# **COURSE SELECTION 2022**

# École Alpha Secondary School

**HOME OF THE EAGLES** 

#### **SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION**



Mr. Wozney

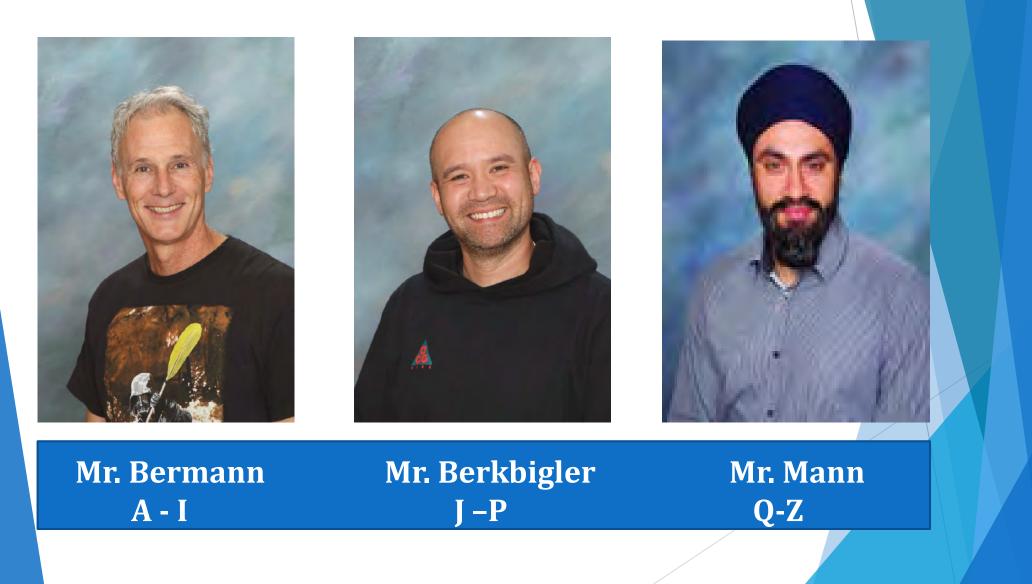
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# **SAFE SCHOOLS SPECIALIST**



# Wendel Williams

### **STUDENT SUPPORT & SAFETY** COUNSELLORS



# **LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

Students at Alpha are offered a wide range of leadership and enrichment activities:

- Student Government
- First Aid Team
- Peer Tutoring
- Dance Company
- Theatre Company
- ► Leadership
- Environmental Club

- Fine Arts Council
- Sports Council
- Grad Council
- ► Offence
- Peer Mentoring
- Mental Health Awareness

### **ATHLETICS**

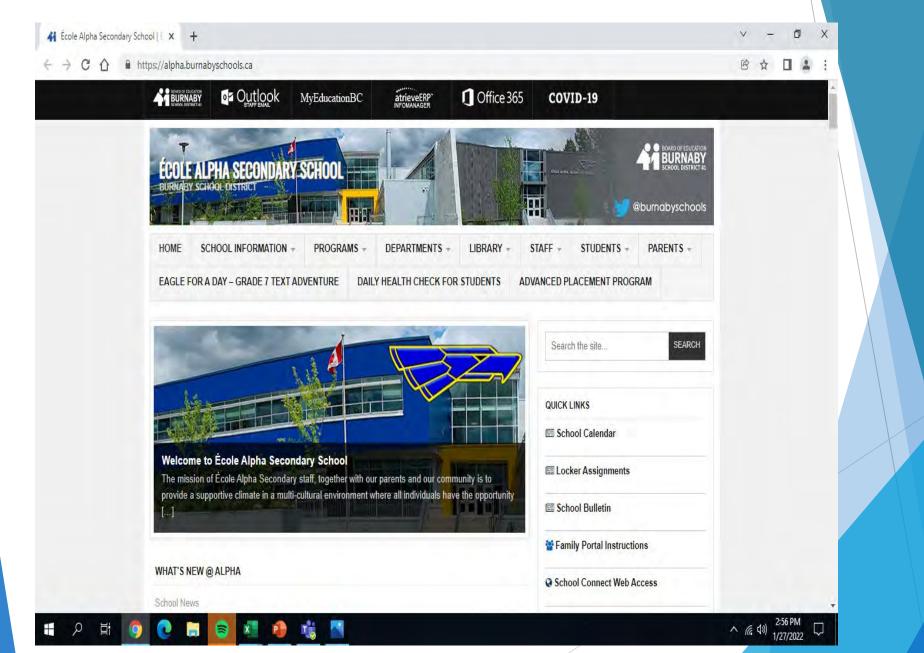
Volleyball – Girls & Boys FALL Soccer (boys) X-Country (all grade levels) Swimming **WINTER** Basketball-boys & girls **SPRING** Track & Field Rugby Soccer (girls)

