

Course Selections for Next Year



As you can see from the attached course requirements, **grade 12** is about choice and preparing for life after high school. Good choices based on sound research will help to create a timetable that will allow you to be successful.

Step #1- Research

- Check your semester one report card for teacher recommendations.
- Go to your high school planner in myBlueprint to see what credits you have and what you still need to graduate.
 - <http://myblueprint.ca/simcoe> (login with school account)
- Review the course calendar on the OSS website to see the full menu of courses that are available to choose from next year; click on the course codes to read complete descriptions.
 - https://oss.scdsb.on.ca/departments/guidance/course_selection
- Research post-secondary requirements so that you have what you need when it is time to apply to schools.
 - www.earnwhileyoulearn.ca (apprenticeships)
 - www.ontariocolleges.ca (college)
 - www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca (university)

Step #2 - Compulsory Courses

- Choose compulsory courses that were unsuccessfully attempted (ie. choose MBF3C if unsuccessful sem. 1)
- Choose compulsory next step courses (ie. after choosing ENG3U also choose ENG4U)
- Consider your pathway choices carefully: University (U), College (C), Workplace (E)
- Consult your teachers, guidance counsellor, or SERT for advice on pathway choices.

Step #3 - Electives

Key Questions:

- Which grade 12 courses have prerequisites? Don't have the prerequisite – choose another course.
- Do I have a plan for a minimum of the six 12M or 12U courses if I am considering university?
- Are all of my compulsory group 1, 2, and 3 credits achieved or planned for?
- Am I meeting the requirements needed if I am a SHSM student in Construction, Health & Wellness, Arts?

***To be eligible for a spare, you must have 24 credits by September and take 3 courses each semester of grade 12. We strongly recommend that you choose more courses than you need (for a total of 8) so that you have more flexibility and options.*

Step #4 - Alternates – you must select two “back up” choices

- If there is a timetable conflict and you cannot get one of your top choices, alternate courses will be used. Select courses that you are willing to take. **Choose wisely!**
- Your timetable for next year is based on the 8-10 courses you choose now and changes may not be possible once timetables are created. “Shopping” for new courses at the beginning of each semester is not encouraged.

Follow all of the above steps and fill in the planning sections of this page so that you are ready to enter your selections in the student portal. The portal will be open from Feb. 6th to March 3rd. After that date, changes can only be made by your Guidance Counsellor. Appointments can be requested using the google form on the OSS website.