

LIFE SKILLS 8

LS200 Grade Level 8 Credits 1.000

Tech Ed with Home Ec provides Life Skills 8 to all Grade 8's. This course permits students to survey five subject areas. The Tech Ed portion includes three components. DRAFTING offers 3D Digital Media & Design, offering an opportunity to explore a variety of visual techniques which can include pencil sketching, 2D AutoCAD, 3D computer mesh modeling, animation and simple 3D Computer Dynamics. WOODWORK is centered around the Woodie Whistle project which involves the safe use of hand tools and several machines. METALWORK introduces safely working with hand and machine tools in the metal shop as students make a billet aluminum ring. The Home Ec portion includes TEXTILES, introducing safe and correct use of the sewing machine in making boxer shorts as a simple machine project, as well as learning basic hand stitches in creating a "felt mouse" pincushion. FOODS introduces nutrition and basic skills in food preparation. Evaluation is based on theory as well as labs. Labs do vary, but always include cinnamon buns and pizza!

ENGLISH 8 (HUMANITIES)

EN200H Grade Level 8 Credits 1.000

Humanities 8 replaces the student's English and Social Studies courses. This required course deals with the content and skills of Social Studies while covering all English skills for Grade 8. Studies will be based around major themes with stories and novels assigned to support these themes. The structure of the course lends itself to an approach that stresses productive thinking skills, cooperative learning and the writing process.

FRENCH 8

LA200 Grade Level 8 Credits 1.000

This course starts by reviewing the knowledge and skills learned in elementary school, so as to make students feel confident and comfortable as they progress on to the textbook, Ca Marche. This is a theme-based textbook designed to challenge students with a variety of activities that encourage reading, writing, listening and speaking. Topics explored include: school life, activities, time travel, essential introductory phrases and the family.

PRINCIPLES OF MATH 8

MA200 Grade Level 8 Credits 1.000

PREREQUISITE-Successful completion of Math 7

COURSE

CONTENT-Ratios, Rates, Proportions, Percent, Area, Volume, Fractions, Integers, Linear Relations and Equations, Probability.

PHYSICAL AND HEALTH EDUCATION 8

PE200 Grade Level 8 Credits 1.000

This course is an activity program involving skill development, fitness, conditioning with a strong emphasis on participation which is the affective domain. The affective domain includes the characteristics of: responsibility, cooperation, sportsmanship, attitude and leadership that are essential to success in the course. Students will be evaluated on a daily basis. Activities such as volleyball, fitness activities, badminton, minor games, softball, active health and football are some of the activities offered throughout the year.

SCIENCE 8

SC200 Grade Level 8 Credits 1.000

This general science course is a required course in the B.C. curriculum of studies. Topics include four big ideas: Cells are a basic unit of life; The kinetic molecular theory and the theory of the atom explain the behaviour of matter; Energy can be transferred as both

a particle and a wave; The theory of plate tectonics is the unifying theory that explains Earth's geological processes.

SOCIALS 8 (HUMANITIES)

SS200H Grade Level 8 Credits 1.000

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ASSIGNMENTS/ACTIVITIES-The structure of the course lends to an approach that stresses productive thinking skills, cooperative learning and the writing process.

ABORIGINAL STUDIES 08

AS250 Grade Level 8 Credits 1.000

This course focuses on the oral and artistic expression of Aboriginal cultures. It also deals with Aboriginal traditions, issues and customs, both pre- and post-European settlement. Aboriginal Studies is a graded elective.

BEGINNER BAND 8 (FULL YEAR)

MU200B Grade Level 8 Credits 1.000

GENERAL INFORMATION: This course is designed for students wishing to learn a Band instrument. Students may provide their own instruments through "rent to own" program or purchase from local music store (the school will help facilitate this). Some instruments will be available through the school on a needs basis but those using school instruments will be limited in their choice of instruments. In this course students will learn basic performance skills, music theory and learn how to be a member of an ensemble. There are mandatory group performances throughout the year. No previous musical experience is necessary, but a minimum of 1 hour of home practice per week is expected.

INTERMEDIATE BAND 8 (FULL YEAR)

MU200I Grade Level 8 Credits 1.000

INTERMEDIATE-This is a course for Grade 8 students with at least one full year of recent Band experience (or equivalent) and should contact the director to determine if this is an appropriate placement. The skills learned at the Beginner level are expanded through playing more complex music. A student usually remains at the Intermediate level for two or more years until he/she has acquired sufficient skills to move into Senior Concert Band. Students will have a minimum of one hour of home practice per week.

CHORAL MUSIC 8: CONCERT CHOIR

MU220 Grade Level 8 Credits 1.000

(after school)

This course is open to all students who like to sing. Previous choral experience is not required. This is a group choral experience with emphasis placed on musical interpretation, correct vocal production and learning to sing within an ensemble. Because the choir is performance-oriented, students are given the opportunity to perform in school concerts, as well as to travel both locally and abroad to enrich their choral experience. THIS COURSE WILL BE OFFERED AFTER SCHOOL 2 DAYS PER WEEK. STUDENTS SHOULD SELECT THIS COURSE IN ADDITION TO THEIR 8 COURSES.