Badminton, Netball, Tennis, Ultimate

### **COMMUNICATION**

- Teacher, Counsellor, Administration Email
- Meet the Teacher Evening September
- Parent/Teacher Conferences Two times a year
- Report Cards Four times a year
- PAC Meeting and presentations
- Course Selection Evening
- Newsletter, Parent Portal, Electronic Board
- School Website: alpha.burnabyschools.ca
- Twitter: @alphaSD41

# WELCOME TO alpha.burnabyschools.ca



#### **COURSE SELECTION PROCESS**

- Counsellors will conduct detailed information sessions during February
- Students will select courses and enter courses online at home
- Parents are asked to review courses with student
- System will open on Feb 1<sup>st</sup> and close on Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- Course Verifications sent home via email in March
   requested changes must be signed by parent



### **COURSE SELECTION**

- Our timetable is constructed based on students' needs and requested classes
- Schools are staffed and timetabled according to the information on students' course selection forms
- It is important for students to carefully select their courses so we can try to provide their first choice
- Changes at a later date may not be possible

### **COURSE SELECTION**

- Students are required to take 8 courses
- Exceptions include our specialized programs or grade
   12 students who have been granted a study block
- Students with incomplete timetables or errors will be prioritized for course corrections in September
- Please check course verification forms carefully as changes are not always possible

### SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

# **GRADE 9 PROGRAM**

### **REQUIRED (5)**

- ► English
- Social Studies
- Mathematics
- ► Science
- Physical Education

#### **ELECTIVES (3)**

- Languages
- Visual Arts
- Performing Arts
- Leadership
- Home Economics
- ► Technology Ed.
- Business Ed.

# **GRADE 10 PROGRAM**

#### FOUNDATION STUDIES (6)

- An English 10 (4 options)
- Social Studies 10
- Science 10
- Mathematics 10
- Physical Education 10
- Career Life Ed. 10

#### **SELECTED STUDIES (2)**

- Electives
  - ► Language
  - ► Fine Arts
  - Applied Skills

# MATH OPTIONS FOR GR 9 & 10

#### **GRADE 9**

Mathematics 9

#### **GRADE 10**

- Workplace Mathematics 10
  - Below 60% in Mathematics 9
- Foundations of Math and Pre-Calculus 10

### **LANGUAGE ELECTIVE OPTIONS**

A second language is **not required for graduation**, but is required for direct admission to some universities

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French 8, 9, 10, 11 (Fr 12)

Spanish/Mandarin/Japanese 9, 10, 11 or

Intro Spanish 11

Intro Mandarin 11

Intro Japanese 11  $\rightarrow$ 

Intro French 11 (new)  $\rightarrow$ 

Spanish 11 (Sp 12)
Mandarin 11 (Man 12)
Japanese 11 (Ja 12)
French 11 (Fr 12)

