



St. Thomas More Collegiate – Course Selection Sheet Grade 8 – 2019/2020

NAME: _____ Date: _____

Directions:

1. **This is a worksheet only.**
 2. Course selection should be entered online using the Parent Portal of PowerSchool (course selection is not available through the Student Portals). Selections entered through the Parent Portal are considered to have parent approval.
 3. Please see Mr. Bouwman/Spanjers if you have any course selection questions. See Mr. Olson if you are experiencing difficulties registering for courses using PowerSchool.
 4. The **deadline** for course selections to be entered into PowerSchool is **March 31, 2019**.
 5. Check the boxes of the courses you wish to take after consulting with your parents.
 6. **Note:** Students are admitted into enriched and/or accelerated mathematics courses through the Head of Department (HOD) as part of a formal review process. Please see the course descriptions on our STMC Academics pages of our school website. Teacher approval will be given *after* course selection is complete. Final placement in these courses will be subject to Grade Level Administrator & STMC HOD approval.
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Please visit our [STMC Grades 8-12 Academics](#) link on our school website to see full course descriptions.

A. Pre-selected courses:

- ✓ **Career Education 8*
 - ✓ English 8
 - ✓ ***French 8*
 - ✓ Mathematics 8 / ****Mathematics 9*
 - ✓ Physical & Health Education 8
 - ✓ Religion 8
 - ✓ Science 8
 - ✓ Social Studies 8
- [**Career Education 8 is offered via an integrated delivery model through all courses*]
[***Students with an IEP that require a Learning Assistance block are Language exempted*]

B. Admission into Accelerated Courses:

*****Mathematics 9** - Incoming Grade 8 students may be granted admission into Mathematics 9 using a combination of the following criteria:

1. Earning an A (86% or greater) on the Grade 8 Mathematics Challenge Exam
2. Recommendation of Grade 7 mathematics teacher

The Mathematics Challenge Exam is scheduled for May 23, 2019. Please email our current mathematics HOD (andy.barron@stmc.bc.ca) for exam information and registration.

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Sr. Level French - Incoming Grade 8 students coming from French Immersion programs will be granted admission into a Sr. Level French course using a combination of the following criteria:

1. Recommendation of Grade 7 French Immersion teacher
2. Grade 8 French Challenge Exam Final Mark

The French Challenge Exam is scheduled for May 9, 2019. Please email our current French HOD (rose.astorino@stmc.bc.ca) for exam information and registration.

C. Select either 1 of the following Elective Courses:

Band 8 and Choir 8 classes are FULL YEAR courses and cannot be taken along with other electives.

- Band 8 (Full-Year Elective)
- Choir 8 (Full-Year Elective)

OR

Select 3 of the following Elective Courses:

The following classes are $\frac{1}{3}$ Year Elective courses.

- Design & Technology 8 ($\frac{1}{3}$ Year Elective)
- Drama 8 ($\frac{1}{3}$ Year Elective)
- Visual Art 8 ($\frac{1}{3}$ Year Elective)
- Woodworking 8 ($\frac{1}{3}$ Year Elective)

D. Outside of Timetable Elective Courses – *These auditioned courses will run before OR after school.*

Admission to the following courses is by **audition** ONLY. Students MUST be enrolled already in the on-timetable full-year Band or Choir Elective. *Please see Mr. Shoemaker for permission and information on how to audition.*

- Chamber Choir 8
- Jazz Band 8

Contact Mr. Shoemaker, Head of the Fine & Applied Arts Department to enquire about our outside of the timetable Performing Arts courses. ethan.shoemaker@stmc.bc.ca