

Course Selection 2025-2026



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Grade 12 Course Selection

AGENDA

- **TODAY:** Presentation on your options & time to ask Q's
- Source of Info for Courses: Please see the *Vic High Course Handbook* and *Pre-requisite List* on Vic High's website.
- Fill in your TENTATIVE choices
- Take sheet home to discuss with parents/guardians
- Bring your completed form to **C block** on **Tuesday, February 25**

Questions Today...

- ❖ We love Questions! 😊
- ❖ Please make a note of your questions and wait until the end of the presentation.
- ❖ Ask your teacher, who can enter the question into CHAT or ask it for you
- ❖ More Q's? See your school counsellor, ELL case manager (Ms. McTavish) or inclusive ed case manager

Vic High's Sources of Course Information

COURSE SELECTION

2025/26 Course Selection:

Grades 10-12:

Grade 10-12 Course Selection Handbook 2025-2026: [Grades 10-12 Course Handbook 2025-2026](#) 



Grade 10-12 Electives [Grades 10-12 Electives List 2025-2026](#) 

Prerequisites 2025-2026: [2025-2026 Prerequisites List](#) 



Grade 10 Course Selection

- Grade 10 Course Selection [ENG Grade 10 2025 2026](#) 
- Grade 10 Course Selection – French Immersion [FRIM Grade 10 2025 2026](#) 

Grade 11 Course Selection

- Grade 11 Course Selection [ENG Grade 11 2025 2026](#) 
- Grade 11 Course Selection- French Immersion [FRIM Grade 11 2025 2026](#) 

Grade 12 Course Selection

- Grade 12 Course Selection [ENG Grade 12 2025 2026](#) 
- Grade 12 Course Selection- French Immersion [FRIM Grade 12 2025 2026](#) 

Grade 9:

1. Click on *Programs & Courses* on the top tab of Vic High's main page
2. Click on *Course Selection*
3. Click on *Course Handbook* or *Prerequisites*

Vic High's Course Selection Handbook

Victoria High School

COURSE SELECTION
2025 / 2026



Course Prerequisites

Examples:

COURSE	PREREQUISITE
All English Language Arts classes	Completion of the previous grade in English (e.g. English 9 is a prerequisite for English 10)
All Socials 12 classes	Completion of Socials 10 <u>and</u> in Grade 11 or 12
Anatomy & Physiology 12	Science 10 <u>and</u> in Grade 11 or 12
Art Metal & Jewelry 12	In Grade 11 or 12
Art Studio 11	In Grade 11/12 <u>or</u> with Visual Arts 10, or permission of instructor
Art Studio 12	Any Art 11 course or permission of instructor
Astronomy 11	Science 10

Many Grade 12 classes have prerequisites

Review of BC's Graduation Requirements



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ Required courses in Grades 10, 11 and 12
- ✓ Credits – minimum 80 credits to graduate (20 courses)
 - 16 credits (four courses) must be at a Grade 12 level
- ✓ Assessments (Num 10, Lit 10, Lit 12, *Evaluation de littératie* 12)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Other requirements:

- One Grade 10-12 ADST or AE course (e.g., Art, Computers, Trades, Cooking...etc.)
- One Indigenous focused course

INDIGENOUS FOCUSED COURSE OPTIONS at Vic High

- English First Peoples 11
- English First Peoples 12
- Contemporary Indigenous Studies
12

Students must take one of the above in either Grades 11 or 12

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Required Courses: Grade 10

- an English 10
 - + *Français Langue 10* - FRIM students only
- Socials 10
 - or *Sciences Humaines 10* - FRIM
- a Science 10
- a Math 10
- Physical & Health Education 10 or
PHE 10 Fit for Life or

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Required Courses: in Grade 11

- a Language Arts 11
 - + *Français Langue 11-FRIM students only*
- a Socials 11 or 12
- a Math 11
- a Science 11 or 12
- Career Life Education 10 or
Education au choix de carrière.....10
(FRIM students)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Required Courses: Grade 12

- An English Studies 12
+ Français Langue 12 (FRIM students)
- _____ 12
- _____ 12
- _____ 12
- Career Life Connections & Capstone
*or Liens avec la vie Personnelle et
Professionnelle – (FRIM)*

More Key Points

If you don't complete a course required for graduation, it will not go away...

