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GRADE 9 WESTWOOD COURSE CODE

- Graduation requires a minimum of 30 credits. It is strongly suggested that a student plan on graduating with more than 30.
- All grade 9 students must register for the five Grade 9 Core Courses (EN10F, SC10F, SS10F, PE10F, MA10F)
- Students must register for a minimum of 8 credits. (5 Compulsory courses and 3 other options)
- If you choose a course that is at lunch or after school, you may have more than 8 credits.
- When choosing your 3 Options – choose 5 in case there is a conflict with one of your choices.

Grade 9 Core Courses	Course Code	Select
English (0001) <i>This class runs all year</i>	EN10F	✓
Science (0120)	SC10F	✓
Social Studies (0101)	SS10F	✓
Physical Education (0169)	PE10F	✓
Mathematics (0080) <i>This class runs all year</i>	MA10F	✓

Grade 9 Option Courses Continued	Course Code	Rank
Dance (0174) Full year - Period 4: 12:05 PM – 1:05 PM (alternate days)	DA10SS	
Drama (0239)	DR10SS	
(NEW) Foundations of Engineering & Technology (7974)	ET10G	
Geography (1180)	GE20F	
Graphic Technology (7958) <i>Grade 10 Course</i>	GT10G	
Human Ecology (0486)	HE10S	
Applying Information & Communication Technology 1 (0217) and 2 (0218) (1 credit)	IT15FA IT15FB	
French (0403)	FR10F	
Musical Theatre (0244)	MT10SS	
Spanish (1081)	SP10G	
Visual Arts (0274)	VA10SS	
Visual Arts Advanced (0293) Full year - Period 4: 12:05 PM – 1:05 PM (Must also select – VA10SS) (alternate days)	VAA10SS	

Grade 9 Option Courses Rank your options 1- 5, with 1 being the most important.	Course Code	Rank
Band – Concert Band (0258) (alternate days)	MB10SS	
Band – Jazz Band (0264) (Must also select MB10SS) (alternate days)	MJ10SS	
(NEW) Business Innovations (0315)	BN10S	
Choir – Concert Choir (0260) Full year - Period 4: 12:05 PM – 1:05 PM (alternate days)	MC10SS	
Choir – Vocal Jazz (0266) Full Year - Period 4: 12:05 PM – 1:05 PM (Must also select MC10SS) (alternate days)	VJ10SS	
Computer Science (0280) <i>Grade 10 Course</i>	CS20S	

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Course Information Website – <http://www.sjasd.ca/school/westwood>

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***See over for diploma planning information

Westwood - Academic Diploma Planning Sheet

Grade 9		Grade 10		Grade 11		Grade 12		
Compulsory	Credit	Compulsory	Credit	Compulsory	Credit	Compulsory	Credit	
English 10F	1	English 20F	1	English 30S	1	English 40SC/L/T	1	
Social Studies 10F	1	Geography 20F	1	History 30F	1	Mathematics 40S/SA/SP	1	
Mathematics 10F	1	Mathematics 20S/SPA	1	Mathematics 30S/SA/SP	1	Phys. Ed. 40F	1	
Science 10F	1	Science 20F	1	Phys. Ed. 30F	1			
Phys. Ed. 10F	1	Phys. Ed. 20F	1					
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Comm. Service Hrs	10 Hrs	Comm. Service Hrs	10 Hrs	Comm. Service Hrs	10 Hrs	Comm. Service Hrs	10 Hrs	
School Based Options		School Based Options		School Based Options		School Based Options		+
Option 1 (required)	1	Option 1 (required)	1	Option 1 (required)	1	Option 1 (required)	1	
Option 2 (required)	1	Option 2 (required)	1	Option 2	1	Option 2 (required)	1	
Option 3 (required)	1	Option 3 (required)	1	Option 3	1	Option 3 (required for post-secondary purposes)		13
Option 4		Option 4	1	Option 4		Option 4		
Option 5		Option 5	1	Option 5		Option 5		
Total	8		10		7		5	30

*See your counselor for post-secondary entrance requirements.

NOTE: 30 credits are the minimum requirements for graduation

Westwood – AP Planning Sheet

Discipline	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Biology	Science 10F	Science 20F Biology 30S	Biology 40S-AP Biology 42S-AP	
Chemistry	Science 10F	Science 20F	Chemistry 30S	Chemistry 40S-AP Chemistry 42S-AP
English	English 10F	English 20F	English 30SL	English 40SL-AP English 42S-AP (Literature and Composition)
Mathematics	Mathematics 10F	Mathematics 20SPA* Mathematics 30SA (recommended)	Mathematics 30SP (required) Mathematics 40SP	Advanced Math AM40S Mathematics 42S-AP
Psychology	Geography 20F*	History 30F		Psychology 40S-AP Psychology 42S-AP

*Geography 20F is a grade 10 course that our AP students have an opportunity to take in grade 9. If a student is interested in taking Advanced Placement courses, they may take Geography 20F in grade 9 to balance out the rigor of their 4 years and to allow the student to take the most Advanced Placement courses possible.

