Grade 9 Elective Courses – As described by the Teachers

ADA1O1 – Dramatic Arts

- Gain friends and social skills from co-operative games
- Develop confidence to share ideas and speak socially through low-risk group improvisations
- Learn how to relax through games and performance techniques
- Experience various theatre skills in a non-threatening environment

AMG1O1- Guitar

- Students will learn how to play guitar
- No prior musical experience is required - you do not need to know how to read music
- Students with previous experience can still take this course to further develop their musicality
- Provides students with the opportunity to play both individually and in a group setting
- Creates opportunities to get involved in extra-curricular activities at the school

AMU1O1 – Instrumental Music

- Learn how to play a band instrument
- NO previous background required – you do not need to know how to read music
- Students with previous musical experience still take this course to learn how to play a band instrument
- Creates opportunities to get involved in extracurricular activities in the school

AMV1O1 – Vocal Music

- Singing, singing, singing.
- Allows students to sing in a choir setting with others who are interested in singing. Introduce harmony and melody.
- NO previous background required – you do not need to know how to read music
- Students with previous musical experience still take this course to increase their confidence
- Creates opportunities to get involved in extracurricular activities in the school

AVI1O1 – Visual Arts

- Drawing - learn how to draw, or get better at it
- Painting - learn to paint and use colour.
- Sculpture - proper clay handling while making various forms
- Print Making – introduction to print-making using linoleum
- History and Criticism - learn how to look at and talk about Art!

BBI1OH/BTT1OH – Introduction to Information Technology

- A half credit in Information Tech and another half credit in Intro to Business
- Help yourself to impress teachers, employers and college/university professors by learning to EFFECTIVELY use Word, Excel, and Publisher
- Daily use of computers
- Introduction to marketing, accounting, entrepreneurship and personal finance

PAL1O1 – Hockey Skills Academy

- Provides opportunity to develop hockey specific skills including stick and puck handling, passing, shooting, skating speed and various offensive and defensive strategies
- Three hours of on ice training, plus one hour of hockey specific weight training principles per week
- In class / gym days include mental health, nutrition and CPR certification

PPL1OG (Girls) or PPL1O1 (Co-Ed) – Physical Education

- Ski-trip, bowling, ropes course, and biking just to name a few!
- Chance to meet new friends, engage in new games and activities
- Course is participation based

TXJ1O1 – Exploring Hairstyling & Aesthetics

- Current trends, & careers and aromatherapy in the Salon and Spa
- Shampoo, blow dry, hot tools, braiding, up dos, hair & scalp treatments
- Manicuring & pedicuring; Facials; Waxing

TIJ1O1 – Exploring Hospitality and Design

- Students will learn how to create a healthy menu following Canada's Food Guide
- Students will prep, cook and present their final menu to share with the class
- Students will explore basic concepts of innovative 21st Century design
- Students will be engaged in a variety of hands-on design projects

TCJ1O1 – Exploring Construction

- Students will design and create their own products
- Students will work with a variety of tools used in the industry
- Students will explore various careers related to construction and woodworking