- *Select the required course as one of your electives (e.g. an English 11)*
- *You may also take the Grade 12 corresponding course in the same year (e.g. an English 12)*

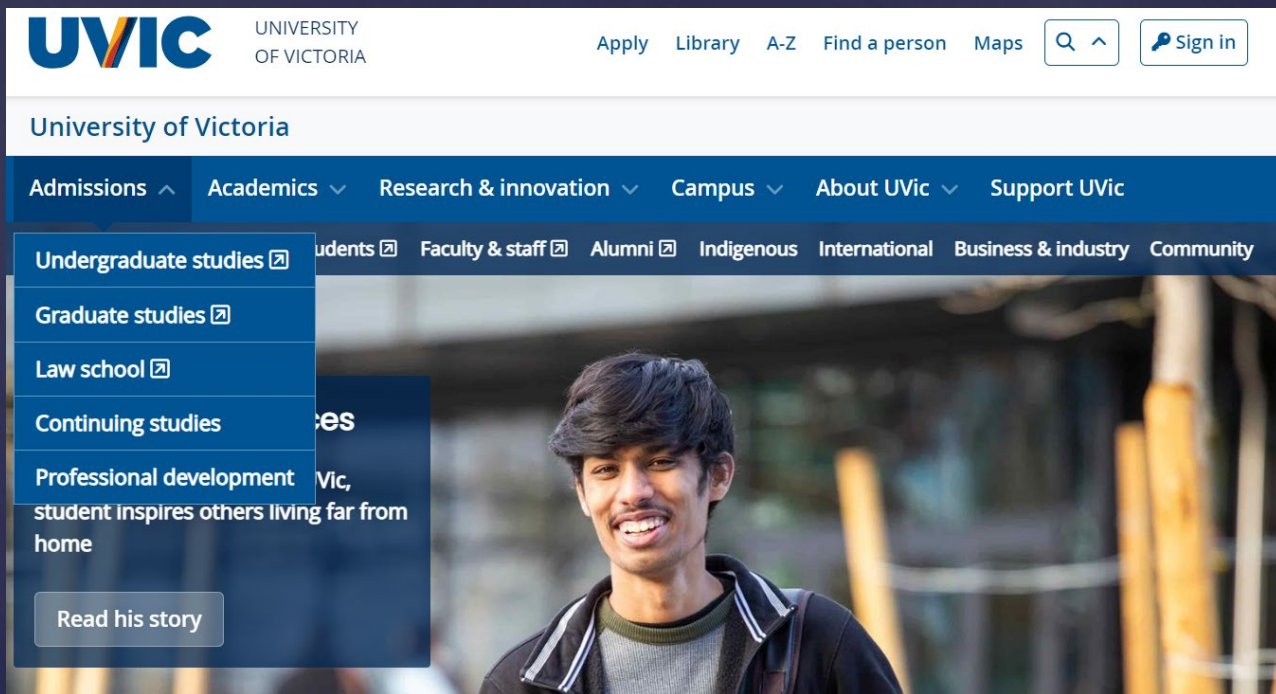
Post-Secondary Considerations

- Required Grade 12 courses vary widely between programs and between post-secondaries
- Universities (competitive entry): Generally, require an English 12 plus 3-5 Approved Grade 12 Academic Courses; programs may have specific course requirements (e.g., Nursing, Engineering, Business, Science etc.)
- Camosun College: requires English 12 C+ and then program specific courses. Some programs have competitive entry (e.g., Registered Nursing)
- Camosun also offers upgrading and university transfer courses
- Some programs require supplemental applications and/or portfolios

DO YOUR POST-SEC. RESEARCH CAREFULLY!

How do I research post-secondary requirements?

- Start by going to the institution's home page and clicking on admissions, and then undergraduate studies





Grade 12
Course Planning 2025 / 2026

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

Student # _____ HR # _____

See the Course Handbook on the school website under "Quick Links" www.vichigh.sd61.bc.ca

Graduation Requirements

✓ Courses		✓ Courses	
Language Arts 10	(4)	Physical & Health Education 10	(4)
Language Arts 11	(4)	Arts Education/Applied Design, Skills & Technologies	(4)
Language Arts 12	(4)	Career Life Education 10	(4)
Social Studies 10	(4)	Career Life Connections + Capstone 12	(4)
a Social Studies 12	(4)	Electives	(28)
Science 10	(4)	Numeracy Assessment 10	(0)
a Science 11 or 12	(4)	Literacy Assessment 10	(0)
a Mathematics 10	(4)	Literacy Assessment 12	(0)
a Mathematics 11 or 12	(4)	Indigenous focused Graduation Requirement	(0)

REQUIRED: From the INSIDE TIMETABLE courses, please Select 8 Courses + 2 Back-Up Courses
In the Blanks, fill in the Course # from Reverse & Course Name & Grade Level