Compulsory Courses Grade 9

(all students must gain a credit in these 5 courses)

ENGLISH – EN10F

English 10F occurs every day for both semesters.

This is an integrated, theme-based course designed to provide students with a solid foundation of literacy skills, knowledge, and learning strategies. The course emphasizes reading comprehension, personal and critical response, and interpretation of a variety of text forms. Students also learn to collect, organize, and synthesize information through research and inquiry processes. In this course, students express their ideas using the six English language arts skills of reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and representing. Emphasis is placed on written communication, including exploration, examination, and analysis of the structure of sentences, paragraphs, essays, and longer fiction and non-fiction text.

MATHEMATICS FOUNDATIONS – MA10F

Mathematics 10F occurs every day for both semesters.

This course provides the foundation for the various mathematics courses at the grade 10 level. The course includes, but is not limited to, statistics, probability, measurement, algebra, geometry and problem solving.

SCIENCE FOUNDATION – SC10F

This course is divided into four major units: Reproduction, Atoms and Elements, Nature of Electricity, and Exploring the Universe. The Reproduction unit involves the study of human reproduction and genetics. Atoms and Elements is an introduction to the basics of chemistry. The Nature of Electricity unit has students investigating static and current electricity. Exploring the Universe leads students through an exploration of the universe and the study of space science and technology.

CANADA IN THE CONTEMPORARY WORLD – SS10F

In this course we will learn about how our government works, how people immigrate to Canada and become citizens and what makes us unique as Canadians. In addition, we will examine some basic Canadian geography as well as global issues such as poverty, working conditions in the developing world, war and environmental challenges. In our examination of each issue, we will discuss how we, as Canadians, can actively respond to these issues.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION – PE10F

The intent of this course is to help Senior Years students develop the necessary skills for lifelong physical activity participation and provide students with the necessary knowledge to assist them in making appropriate decisions regarding the health issues facing youth. The skills acquired in this course are based on the fourteen basic movement skills and the five personal and social management skills in a combined and integrated approach blending physical education and health education.



Optional Courses

A minimum of three are required.

BUSINESS INNOVATIONS – BN10S (NEW COURSE)

Whether you're curious about launching a business, understanding how markets work, or exploring the role of technology in commerce, this course offers an exciting, practical foundation for your future in business. Business Innovations is an engaging introductory course designed to give students a dynamic preview of the Applied Commerce Education program. Students will explore a wide range of commerce-related fields—including economics, entrepreneurship, business management, marketing, technology, and finance. Through hands-on projects and interactive simulations, students will learn key concepts and strategies and apply them in creative, real-world business scenarios.

GEOGRAPHY – GE20F Grade 10

The focus of this course is the environmental and political issues in geography that impact our lives and those of future generations within the context of North America. Major topics of discussion will include: the impact of energy use on our planet, sustainable development, issues related to trade and industry, food production and related issues, population growth and city planning, use of Global Positioning Systems and Geographic Information Systems.

FRENCH FOUNDATIONS – FR10F

Basic French courses are taught in French. Students will participate in a variety of activities to further their linguistic competence. Students will have the opportunity to begin practicing their reading, writing and communication skills in French.

SPANISH FOUNDATIONS – SP10G

Spanish 10G is a language learning course for beginners. The focus of the course is on the acquisition of language required for purposes and situations usual in everyday social interaction. The course is taught in Spanish, but English is used when necessary. Students will participate in a variety of activities to further their linguistic competence. The use of games will be frequently used to increase retention of material. Through guided practice, students will develop their confidence and competence to express themselves in Spanish, both orally and in writing. Students will be exposed to Latin American and European Spanish, although emphasis is on the former. In addition, students will be introduced to the history and culture of Hispanic countries: art, music, food and culture.

FOUNDATIONS OF ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY – ET10G (NEW COURSE)

This introductory course gives students a broad overview of engineering and technological systems. Students explore the engineering design process, basic drafting and measurement skills, and foundational concepts in electricity, mechanics, and digital technology. Through hands on activities such as building simple machines, experimenting with circuits, and designing small prototypes, students learn how engineers approach problem solving. The course also introduces safe tool use, workshop practices, and collaborative project work.

GRAPHIC COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY – GT10G

This course is an introduction to graphic design and communications through print and digital media. Students will develop skills in document layout by creating ads, business cards, and other publications using Adobe InDesign. Students will develop digital drawing and painting skills, use digital effects, and create collages in Adobe Photoshop. Students also learn the foundations of vector graphics in Adobe Illustrator and may begin to create animation using Adobe Animate. T-shirts, buttons, and mugs are also produced by students. * A fee is involved to assist in covering the cost of supplies.

