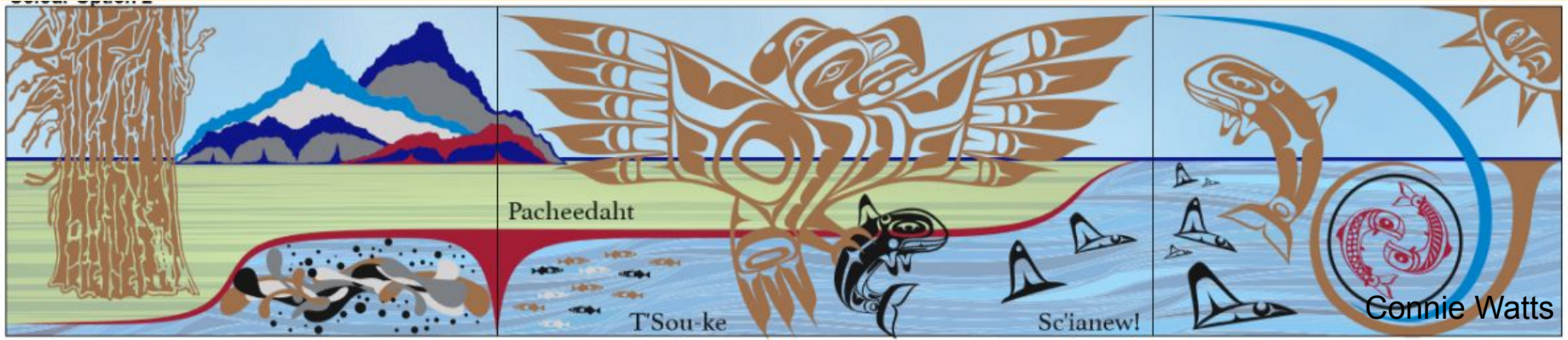




Welcome Grad Class of 2027.

**Transition planning and course selection
info for students entering Grade 9**



We would like to acknowledge the traditional territories of the Coast Salish, specifically Esquimalt Nation and Songhees Nation on which the school is built; and the nations SD62 works with Beecher Bay, Scia'new Nation, T'Sou-ke Nation, and Nuu-chah-nulth Pacheedaht Nation to the west. We recognize the territory and nation. We thank them for sharing this beautiful land.

Hych'ka – Coast Salish

Kleco Kleco – Nuu-chah-nulth

All students need to have access to their MyEd Student Portal

For instructions and direct links go to the Belmont website, under “Students” tab, click “MyEd student portal”

or click here

<http://belmont.web.sd62.bc.ca/students/myed-student-portal-information/>

Link to MyEd login page: <https://myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>

If you are “locked out”, send an email to belmontmyedportalsupport@sd62.bc.ca

Today's agenda:

- Why do your course requests matter?
- Counsellors
- Belmont Timetable
- Semester System
- Grade 9 Requirements
- Choice Programs
- Elective Course Options



Why your course requests matter

- Collection of course data
- Numbers crunched
- Resources (rooms, teachers, blocks)
- Majority rules
- Alternate choices



Counsellors and VPs

Please get to know your counsellor and Vice-Principal, as they will assist you throughout your high school years.

Last name starts with:	Counsellor and their email	Vice-Principal
A to Gh	Ms. Pettigrew (until June) spettigrew@sd62.bc.ca Mr. Robertson (start September) TRobertson@sd62.bc.ca	Ms. Horner
Gi to N	Ms. Keifert mkiefert@sd62.bc.ca	Mr. Smith
O to Z	Ms. Sandberg rsandberg@sd62.bc.ca	Mr. McHugh

Semester System

Students will take 8 (or more) courses per year.