UBC -- Lang 11 SFU -- Intro Lang 11 UVIC -- Faculty Specific

# **ELECTIVE OPTIONS**

#### **FINE ARTS**

- ► Art
- Band (Concert/Jazz)
- Choir
- Dance
- Drama
- Theatre Company

#### LEADERSHIP

- Leadership
- Indigenous Leadership

#### **APPLIED SKILLS**

- Entrepreneurship and Marketing
- Computer Studies
- Creative Wood/Art/Metal
- Digital Business Communications
- Drafting + Design
- Electronics + Robotics
- Foods Studies
- Textiles
- General Trades Skills Exploration
- Woodworking

# GR 11 & 12 PROGRAM

### **FOUNDATION STUDIES**

- English 11
  - (multiple options)
- Social Studies 11 or 12
- ▶ a Science 11
- a Mathematics 11
- 4 electives
- ► CLC 11

- English Studies 12 or First Peoples 12
- ► Grade 12
- ► Grade 12
- ► Grade 12
- CLC 12 Capstone
- 4 electives

# **GR 11 & 12 MATH OPTIONS**

#### WORKPLACE MATH 11/12

- ► For entry into some trades programs
- Sufficient for graduation

#### FOUNDATIONS OF MATH 11/12

 Meets the Math requirement for Admissions into post secondary academic programs in arts, social sciences, humanities

#### **PRE-CALCULUS 11/12**

 Required for entry into post secondary academic programs in business, science, engineering

# **FRENCH IMMERSION DOUBLE DOGWOOD REQUIREMENTS**

- 50% of Grade 8-10 Instruction
- Mathematiques 8-10
- Sciences Humaines 8-10
- ► Francais Langue 8-10
- Sciences Naturelles 8-10
- 25% of Grade 11 and 12 Instruction
- Sciences Humaines 11
- Francais Langue 11 and 12

# OUTDOOR EDUCATION 11/12 주

- NEW Outdoor Education course for Grade 11s and 12s
- Students will learn about environmental stewardship and how to be responsible outdoors
- Students will participate in various activities such as:
  - Water-based activities (paddle boarding, kayaking, swimming)
  - Snow-based activities (snow shoeing, skiing etc.)
  - Land-based activities (rock climbing, hiking, camping)
- NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY! Just come with a positive attitude and a willingness to try new things
- Note: Students will be expected to travel in groups to locations outside of school and may be dismissed at 3pm from these locations.

# **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (2022)**

- ▶ 80 credits over Grades 10, 11, 12
- ► Including...
  - ► A Language Arts 10, 11, 12
  - Social Studies 10 & Social Studies 11 or 12
  - Science 10 & a Science 11 or 12
  - Math 10 & an 11 or 12
  - Physical & Health Education 10
  - An Arts Education and/or Applied Design, Skills & Technologies 10, 11 or 12
  - Two Career Education Courses (CLE 10 + CLC 11/12)
- Graduation Assessments
  - Numeracy Assessment (grade 10)
  - Literacy Assessment (grade 10 and grade 12)

## **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

### **CAREER LIFE CONNECTIONS 11/12**

- CLC 11: workshops via collaborative time and related assignments
- 30 hours of work experience or community service
- CLC 12: A Capstone project that will help students set goals for post-secondary education or career pursuits, as well as reflect on their journey as a high school student
- A student-led interview in Grade 12

# **ADVANCEMENT / AP**

#### **BENEFITS OF AP**

- AP can replace a Grade 12 ministry course for graduation
- AP class mark / grade can be used as an admission course for university applications in place of a ministry course
- Optional AP May Exam mark can be used for first year university course credit (4 = 86%, 5 = 96%)
  - ie. AP Statistics = STAT 101(3) / SFU or STAT 200(3) / UBC
  - ie. AP Biology = BISC 101(4) & BISC 102(4) / SFU or BIOL 1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR(8) / UBC

# **ADVANCEMENT / AP**

#### **AP COURSES OFFER:**

- Access to rigorous college-level work
- Exploration of subjects at a deeper level of learning
- Confidence, time management and study skills
- Advanced research and communication skills
- Creative, problem-solving, and analytical skills

