

# YALE SECONDARY SCHOOL INFORMATION FOR GRADE 11s

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## Counsellors

Counsellors provide help in a variety of areas which include timetabling, personal counselling, advocating for students, arranging assistance, post-secondary options, career planning, scholarships and bursaries.

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## DECISIONS TO MAKE

Selecting courses can be challenging and confusing. It is much easier if you have an idea of what you want to do once you graduate and what is needed to make that happen. If you don't know exactly what you want to do, then it might be wise to try to keep your options open, so you have a number of directions to pursue once you graduate. Here are some questions to consider as you plan your courses for next year:

### **1. Do I want to pursue studies in Business, Science or Health Science?**

Business, Science and Health Science programs at universities and other post-secondary institutions have specific Math and Science entrance requirements. Consult the calendar of each institution you are considering, to learn their individual requirements.

### **2. Do I want to pursue studies in Technology or Trades?**

Many technology programs do require higher levels of Math and may have upper-level Science requirements as well. Trades programs have a range of math requirements depending on the trade. Consult the calendar of each institution you are considering, to learn their individual requirements.

### **3. Do I want to pursue studies in the Humanities?**

Bachelor of Arts programs generally require English 12 and a minimum of three other academic grade 12 courses. Some institutions, like UFV, require English 12 and two other academic grade 12 courses. Smaller universities also offer other opportunities to study without being formally attached to a degree program. Consult the calendar of each institution you are considering, to learn about their individual requirements.



### ***What choices do I have?***

Please refer to the “Math - Information and Pathways” article on this tab.

Other articles that are extremely useful are the “**Graduation Requirements**” page and the list of “**Fine Arts and Applied Skills**” document.

### ***TRADES:***

*Thinking about a career in the trades? Please visit Yale Secondary’s website under “Programs > Career Programs” where you will find information on trades programs that you can access through school.*

## **GRADE 11 COURSE SELECTIONS**

You will need to select 4 Foundation Studies courses as well as 4 elective courses. Required courses at the grade 11 level are: A Language Art 11, A Math 11, A Science 11 and a Social Studies 11 or 12.

Please use the available documents (Graduation Requirements, Math Pathways, Fine Art and Applied Skill List, etc.) to make informed decisions regarding your requests. The school schedule is built using student’s original requests. Please keep your interests and current career path choices in mind when choosing your classes for next year.



## MAKE PAW PRINTS AT YALE



### SPORTS

*Fall: Swimming, Volleyball, Boys Soccer, Cross Country*

*Winter: Wrestling, Basketball*

*Spring: Rugby, Girls Soccer, Track & Field, Badminton, Golf, Tennis*



Listen to the announcements for team try-outs or meetings. If you want to get involved but don't know who the coach is, see Mr. Byron, the Athletic Director, or one of the Counsellors.

## LINK CREW

(Helping new grade 9's adjust to Yale)

Link Crew is a Grade 9 transition program whose objectives are: to increase academic success through support of peers; to develop leadership skills in students at Yale; to pass on positive traditions; to expose students to a variety of individuals at Yale in positive situations; to help foster a supportive and positive atmosphere at Yale; to empower grade 11 and 12 students as role models. Individually selected grade 11 students are trained in team-building activities, cooperative skill development and discussion skills. Each Link Leader then receives a list of 10 Grade 9 students to telephone and personally invite to the August orientation, to work with at the orientation and to stay in touch with throughout the school year. All grade 9 students are encouraged to participate. If a letter is not received in August outlining the orientation day, please contact the school directly.

## YALE CLUBS

**On the Page** (Writing Club) for students who like to write and share their words. Mrs. White in Rm B133 Wednesdays at lunch.

**Yale Key Club** meets Tuesdays at lunch with Mr. Caron in the Learning Commons.

**Yale Pride/GSA** meets with Mr. Penner Thursdays at lunch time in E210.

**D & D Club** meets every Tuesday and Wednesday at lunch with Ms. Sandison's room in Portable 7.

**Global Club** meets in Mrs. Chan's room (B123) Fridays after school.

**Ski Club** see Mr. Hunter in C109 for information.

**Travel Club** see Mr. Radons in D115 for information.

**Knitting & Crochet Club** meets Thursdays at lunch in E206.

**Yale Key Club** meets Tuesdays at lunch with Mr. Caron in the Learning Commons.

**Chess Club** meets with Mr. Dekleva in the Learning Commons at lunch.

**Black Connections** see Mrs. Tessarolo or Mr. Roberts in room A136 for information.

**Homework Club** meets Monday – Thursday after school in the Learning Commons.

Dear Students:

Welcome to the process of choosing your courses for the upcoming school year. We understand that this can be an exciting and challenging time, as you begin to plan for your future and explore your interests. As you make your choices, we encourage you to be mindful of your long-term goals, and to choose courses that will help you achieve them.

It is important to remember that the courses you take now will have a significant impact on your future opportunities. Taking challenging courses, and doing well in them, will help you build a strong academic foundation and demonstrate to colleges and employers that you are a dedicated and capable student. Additionally, by taking a variety of courses, you will have the opportunity to explore different subjects and discover what you are passionate about.

We also encourage you to take advantage of the many opportunities available to you outside of the classroom. Participating in extracurricular activities, clubs, and community service projects can help you develop important skills, such as leadership and teamwork, and can make you a more well-rounded and competitive applicant for college and beyond.

In conclusion, as you plan your schedule for next year, we encourage you to think carefully about your future goals and to choose courses that will help you achieve them. Your high school years are an important time for personal and academic growth, so make the most of it. We wish you all the best in your course selection and in your studies!

Respectfully,

Mr. Sloboda

Principal



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