- Semester 1: Sept - Jan (4 courses)
- Semester 2: Feb - June (4 courses)
- There are also:
 - Linear (Year-long) courses
 - “Outside The Timetable” (OTT) courses (run before or after school)

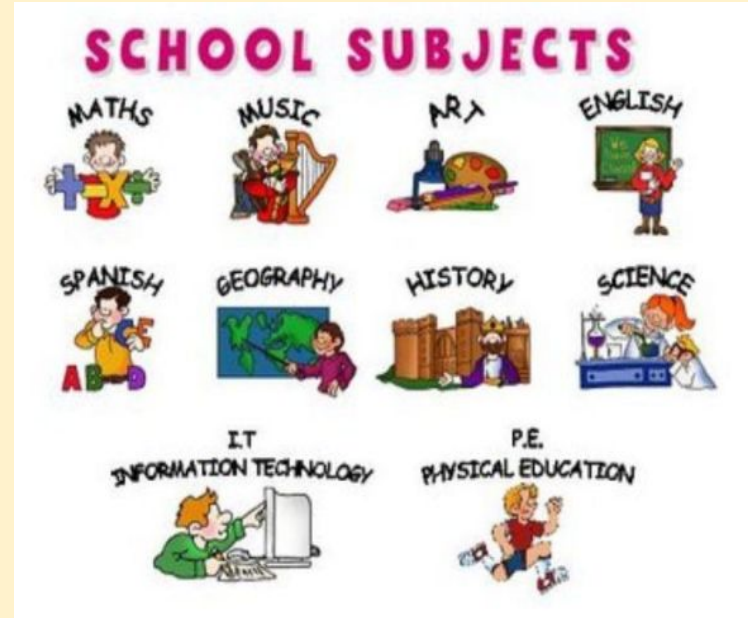


Bell Schedule

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:00 – 10:22 (82 mins) A	9:00 – 10:22 B	9:00 – 10:22 A	9:00 – 10:22 B	9:00-10:08 (68 mins) A
6 mins Class Change	6 mins Class Change	6 mins Class Change	6 mins Class Change	6 mins Class Change
10:28- 11:50 (82 mins) B	10:28- 11:50 A	10:28- 11:50 B	10:28- 11:50 A	10:14 - 11:22 (68 mins) B
11:50-12:30 (40 mins) Lunch	11:50-12:30 Lunch	11:50-12:30 Lunch	11:50-12:30 Lunch	11:22-12:02 Lunch
12:30- 1:52 (82 mins) C	12:30- 1:52 D	12:30- 1:52 C	12:30- 1:52 D	12:02 - 1:10 (68 mins) C
6 mins Class Change	6 mins Class Change	6 mins Class Change	6 mins Class Change	6 mins Class Change
1:58 – 3:20 (82 mins) D	1:58 – 3:20 C	1:58 – 3:20 D	1:58 – 3:20 C	1:16 – 2:24 (68 mins) D

Grade 9 Requirements

- English 9
- Math 9
- Science 9
- Social Studies 9
- Physical Health Education 9
- Plus 3 Electives (your choice)
- Career Education 9 (done within other courses)



“Choice” Programs

- Academies:
 - Hockey, Baseball/Softball, Rock climbing,
 - All academies require an online application and have additional fees
- Dance company
 - requires an audition, and has additional fees



Applications are found on the Belmont website under ‘Programs’ tab.



AVID

- a post-secondary preparation program
- Learn content-specific strategies for reading, writing, thinking, and speaking.
- Focus on Teamwork & collaboration, Leadership, Problem solving & critical thinking, Work ethic & persistence, Organizational skills, Creativity, Interpersonal communication, Relationship skills (e.g. conflict resolution)
- AVID is a linear (all year) program, paired with English.



Blended Learning 9

Blended learning is a mix of online and face to face learning, and is offered through SD62 Secondary Schools' Online Learning Hubs.

Program Highlights:

- Full time program that follows the school year
- Four days online, one day in-person
- Full curriculum covered
- Morning instruction with independent learning time in the afternoon
- Location for in-person learning will vary based on activities planned for the day
- Morning and afternoon check ins with teacher

Please contact your Vice-Principal or Counsellor if you are interested in registering for the Blended Learning program.



