

Grade 9 Course Selection

Dartmouth High School

Grade 9 Orientation

Grade 9's from our feeder schools

(Bicentennial, Caledonia, Ellenvale and John Martin)

End of May - early June

This year will be done with a video!

Semester Schedule

1st Semester - September - January

2nd Semester - February - June

4 courses/semester

Exams @ end of each semester

Course Load

The minimum number of courses that students are expected to take throughout their high school years = 21

- ◆ Grade 10 - 8 courses
- ◆ Grade 11 - 7 courses
- ◆ Grade 12 - 6 courses

Note: Students are permitted to take up to 8 courses in any given year if they choose.

Daily Schedule

Time	Day A	Day B	Day C	Day D
8:25-9:40	1	4	2	3
9:50-11:05	2	3	1	4
11:05-12:20	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
12:25-1:40	3	2	4	1
1:50-3:05	4	1	3	2

PowerSchool

Student Portal & Parent Portal

Tracks attendance & lates

Marks on assignments & tests

Phone calls home for missed classes

Follows students school to school

Passing Courses in High School

Students fail a course, not a grade

Failed courses are repeated, not the entire year

i.e. if you fail English 10 you have to take it again!

Graduation Requirements

Students must obtain at least 18 credits to graduate.

No more than 7 credits from grade 10 courses

No limit on grade 11 courses

At least 5 credits must be at the grade 12 level

Compulsory Credits

The following 13 compulsory credits are required for graduation

3 English: one at grade 10, 11 & 12

1 Fine Arts: Art, Dance, Drama, Music (Band or Guitar)

3 Math: one at grade 10, 11 & 12

2 Science: One of Biology 11(F) or Science 10(F) & one other approved science course.

1 other from Math or Science or Technology

1 Physical Education: *Physical Education 10, 11 or 12, Physically Active Living 11, Mode de vie Actif 11, Dance 11, Yoga 11*

1 Canadian History: *Canadian History 11(F), African Canadian Studies 11 or Mi'kmaq Studies 11.*

1 Global Studies: *Global Geography 12(F) , Global History 12(F)*

English Courses Offered at DHS

English 10
English 10/Band

Mathematics Essentials 10
Mathematics at Work 10
Mathematics 10 (full year)

Mi'kmaq Studies 11
African Canadian Studies 11
Canadian History 11

Accounting 11

Learning Strategies 10

Visual Art 10
Dance 11
Music 10 (Band)
Guitar 10
Drama 10

Science 10
Biology 11
Adv. Bio 11
Human Bio 11
Oceans 11

Physical Education 10
Physically Active Living 11
Yoga 11

Construction Technology 10
Design 11
Skilled Trades 10

Food for Healthy Living 10 (½ credit)
Food in Society 10 (½ credit)
Child Studies 11

Advanced Placement

The Advanced Placement (AP) Program offers students the opportunity to take one or more university-level courses while in high school (Grade 12 year).

Benefits

Enrichment: Challenge yourself with rigorous academic courses

Flexibility: Choose courses based on your academic strengths and interests

Preparation: Experience university-level expectations and content to help you prepare for university studies.

University Recognition: Earn credit, advanced placement, or both, based on your performance on standardized, demanding AP examinations held in May every year.

Advanced Placement

AP Courses at DHS

Physics 1 and Physics 2

Chemistry

English

Microeconomics

Art History

Computer Science

French Immersion

The goal of the French Immersion Program is to develop a high degree of proficiency in French.

- Subjects taught in French parallel those offered in the regular program.
- To be eligible for the French Immersion graduation certificate, students must:
 - ◆ Take French Language Arts 10, 11 & 12
 - ◆ Each year take a minimum of two courses whose language of instruction is French.
 - ◆ Complete 9 or more courses in which the language of instruction is French (over your 3 high school years).

French Immersion vs English

Grade 10

Français 10

English 10

Sciences 10

Biologie 11 ou Avancée

Mathématiques 10

Mode de vie Actif 11

Art/Music/Dance

Grade 10

English 10

Science 10

Biology 11

Math 10

Phys. Ed 10/PAL 11/Yoga

Art/Music/Dance

Elective

Gr. 11 & 12 French Immersion Credits

Grade 11 (Must do at least 2 FI)

Français 11

Histoire du Canada 11

Biologie 12 ou Avancée

Grade 12 (Must do at least 2 FI)

Français 12

Géographie Planétaire 12 ou Histoire Planétaire 12

Biologie 12 ou Avancée

DELF Exam

The DELF exam is developed and administered by the International Centre for French Studies for France's Ministry of Education.

It is based on established international standards used in 164 countries.

Recognized internationally by francophone post-secondary institutions, a DELF certification offers a lifelong French language proficiency status.

Grade 12 students are encouraged but not required to take their DELF Test in their grade 12 year.

QUESTIONS?

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