# **AP COURSES AT ALPHA**

- AP2D Design/Photo Portfolio 12
- AP3D Design Portfolio 12
- AP Biology 12 (Anatomy & Physiology)
- AP Chemistry 12
- AP Calculus 12 AB
- AP English Literature & Composition 12
- AP Environmental Science 12
- AP French Language & Culture
- <u>AP Microeconomics (Sept. 2022)</u>
- <u>AP Macroeconomics (Sept. 2023)</u>
- <u>AP Human Geography</u>
- AP Physics 1
- AP Psychology 12
- AP Statistics 12

**Ms. Norris (AP Coordinator)** 

### **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS vs POST SECONDARY ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- Requirements for Graduation are not necessarily sufficient to meet requirements for admission to post secondary institutions
- Requirements vary from school to school and from program to program
- Please Google each program admission requirements, i.e.:
  - UBC Engineering Admissions
  - SFU Arts Admissions

# **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?**

#### FACULTY OF SCIENCE AT SFU

- ► English 12
- Pre-Calculus12
- Two of: Bi 12, Ch 12, Ph 12, Calculus 12
- One additional Academic 12
- Physics 11/Chemistry 11

#### FACULTY OF SCIENCE AT UBC

- ► English 12
- ► Pre-calculus 12
- One of: Bi 12, Ch 12, Ph 12, Geol 12
- One Additional Academic 12
- ▶ (Min. of 6 Grade 12 courses)
- Physics 11/Chemistry 11

September 2021 admission averages for Faculty of Science: UBC - Van 88% | UBC - OK 78% | SFU 85% | UVIC 80%

## **CAREER PROGRAMS**

#### **CAREER PROGRAM ADVISORS**

Ms. Gillam and Ms. Lo:



# **CAREER PREPARATION PROGRAMS**

- WEX 12A is an elective, 4-credit course for Grade 11 and 12 students with credit granted at the end of Grade 12
- Organized into eight program areas:
  - Business & Applied Business
  - ► Fine Arts, Design, & Media
  - Fitness & Recreation
  - Health & Human Services

- Liberal Arts & Humanities
- Science & Applied Sciences
- Tourism, Hospitality & Foods
- Trades & Technology
- 80 hours of work experience that provides a unique source of valuable experience and information that directly impacts post-secondary decisions

# **INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAMS**

These programs offer a unique partnership with post-secondary institutions or local. They offer significant benefits to motivated students.

#### Students can:

- Begin formal apprenticeship training
- Earn graduation credits
- Gain recognized industry certification
- Develop industry-standard portfolios of their work
- Make invaluable connections in their chosen field

# **INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAMS**

#### TRADES PROGRAMS

- Automotive Collision Repair
- Auto Refinishing & Prep
- Auto Service Technician
- Baker
- Carpentry Level 1--Framing
- Construction Electrician
- Cook Training, Level 1
- Hair Stylist
- Metal Fabrication
- Plumbing

VCC (King Edward Campus) VCC (King Edward Campus) Cariboo Hill VCC (King Edward Campus) Cariboo Hill Burnaby Mountain Burnaby Central Alpha BCIT Plumbing Industry Board

# **INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAMS**

#### **INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION**

Computer Networking Technician Fitness Leadership Instructor Hotel and Event Management

#### **INDUSTRY CONNECT**

Graphics/Media Arts Digital Sound Production Film & Broadcast Health Sciences Mechatronics Byrne Creek Burnaby North Burnaby North Moscrop Alpha

Burnaby South Burnaby South Burnaby Mountain

## **TECHNOLOGY** *Accaseding at Cariboo Hill* - Digipen Gaming Academy - Palo Alto Cyber Security Academy - Microsoft Office Specialist Certification

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# **NEED MORE INFORMATION?**

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