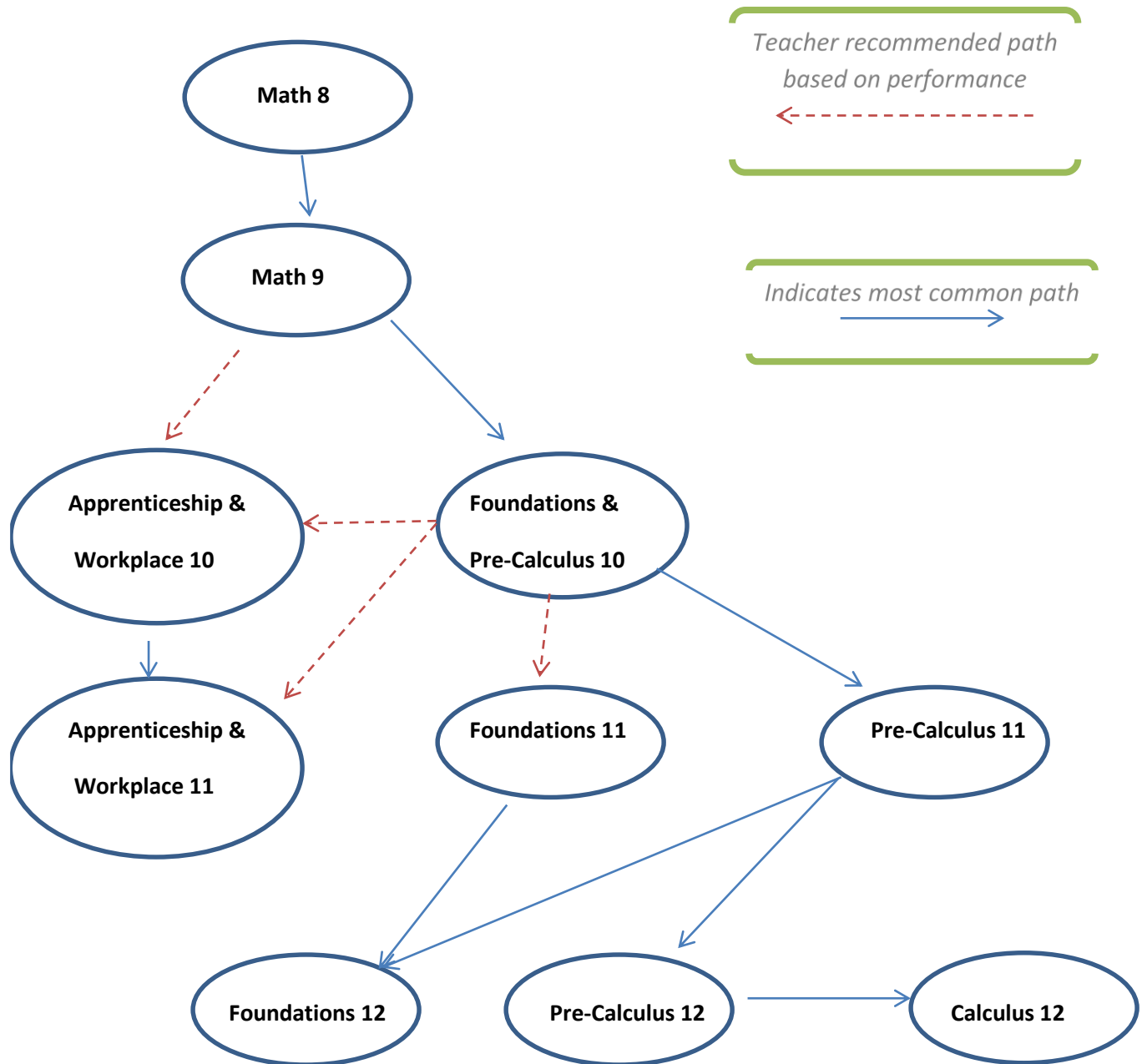
GRADE 8		GRADE 9	
<b>Foundation Studies:</b>			<b>Foundation Studies:</b>
Career Ed. 8			Career Ed 9
English 8			English 9
French 8			Physical & Health Education 9
Mathematics 8			Mathematics 9
Physical & Health Education 8			Science 9
Science 8			Social Studies 9
Social Studies 8			
<b>Sub Total</b>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

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.



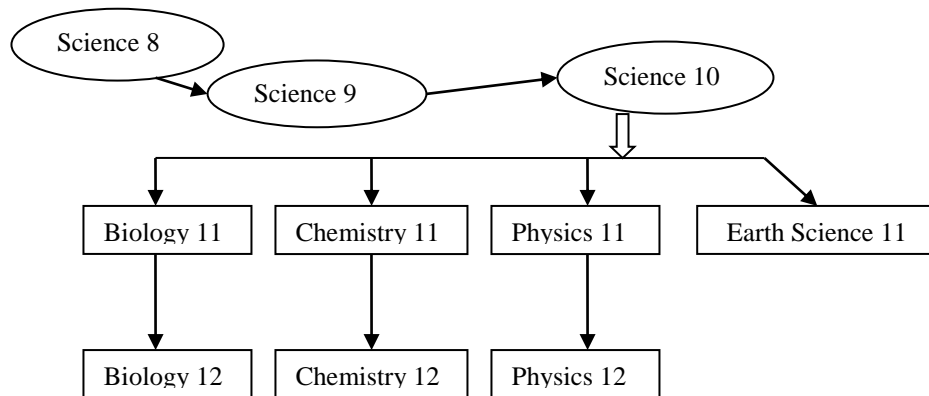
# MATHEMATICS COURSE PATHS

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. Earth Science is accepted as credit towards graduation but MAY NOT be recognized as a Science requirement by postsecondary institutions.



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## Junior Course Selection

### Grades 8 & 9

#### Required Courses

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Prerequisite</u>	<u>Course Description</u>
English 8	EN 8		Introduction to Language Arts and Literature at the secondary level.
English 9	EN 9	EN 8	Builds on the basic 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.
Career Ed 8	CE 8		Introduction of Healthy Living, Healthy Relationships, Safety & Injury Prevention, Substance Misuse Prevention & Student Profile Goals.
Career Ed 9	CE 9	CE 8	Builds on Healthy Living, Healthy Relationships, Safety & Injury Prevention, Substance Misuse Prevention Goals & Student Profile Goals.
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		Expand upon the student's attitude for an active lifestyle.
Physical & Health Education 9	PHE 9	PHE 8	Expand upon the student's attitude for an active lifestyle.
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		Middle Ages, Renaissance, Kingdoms and Dynasties, Map Skills, and First Nations
Social Studies 9	SS 9	SS 8	Canadian Geography, Canadian History, and Democracy

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Prerequisite</u>	<u>Course Description</u>
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### 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, watercolour, 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)

Media Arts	ADMA 9		Introductory course in the use of computer graphics and 3D animation.
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.