

Welcome to the Course Planner on Career Cruising for Grimsby Secondary School

What is it?

The Course Planner allows you to create and store your high school education plan by recording the courses you have taken, and plan to take in the future. With help from your guidance department, this education plan will help you organize your courses to meet your career goals.

What to consider?

There are lots of factors you need to consider when putting together your education plan. What level of education do you need to pursue your career goals? What subject areas are important for your career path? You need to choose courses that will meet the requirements of the post-secondary programs you want to enter after high school. If you are planning on attending university, you will need more academic/university level courses. If you are planning on college to apprenticeship training, then you may want to take more applied/college level courses.

No matter what careers you are interested in, you need to ensure that your education plan fulfills your high school's graduation requirements.

How do I access the Course Planner?

- Step 1.** Go to www.grimsbyeagles.com and go to the Guidance link
- Step 2.** Click on the "Career Cruising" link
- Step 3.** Enter your username and password (found on your personal "ACCESS CARD" attached)
- Step 4.** Choose the blue button, "Course Planner" tab on the left side

You will now see your personalized Course Planner. This represents a chart of all available years at G.S.S. Past courses and marks will be seen under the years you have already completed. Use your mouse to hover or click on a course code to see the full course descriptions.

The years with empty slots are areas where you can add courses to your planner. The yellow slots represent a collection of required courses that you must choose from. This is set to ensure that you will meet graduation requirements. The year that has a dashed box around it represents next year's course selection. You will be required to submit these course selections within given dates in February. When you submit your courses, your selections get locked and your parent or guardian will sign the printed authorization sheet. You can view your authorization sheet at any time by clicking on the printer icon at the top right of the Planner.

How do I add a required course (yellow slots)?

- Step 1.** Click on the plus (+) icon of an empty slot.
- Step 2.** You will see all the related courses that are offered under that discipline. You can hover or click on the course codes for more information on other courses. You will only be able to select from the courses that are required.
- Step 3.** When you hover or click on a course code you will also see the pre-requisite requirements for the course.
- Step 4.** Select a course by clicking on the plus (+) icon.

How do I add an elective course (white slots)?

- Step 1.** Click on the plus (+) icon of an empty white slot.
- Step 2.** Choose a selection criteria: Select By Discipline - This is a customized list that will help you to choose courses that we are planning to offer at Grimsby Secondary School.
- Step 3.** You will see all the related courses that are offered under that discipline. You can hover or click on the course codes for more information on other courses.
- Step 4.** When you hover or click on a course code you will also see the pre-requisite requirements for the course.
- Step 5.** If you have specific careers that you have saved to your portfolio, then you will see a "Careers That Interest Me" option list at the bottom of your course list. Select a career and click of the binocular icon to see more information on that specific career.
- Step 6.** Select a course by clicking on the plus (+) icon.

What do I do next?

- Be sure to complete all course selections for your upcoming year.
- Make sure you discuss any areas of concern with a guidance counsellor.
- Submit my course selections for next year once you ensure paper is available in the printer
- A copy of your course selection will be printed automatically when you submit, sign it and have it signed by a parent or guardian
- Return the signed form to your homeroom teacher by **Wednesday, March 3, 2010**

Any other concerns please contact the Guidance department @ 905.945.5416