Select one of: 1. <input type="checkbox"/> English Studies 12 OR <input type="checkbox"/> English First Peoples 12**		4
**Satisfies Indigenous focused Graduation Requirement		
2. # _____ 12 - Course Name _____		4
3. # _____ 12 - Course Name _____		4
4. # _____ 12 - Course Name _____		4
5. <input type="checkbox"/> Career Life Education - (must select if not already completed CLE)		4
6. 1 st Elective - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____		4
7. 2 nd Elective - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____		4
8. 3 rd Elective - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____		4
(Choose this ONLY if CLE 10 has been COMPLETED)		
9. 4 th Elective - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____		
1 st Back-up - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____		
2 nd Back-up - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____		

(Required: CLC) OPTIONAL: You can select additional courses that run OUTSIDE the Timetable
In the Blanks, fill in the Course # from Reverse & Course Name & Grade Level

☒ Career Life Connections & Capstone 12 (outside of timetable)

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Course Selection
Sheet:

- For **Electives**
write the
COURSE NAME
and **COURSE**
CODE (see the
back of the form)

Key Points

- **You must choose eight** courses in the timetable and **two alternates**
- You may request a study block in September
- ***Change your mind later?***
Course Selection Verifications will be given to students prior to Spring Break. Adjustments can be made then via an online form.

Language Arts 12 Options

One of the following is required to graduate:

- English Studies 12
- English First Peoples 12 (meets Indigenous focused course requirement)

ALL options are recognized equally by Canadian colleges and universities

- *French Immersion students also take Français Langue 12*

Language Arts 12

ELECTIVES

- Creative Writing 12
- Literary Studies 12

These options don't satisfy the English graduation requirement, but are great high interest electives

ELL Students

If English is NOT your first language, there may be language support classes that can be added to your schedule.

See your ELL support teacher (Ms. McTavish)

If you know you'd like an ELL support block, simply request "ELL Class" as an Elective choice

Social Studies 11/12 Options

One of the following is required to grad:

- Asian Studies
- Comparative World Religions 12
- Contemporary Indigenous Studies 12 (*meets Indigenous focused course requirement*)
- Human Geography 12
- Political Studies 12
- Law 12
- 20th Century History

Other Social Studies Courses:

These options don't satisfy the Socials graduation requirement but are great high interest electives:

- *Criminology 12*
- *Psychology 11*

Math 11 Options

One of the following is required to graduate:

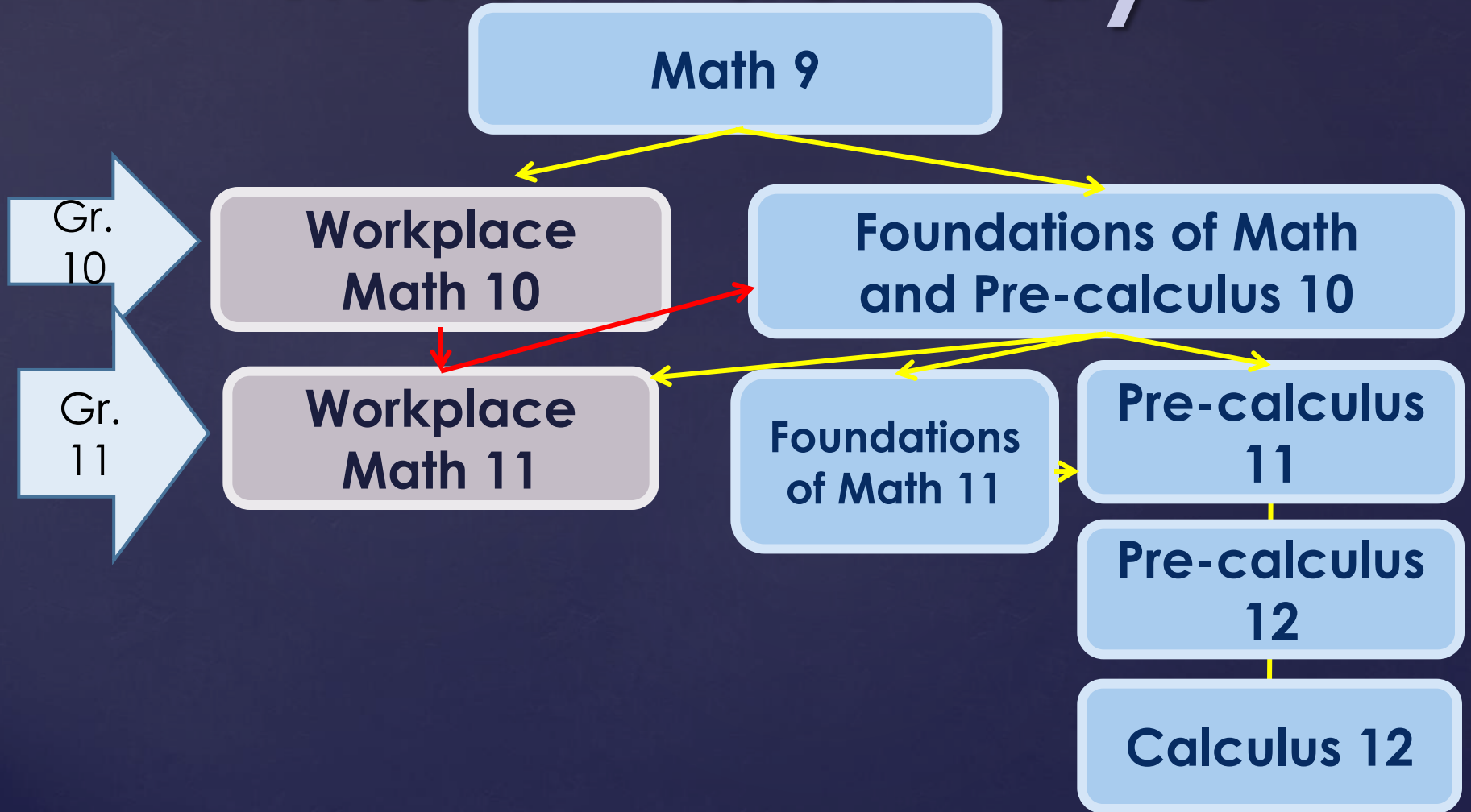
- **Workplace Math 11:** meets general college admission requirements
- **Foundations of Math 11:** meets admission requirements for many university programs at many, but not all, universities
- **Pre-calculus Math 11:** necessary for several programs (at university or college), such as Business, Math, Science, Engineering, Computer Science, some Medical Programs etc.
- **Do your post-secondary research!**