Elective Courses

- Active Living (alternative to PHE9)
- Athlete Training
- Ceramics and Sculpture
- Mixed Media Arts
- Visual Arts
- Photography
- Concert Band
- Introduction to Guitar
- Introduction to Piano
- Drumline
- Concert Choir
- Cosmetology (Hairstyling)
- Dance Technique
- Hip Hop and Conditioning
- Tap and Broadway Studies
- Food Studies
- Information Technology (Computers)
- Metalwork
- Woodwork
- French
- Japanese
- Spanish
- Outdoor Education
- Sustainability
- Textiles (sewing/fashion)
- Sports Performance: Basketball
- Sports Performance: Football
- Sports Performance: Rugby
- Sports Performance: Volleyball
- Leadership
- Theatre Company: Production
- Drama
- Film Making



Year-long Music Performance groups:

- Concert Band
- Choir

- These classes run all year, alternating with a linear PE class.
- Each linear course counts as one elective choice



Yearlong elective options outside the timetable:

- Concert Choir
- Leadership
- Athlete Training
- Theatre Company
- Sports Performance: Rugby or Basketball

*Classes typically meet before or after school twice a week.

How to be Successful

- Attend Class:

- Attendance -> Knowledge -> Achievement

- Be Positive:

- Make your class time count
 - Do your homework
 - Hand assignments in on time
 - Ask for help if you need it.
 - Be kind and courteous
 - Make new friends
 - Join Extra-Curricular Activities (teams, clubs, groups)

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*The expert in anything
was once a beginner*



Extra-Curricular Clubs and Teams



GSA

Youth Action Team

Culture Club

Clay Club

Improv Club

Gaming Club

Theatre Company

Drumline

Belmont Eulers (Math)

Volleyball

Badminton

Girls Basketball

Boys Basketball

Swimming

Soccer

Ultimate Frisbee

Football

Cross country running

Track and Field

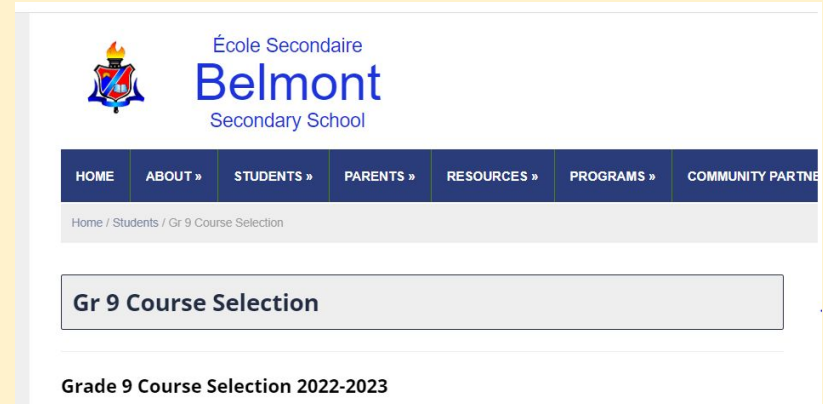
Boys Rugby

Girls Rugby

Course Selection Process

Review the Grade 9 Course Selection Booklet on the Belmont website under the “Students” tab.

- Think about your choices carefully
- Discuss plans with parents/teachers
- Think about your strengths and interests



The Belmont Counsellors will be back to your school next week to help you make your course selections online.

Online course selection window open from Feb. 21 - 28th

In preparation for **OUR** next visit:

- **Select 5 electives**
 - 3 top picks + 2 alternate choices (list them in order of preference).
 - You may not always get your first choice.
- **Bring your completed Gr 9 Course Selection form back to school for our next visit.**
- **Have your Login and password ready!**



Finally...

Grade 9 course selection forms can be found on our Belmont website. <https://belmont.web.sd62.bc.ca/students/gr-9-course-selection-booklet/>

- Draft Schedules released in June
- NOTE: things can/will change over the summer, so always check your schedule the night before the first day of school in September.

Any questions or concerns?



Have a successful rest of
your school year!

STAY STRONG

