

MARY BUTTERWORTH SCHOOL

OPTION SELECTIONS FOR GRADE 9 STUDENTS

General information for each course is described below. Students will choose courses from both Option A and Option B.

Option A courses consist of either full year Music Instrumental (Band) or trimester courses.

Option B courses are offered once a week in a double block. Option B consists of trimester courses. Trimester courses are three in a year, each course will run for about 13 weeks.

Please Note: Course fees are required for enrollment in these options. By selecting these courses, you agree to pay the fee assigned for each option.

OPTION A COURSES

ART 9

FEE \$20

Students develop a repertoire of approaches to record visual information and to experience a variety of techniques, design elements and media. They may use clay, plaster, tempera paint, watercolours, acrylics, ink, metal, wire, paper maché, charcoal, printing ink, etc. Students apply analytical and critical skills when responding to works of art.

BAND 9 (MUSIC INSTRUMENTAL) 9 - FULL YEAR

FEE \$100

Have you ever wanted to play in a band? Now is your chance to learn to play one of your favourite musical instruments, right along with your friends! If you join the band, you'll be part of a group of students who perform together at various functions. At MBS you can learn to play one or more of the following instruments: flute, clarinet, bass clarinet, alto, tenor or baritone saxophone, trumpet, trombone, baritone, tuba or percussion. The fee covers the instrument rental for the year.

COMMERCIAL ART 9

FEE \$20

This option provides students with a hands-on, practical application of artistic skills. This course challenges students to be creative while learning the basic skills necessary to prepare work for reproduction. Projects include typography, graphic design, poster design, greeting cards, illustration, cartooning and interior design. Projects are designed to allow students artistic creativity while learning the basic skills and vocabulary of a graphic artist. This option may be taken concurrently with Art 8.

EXPLORATION OF FILM 9

FEE \$0

This course will allow students to develop their photographic skills, create videos, use editing software, and analyze films and their promotional materials. They will learn about different career options related to the study of film, and select projects that allow them to explore their interests.

LEADERSHIP 9**FEE \$0**

Students in this option participate in hands-on activities to promote positive school culture. In the Grade 9 Leadership option, students continue to develop their Learning to Lead foundations; organizational skills and cooperation are stressed.

STRATEGIC GAMES 9**FEE \$10**

The focus of Strategic Games is to provide students with an opportunity to learn and master games requiring strategy. Through game play, students develop analytical skills and improve cooperation with peers. During this course students will develop their own individual games.

YEARBOOK 9**FEE \$0**

This option will focus on the creation and production of the MBS Yearbook. Students will develop skills in creating effective page layouts, proofing and editing. In addition, photography skills such as framing, editing and cropping techniques will also be a component of the course.

OPTION B COURSES

CONSTRUCTION 9**FEE \$50**

Students learn about blueprints, measuring, project layout, and basic hand tools. Students learn to work safely while they learn about tools and machinery. Students will have the opportunity to create projects to take home.

COSMETOLOGY 9**FEE \$20**

Students will explore the areas of nail art, hair styling, and make-up application taking their skills further and learning about special effects make-up, formal up-dos, and more intricate beauty looks. Students will have the opportunity to both provide and receive services in these areas to learn the basic skills.

DOCUMENTARY FILM STUDIES**FEE \$0**

Documentary Film Studies is the exploration of film and media art as an artistic form of expression. This option will provide innovative and unique ways for students to engage in the study of this art form as well as the technological and literary aspects of the medium. The literary and storytelling aspects of documentary film cross over with Language Arts and the technological skills fall within CTS. To achieve the learning outcomes, students will respond to the guiding questions through creative practice.

FOOD STUDIES 9**FEE \$35**

Students will be offered introductory level modules to help build daily life skills. Safe food handling, safety in the kitchen, basic cooking principles and the importance of well managed workstations will be covered. Students will prepare a large variety of food products from the three food groups, with emphasis placed on the importance of following Canada's Food Guide for nutritionally balanced meals and wise food choices.

MEDIA LITERACY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

FEE \$0

In this option, we will explore our place in the world in two different ways. The first focus for this class will be examining the underlying messages we receive through social media. Everyday we are inundated with images from TV, movies, video games, YouTube, magazines, apps, social media, and advertisements. We will look at various media sources and analyze their content to see what the true message is building a media literacy framework. The second focus for this class will be community engagement. We will be fostering a community of care - "I have something to offer others". Do you enjoy meeting and helping others and giving of your talents and skills? Do you wish to get some experience volunteering? Activities may include visiting with seniors and caring for the environment. Your ideas will also be valued!

OUTDOOR EDUCATION 9

FEE \$125

The OE program includes field trips and activities that provide a basis for future growth of the individual. As this option has many activities, students must be willing to participate in all aspects of the program. The course focuses on outdoor leisure activities and environmental issues. Activities may include fall, winter, spring and summer outdoor activities, such as canoeing, survival skills, orienteering, outdoor adventure games, cross-country skiing, and environmental studies.

SPORTS PERFORMANCE 9

FEE \$50

This course is intended to provide learning opportunities for students involved in sport and activity with knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to understand the variety of factors related to sport performance. This will be accomplished through a combination of theory and practical exposure to various areas of training. Students will study basic athletic training concepts and sports nutrition. There is a classroom component to this course and students will be off-site for a number of activities that may include trips to local sports performance centers and recreation facilities.