



Course Selection for Grade 10

Alberta High School Diploma: Graduation Requirements

To attain an Alberta High School Diploma, a student must meet all requirements listed below. Post-secondary institutions and workplaces may require additional and/or specific courses for entry. Courses in red are not offered by Westmount Charter School, but still count toward the Alberta High School Diploma requirements and will be accepted.

A student must have a total of 100 credits with the following criteria:

5 credits in a 30-level English Language Arts course:
(English Language Arts 30-1 or **30-2**)

5 credits in a 30-level Social Studies course:
(Social Studies 30-1 or **30-2**)

5 credits in a 20-level Mathematics course:
(Mathematics 20-1, 20-2, or **20-3**)

5 credits in a 20-level Science course:
(Biology 20, Chemistry 20, or Physics 20, **Science 20** or **Science 24**)

3 credits in Physical Education 10

3 credits in Career and Life Management

A total of 10 credits, in any combination, from the courses below:

- Career & Technology Studies (CTS)
- Fine Arts
- Second Languages
- Physical Education 20 and/or 30
- **Registered Apprenticeship Programs**

A total of 10 credits, in any combination, in any 30-level courses.

This is in addition to English Language Arts and Social Studies listed above.

- 30-level mathematics, science, fine arts, second languages, CTS, or physical education
- 30-level locally developed courses
- **30-level Work Experience**
- Advanced level (3000 series) in CTS courses

Things to consider

- ❑ You need 100 credits to **graduate**
 - ❑ Including
 - ❑ 10 CTS or Fine Arts or PE 20/30 or 2nd Language credits
 - ❑ Math 20 (-1 or -2)
 - ❑ Science 20 (or Bio 20, Chem 20, Physics 20)
 - ❑ Hum 30 or Eng 30+Social 30
 - ❑ PE 10
 - ❑ Calm 20 (completed in SOURCE 10 & 11)

Things to consider - when planning

- ***Plus 10 additional credits, in 30 level course, in any combination.***
 - ***Most universities require 5 extra credits, in 30 level courses***
- Go directly to the University website for specific program info
- US universities may require 3-4 years of a second language
- Check My Blueprint for career exploration, university options, scholarships, etc. or speak with Ms. Kesik




Students going into Grade 10

Must register in One:

- Humanities *(Will be completed for you)*
- Mathematics *(You will need to choose appropriate level)*
- Science *(Will be completed for you)*
- Physical Education *(Will be completed for you)*

Complementary courses

- Typically need 4-6
 - Band all year (outside of the timetable)
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AP Courses

- HUM 20 AP - European History AP + Eng 20 + Social 20
- Some AP courses are paired - must be taken in the same year
 - Bio 30/35
 - Chem 30/35
 - NEW - English 30/35
 - NEW - year long Math 31
- Some AP courses stand alone & can be taken any time after the prerequisite
 - Stats, English Lit, Physics, Art, Calculus

Example schedule at Westmount

Block	D1	D2
MH1	HUM 10-1	HUM 10-1
SOURCE	SOURCE 10/CALM	SDS
MH2	x	Sports Med
MH3	Science 10	Science 10
MH4	Com Tech I	Com Tech I
MH1	HUM 10-1	HUM 10-1
SOURCE	SOURCE 10/CALM	SDS
MH2	PE 10	PE 10
MH3	Chem 20	Chem 20
MH4	Math 10	Math 10

Course selection

- Online **March 10** to **March 21**
- PowerSchool login *(must be in your wcs-g account first)*
 - Use the grade 10-12 course handbook found on the Westmount website
 - Student - Programming - [Course Selection](#)

Drop-in program planning

- lunch time
- March 10 -20 in Student Services
- Stop by to speak with admin or counsellor to help with course plan



WCS 3 year course planner

Things to consider when choosing courses:

- One 20-Level course per term, **at the most** (may need to consider which one if you want to take an AP course)
- Each student needs to take complementary (option) courses
- A half or 1 full spare at the most

[Fillable 3 year planning tool](#)




Why should you complete your course selection accurately?

Courses offered in the upcoming school year are offered based on demand during the course selection process.

Therefore it is very important for all students to complete their course selection in the portal. Course selection and placement into a course are independent of one another, therefore, it is not first-selected first-priority.

If demand is low, courses that appeared on the course selection list may not be offered in the next school year.



Schedule release & course changes

- schedules released in PowerSchool, **mid-June**
 - ensure schedule reflects a **balanced** term load, core classes spread throughout the year
- course changes mid-June, during exam break

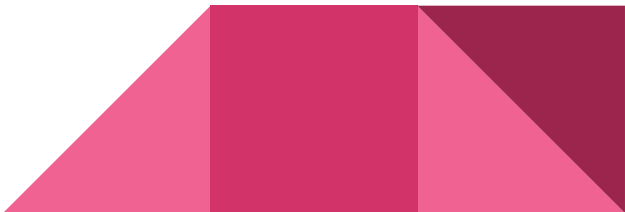


My Pass - create an account

Q: What is a myPass Account and why do I need one?

A: myPass is a self-service website for students provided by Alberta Education.

All students require a myPass account so they can:

- View Diploma exam results
 - Order official transcripts
 - View Detailed Academic Report (DAR)
 - View progress towards high school diploma
 - Register to rewrite diploma exams
 - Update their personal information
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Questions???

