

# Merivale H.S.



Welcome to Course Fair and  
Option Sheet Briefing

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# High School Diploma Requirements

- 30 credits (18 compulsory, 12 electives)
- 40 hours Community Involvement
- Successfully complete the Literacy Test / Requirement

# 18 Compulsories

- 4 English (one per grade)
- 1 French as a second language
- 3 Mathematics (at least one in gr. 11 or 12)
- 2 Science
- 1 Canadian Geography (gr. 9)
- 1 Canadian History (gr. 10)
- 1 Arts
- 1 Physical and Health Education
- .5 Careers and .5 Civics

# Additional Compulsories

- Group 1 - English, French as a second language, Third Language, Social Science, Canadian and World Studies or Co-Op.
- Group 2 - Physical Education and Health, Arts, Business or Co-Op.
- Group 3 – Technology, Grade 11 or 12 Science, or Co-Op

# The Four Year Plan

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English	English	English	English
Math	Math	Math	<i>Elective</i>
Science	Science	<i>Elective</i>	<i>Elective</i>
Geography	History	<i>Elective</i>	<i>Elective</i>
Phys Ed	Careers/Civics	<i>Elective</i>	<i>Elective</i>
French	<i>Elective</i>	<i>Elective</i>	<i>Elective</i>
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# Immersion Pathway At Merivale

- Students must take FIF1D, FIF2D, FIF3U, FIF4U *and* students must take 6 additional courses instructed in French.

Courses instructed in French include:

- Geography, Science, History, Careers/Civics, Anthropology, Fitness
- DELF Test at end of Gr 12 for Immersion & Core students – Internationally recognized standard

# Gifted Pathway at Merivale

Students who have Gifted identification select courses marked with (G)

We make every effort to group all Gifted students into sections together.



# New English: NBE3C, NBE3U

## Contemporary Aboriginal Voices

- Merivale HS is one of 8 OCDSB schools offering Grade 11 students the NBE3C/U course as our Grade 11 Compulsory English credit. This course replaces ENG3C, ENG3U
- The implementation of courses which use Indigenous literature and themes will provide all students access to Indigenous literature reflecting many regions.
- This initiative is firmly linked to the Equity pillar of our Board's strategic plan and is also in alignment with the Ontario Equity Action Plan and the First Nations, Metis and Inuit Education Framework.

# NBE - cont.

- The Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Calls To Action highlight the responsibility of educators to ensure all students have an opportunity to learn about and better understand our Indigenous culture, history and perspectives.
- The OCDSB in consultation with Survivors, Indigenous peoples, and educators is honouring its commitment to Indigenous education. We hope to build student capacity for intercultural understanding, empathy, and mutual respect through age-appropriate

# NBE - cont.

- NBE3C/U – English – Contemporary Aboriginal Voices is an English course with an Indigenous focus.
- Builds on the reading, writing, oral communication and media studies curriculum strands that students have experienced in Grade 9 and 10.
- current, relevant, and provides students with an opportunity to learn and better understand Indigenous culture and history. The course materials focus on Indigenous authors.

# MATH at MHS

## Mathematics Curriculum for Gr 11 and 12:

“The characteristics given in the achievement chart for level 3 represent the “provincial standard” for achievement of the expectations in a course. A complete picture of overall achievement at level 3 is “70–79%”. Parents of students achieving at level 3 can be confident that their children will be prepared for work in subsequent courses.” (Ontario, 24)

# Math at MHS

- MBF3C - College preparation
- MCF3M - College/University Preparation or a bridge course to MCR3U
- MCR3U - University preparation

MHF4U - MCV4U - prerequisite for many University programs

# Pathways

In addition to classroom learning experiences, students may earn credit through a variety of pathways including:

- Cooperative Education
- Dual Credits at Algonquin College
- Online courses
- Specialist High Skills Major Programs

# SHSM - Graphic Design

- 8 course package leading to Red Seal Diploma
- Four “major” credits (Arts / Technology)
- English, Social Science, Business
- Sector-specific Cooperative Education placement
- Sector-specific training / workshops

*More info available at student sessions*

# Electives

Merivale offers a wide range of choice for elective courses in all areas including

- Arts
- Communication Technology
- Physical Health and Education
- Business
- Family Studies
- Cooperative Education
- Senior Math and Sciences



# Next Steps ...

- Students will attend grade specific sessions with MHS guidance staff;
- Students will complete a course option sheet using Career Cruising;
- Parent/guardian signature required;
- Questions about a pathway/course package? Contact Student Services!

Hand your signed Option  
Sheet into Student Services  
by February 28th

# Thanks!

Please proceed to the gym for the  
course fair