APPLIED INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY 1 – IT15FA (0.5 credit)

APPLIED INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY 2 – IT15FB (0.5 credit)

Students taking ICT must take both half credit courses to equal 1.0 credit. IT15FA and IT15FB cannot be taken individually. Students will learn to use current technology for tasks at school and in their personal lives. Living in a digital world, this course will help them become competent and proficient using computer programs, communication skills, and keyboarding. In this course, students will be given the opportunity to develop or improve proficiencies in important technology skills and knowledge.

This course includes content in:

- Hardware, software, and the Internet
- Improving technical proficiency in keyboarding, email composition, and computer use
- Using Office 365 through Word, Excel, OneDrive
- Communication through digital media, creating websites, social media safety
- Exploring basic coding

HUMAN ECOLOGY – HE10G

Human Ecology 10G offers students the opportunity to study topics in three broad areas: Foods and Nutrition, Textile Arts and Design, and Family Studies. A hands-on approach is taken in this course with opportunities for students to prepare food and construct clothing/housing projects. Topics include safe handling and preparation of foods, nutrition basics, personal use of textiles, individual clothing choices, textile construction techniques, and adolescent development. * A fee is involved to assist in covering the cost of supplies.

Arts Options

CONCERT BAND – MB10SS

Here is where it all begins for the Westwood Band Program. Grade 9 and 10 Concert Band students meet separately, forming their own fully voiced ensemble. Starting with the fundamentals and a pile of laughter and fun, we build on each player's ability using group and individualized instruction, setting our musicians towards performance confidence and mastery learning. We employ clinicians that come to class time for individual help and offer a unique twist to "practice". We encourage our students not to take their instruments home and use the band room as their own space and as a source of inspiration. This class meets every second day all year long.

JAZZ BAND – MJ10SS

To be in Jazz you must be registered in one of our Concert Bands. Jazz classes meet every second day all year. We offer students a chance to take their musical talents in a whole new direction in Jazz. We travel every year to the Brandon Jazz Festival for a few days, and every 2nd year we travel across Canada to attend the Nationals. At Westwood, we offer three fully voiced jazz ensembles for every possible level of student. We even take raw beginners ! All jazz ensembles are sorted by ability and not by age, so you will get to work with people at your skill level.

CONCERT CHOIR – MC10SS

The purpose of this course is to allow for participation, education, and enjoyment in choral music. The program is performance oriented and will feature choral repertoire from various genres (classical to world music to musical theatre). Students will have the opportunity to participate in several performances throughout the school year. Student self-assessment is an important component of this course.

VOCAL JAZZ – VJ10SS

This course develops the techniques of voice production, microphone technique and the skills required for participation in a vocal jazz ensemble. It is designed for those individuals who are excelling in their choral classes. Listening is a significant part of this course as well as the study of vocal jazz improvisation. Students will study various forms of vocal jazz. This program is performance oriented. Students will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of programs including Choralfest, School Concerts, Brandon Jazz Festival and FLOTA (For Love of the Arts).

DANCE – DA10SS

The development of jazz dance as a separate dance form will be examined. Basic jazz technique, dance composition, and theory will be introduced. Other styles of dance are introduced as supplementary units of study. During the grade 9 year this course goes on all year, every other day, during the lunch hour from 12:05 to 1:05 PM.

DRAMA – DR10SS

This course emphasizes participation in drama. It will include oral interpretation, monologues, scene work, improvisation, and some writing for the stage. Students will also have the opportunity to be part of a live performance to showcase their talents and abilities.

MUSICAL THEATRE – MT10SS

In this course, students will develop self-expression and creativity through the experience of singing, acting, and dancing. All students who would like to perform onstage will be required to complete an audition. There will be a focus on audition techniques and requirements. Students will also gain an understanding of the link between music and movement and learn the values of performance and group co-operation. Course work includes both individual projects and ensemble performances.

VISUAL ARTS – VA10SS

This is an introductory course where students will learn more about themselves as artists. The course focuses on exposure to a variety of mediums and art movements. Students will be artists and tap into their creative nature as well as find satisfaction and pride in their work while having fun. Their work will be based on the study and understanding of Art Theories, as well as the Elements and Principles of Design. This course will offer a variety of research-based art projects that will allow students to explore a variety of media and art making techniques. A sketchbook will be kept throughout the course for daily sketching, as well as research and reflective journaling. A special project will be completed in this course. Student self-assessment is an important component of this course.

VISUAL ARTS ADVANCED – VAA10SS

Students explore a variety of media and themes while focusing on growing as an artist. This course is a more intensive course designed to challenge skilled artists. Students will explore various universal themes throughout history while allowing for some choice in the media. Art history components will be integrated as research into the studio work. A portion of time will be devoted to special projects. A sketchbook will be kept throughout the course for daily sketching, as well as research and reflective journaling. Student self-assessment is an important assessment component in this course.