# AJAX HIGH SCHOOL GENERAL INFORMATION FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR CURRENT GRADE 10 STUDENTS 

Deadline for submission of courses via myBlueprint - March 6, 2024

Follow the instructions provided in the "AJAX H.S. IPP and COURSE SELECTION PROCESS FOR GRADE 10 STUDENTS" handout to choose your courses.

Choose courses wisely - consult your parent/guardian(s) and teachers for advice on courses and course levels. If you have any questions please see us in the Guidance office.

It is important to research the courses required for post-secondary destinations you are considering:

College - www.ontariocolleges.ca
University - www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca
Apprenticeship- www.ontario.ca/page/skilled-trades
SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN ON MYBLUEPRINT! Students are responsible for registering for summer school through the "Continuing Education" section. We highly recommend registering sooner rather than later for failed compulsory courses OR new courses.

What do you do if you failed a compulsory course in Semester 1 that is a prerequisite for a course that you have to take next year?
If you plan on recovering this credit in summer school DO NOT add this course as a course selection in your plan. You will include this information in the "ADD COMMENT" box when you "REVIEW YOUR COURSES" in myBlueprint. In your comment, please indicate that you are going to do summer school and include the specific course that you plan to take. This course will not be in your schedule for next year. If you do not plan on doing this course in summer school, you must select this compulsory course as one of your course selections for next year. If you are planning to take credit recovery courses(s) in summer school, please register now through the 'Continuing Education' tab in your MP account so that you are assured of a spot.

What do you do if you wish to complete a full course in summer school?
If you wish to "reach ahead" and complete a full course in summer school that you have not previously taken, you will include this information in the "ADD COMMENT" box when you "REVIEW YOUR COURSES" in myBlueprint. In your comment, please indicate that you are going to do summer school and include the specific course that you plan to take. This course will not be in your schedule for next year. In myBlueprint you will NOT choose this course, but instead choose another course to fill this compulsory course slot in your Course Plan. If you are planning to take a new course(s) in summer school (you can do one in July and one in August if you desire), please register now through the 'Continuing Education' tab in your MP account so that you are assured of a spot.

French Immersion students must select French Immersion courses in: French Immersion students must have total of 10 credits in French to get an Immersion Certificate. You must choose FIF3UF and one other from the group below:
-Biology (SBI3UF)
-Food and Culture (HFC3MF)
-Co-op (DCO3O9-2 credits - FI placement)
-Peer Helping (NO CODE - choose either SBI3UF or HFC3MF on your course plan and fill out the Peer Helping Google Form)

Select your compulsory courses from the disciplines below:
ENGLISH: NBE3C1: English: First Nations/Metis.Inuit Voice-College, NBE3E1 English: First Nations/Metis.Inuit Voice-work place, NBE4U1: English First Nations/Metis.Inuit Voice-University.

The grade 11 English courses have been adjusted to support the DDSB commitment to Indigenous reconciliation and decolonization while eliminating anti-Indigenous racism.

MATHEMATICS: MCR 3 U 1 (Prerequisite - MPM2D1) •Prerequisite for : MDM 4U1 / MHF 4U1 / MCV 4U1*
MCF 3M1 (Prerequisite - MPM2D1 / MFM2P1) •Prerequisite for only one Gr. 12 U math: MDM 4U1
MBF 3C1 (Prerequisite - MPM2D1 / MFM2P1) •Prerequisite for : MAP 4C1•MEL 3E1 (Prerequisite - MPM1D1 / MFM1P1 / MAT2L1)

If an English as a Second Language student wishes to have an additional ESL course in semester 2, they can choose ESLBO1 (English as a second language - semester 2) as one of their elective courses.

Please note: Careers and Civics are co-requisites and must be taken together (each course is worth 0.5 credit)

- You must select three "Elective" courses, plus two "Alternate" courses.
- You are NOT eligible for Study Periods, Peer Helping, or Co-operative Education.
- The Academic course level is designed for students who intend to pursue postsecondary education at university but can also be taken by students who wish to pursue college or apprenticeships after high school.
- The Applied course level is designed for students who intend to pursue postsecondary education at college or who are interested in pursuing apprenticeship/skilled trades opportunities.
- Locally Developed courses are designed for students who completed Locally Developed courses in their grade 9 year, or who had difficulty meeting the applied course level expectations in the previous year.
Locally Developed grade 10 classes lead to Workplace level courses in grade 11.

Students in the Workplace pathway are preparing for the world of work immediately out of high school, although there are also a few college pathways open to them after high school, as well.
Students are usually recommended into Locally Developed courses at their IPRC meeting.

- You do not have to take all courses at the same level

If you plan to pursue university directly out of high school, you would need to select at least English at the Academic level (depending on what type of degree/program you wish to pursue you may also need Math and/or Science at the Academic level - e.g. you may decide to take Academic English and Applied Math and Science based on your academic strengths and/or goals).

## Online learning graduation requirement

Beginning with the cohort of students who entered Grade 9 in the 2020-21 school year, all students must earn a minimum of two online learning credits as part of the requirement for the Ontario Secondary School Diploma. These types of courses are only available in grades 11 and 12 and there is a process for families to opt-out of this graduation requirement. Opt out forms can be found in the Guidance Office or in the Guidance Google Classroom. Signed forms must be returned to Ms. Twomey in the Guidance Office.

More information about these grade 11 and 12 courses can be found in our course calendar at https://app.myblueprint.ca/public/courses/ddsb/ajaxhs (change Discipline Filter to "Asynchronous eLearning Courses").