Choosing Math 12

- Math 12 - NOT required for graduation
- Precal. 11 is a prerequisite for Precal. 12
- Pre-cal. 12 is required for some post-secondary programs (e.g., Sciences, Maths, Health Sciences, Engineering, Business etc.)
- Calculus 12 – most university programs don't require it, but, do our post-secondary research carefully!



Math Pathways

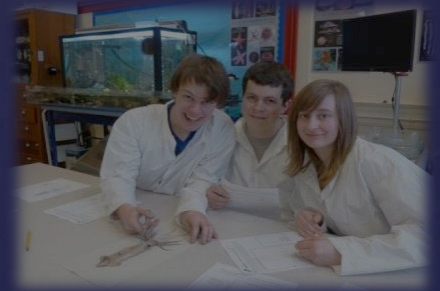


Science 11/12 Options

One of the following required to grad:

- Chemistry 11 (Foundations of Math and Pre-cal. required)
- Physics 11 (strong results in FMP 10 required)
- Life Sciences 11
- Environmental Sciences 11
- Science for Citizens 11
- Anatomy & Physiology 12

These all satisfy the Science Grad requirement.



Science 11/12 Options

- *Chemistry 12 (Chem. 11 required)*
- *Physics 12 (Physics 11 required)*
- *Anatomy & Physiology 12*
- *These all satisfy the Science Grad requirement.*



Other Science 11/12 Courses

These options don't satisfy the Science graduation requirement, but are great high interest electives:

- *Astronomy 11*
- *Marine Biology 12*

Career Education

Two required courses:

- In Grade 11 students take Career Life Education 10 or *Education au Choix de Carrière..(FRIM)*
- In **Grade 12** students take Career Life Connections or *Liens avec la vie...(FRIM)*

Out of timetable course

- Next Steps (planning for your future)
- Mentor Interview
- Capstone Project
- 30 hours Experiential Learning

Choosing Electives

- An elective is any course not required for graduation (academic and non-academic)
- Many Grade 12 classes have prerequisites. Check course pre-requisites (on VHS website) carefully
- Write the **name of the course** and the **course number**

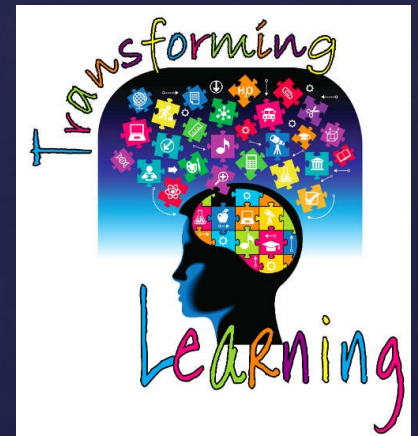


In Timetable Electives:

So many great choices:

arts, business, drama, pe 11/12, outdoor ed,
science and socials classes, yoga, trades
courses, robotics, dual credit courses, career
programs, computers, languages, writing,
dance, cooking, some music courses, textiles,
fashion, hair, photography etc.!

SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN
SOMETHING NEW!



Outside the Timetable Electives*

Courses offered in the morning/ lunch/ after school

- *Community Leadership*
- *Musical Theatre and Theatre Production*
- *Many band/vocal music options*
- *Yearbook 11/12*
- *Scholarship Preparation*
- *Work Experience 12 (register in September)*

*Outside Timetable courses are denoted by an * on your course selection electives list*

More Course Options....

- District Career Programs
- Dual Credit Courses/Programs



District *Career Programs*

What are District Career programs?

- ✓ A collection of courses taken in one career area
- ✓ Usually, these courses are taken at one of the high schools in Victoria for an entire semester
- ✓ Some courses may be held during the summer months
- ✓ All require applications

See Sam Spetter in the Career Centre

Some Examples of District Career Programs:

- **TASK:** Trades Exploration Gr.11 or 12 Sem.2 at Lambrick
- **Hair Styling Program:** Gr.11 & 12 at Vic High
- **Auto Tech:** Gr.11 or 12 Sem. 2 at Esquimalt
- **Graphic Design:** Summer Program (before Gr. 11 or Gr. 12)
- **Tourism & Leadership:** Summer Program (before Gr. 11 or 12)
- & more...



District Career Programs cont'd...

- For options see the back of your course form under **Skilled Trades Program**
- **Put a checkmark** in the box of any of the programs you might be interested in

See Sam, Mr. Wheeler or Ms. McDiarmid in the Career Centre for more information



Dual Credit Post-Secondary Opportunities:

A chance to earn BOTH high school and post secondary credits in Grade 12

- ❑ You become a Camosun/UVic student
- ❑ You take a post-secondary course or program (tuition is covered) while a high school student
- ❑ You do pay for texts and student fees



Dual Credit Post-Secondary

Most classes happen on-campus at UVic or Camosun

- Camosun – many offerings
- UVIC has uSTART- take a university level course while in Grade 12



Dual Credit at Camosun

Some options are:

- Trades
- Computer Tech
- Business Administration
- Legal Office Assistant
- Interactive Media Developer
- Indigenous Family Support Worker
- Health Care Assistant
- Professional Cook etc.
- Single courses in a wide variety of academic areas

See Samantha in the Career Centre



Dual Credit at UVIC (U-start)

- *U-START is an* opportunity for highly academic students to take a university course at UVIC, while in Grade 12
- Application required
- See Ms. Spetter for more information



Dual Credit Criminology 12 & Crim 166 (Camosun) at Vic High

- In timetable at Vic High in semester 2 of your **Grade 12** year
- Students receive Credit for
Criminology 12 AND
Criminology 166 (Camosun) = 8 credits



OPEN TO GRADE 12 STUDENTS ONLY

- Co-taught by Mr. Wallace & a Camosun Criminology Instructor

Dual Credit Criminology 12 & Criminology 166 at Vic High

- Application is required
- Information Session with Mr. Wallace/Mr. Bradley – at lunch Wed Feb. 19 and Thurs. Feb 20 in Room 308
- Admission requires a C+ in English 12 or English First Peoples 12 by the end of Semester 1 of 2025/2026



Dual Credit Political Studies 12 & Political Science 105 (Camosun) at Vic High

- In timetable at Vic High in semester 2 of your **Grade 12** year
- Students receive Credit for
Political Studies 12 AND
Political Science 105 (Camosun) = 8 credits



OPEN TO GRADE 12 STUDENTS ONLY

- Co-taught by Mr. Bradley & a Camosun Political Science Instructor

Dual Credit Political Studies 12 & Political Science 105 (Camosun) at Vic High

- Application is required
- Information Session with Mr. Wallace/
Mr. Bradley – **at lunch Wed Feb. 19 and
Thurs. Feb. 20 in Room 308**
- Admission requires a C+ in English 12 or
English First Peoples 12 by the end of
Semester 1 of 2024/2025





Reminders

- ✓ Select 8 courses in timetable and two alternates
- ✓ Check the Course Handbook for course descriptions (VHS website)
- ✓ Check PREREQUISITES for Gr. 11/12 courses (on VHS website)
- ✓ Include any required courses for graduation not completed this year

Reminders

- ✓ Put a check mark beside any District Career Programs (back of the form) you are interested in
- ✓ Bring your completed form back on Tuesday February 25 in C block

Questions



- See your school counsellor: Mr. Hamilton A-I & International Students and Ms. Manning J-Z



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