



November 16th 2023

GRADE 8 OPEN HOUSE

Sherwood Secondary School



Land Acknowledgement



The Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board acknowledges our presence on ancestral Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee Confederacy land as determined by the Dish with One Spoon treaty.

The intent of this agreement is for all nations sharing this territory to do so responsibly, respectfully and sustainably in perpetuity.

We respect the longstanding relationships with the local Indigenous communities, the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River.

HWDSB

Our Team



Ms. Ayeni

Principal



Ms.
Alexandre

Vice Principal



Ms. McNeill

Vice Principal



Ms. Vander
Vliet

Head of
Guidance



Mr. Sillet and
Ms. Oliver

Student
Success

Introduction by Admin



Supports at Sherwood



Homework Club
An hour after school
3x a week



Janet Baker
Social Worker



Nancy Leach
Mentoring EA



Monique Pitt
Black Graduation
Coach



BLACK GRAD COACH

The Graduation Coach Program for Black Students is designed to support academic excellence.

Be more engaged in school

The Grad Coach provides culturally responsive mentorship and advocacy for Black students to improve their mental health, well-being, and academic achievement.

This looks like: Joining the Black Student Association, having lunch with other new students in the Grad Coach room, joining our book club or attending field trips.

This program offers students new opportunities to:

Be better supported in achieving their academic goals

Connect with community and school resources

This looks like: Getting to know about the different community spaces created for Black students – You can even help out and get your 40 community service hours with them! If you need any extra supplies, you can always check in with the grad coach to see what's available.

This looks like: Getting one on one support from the grad coach or getting linked to a Black mentor. In the future we can also get you connected with Scholarships for Black Students.

Understanding Course Codes

Course Type

D = Academic **P** = Applied
O = Open **L** = Locally Developed
C = College **U** = University
W = Grade 9 Program **E** =
I = French Immersion (for Workplace end)

Grade Level

1 = Grade 9
2 = Grade 10
3 = Grade 11
4 = Grade 12

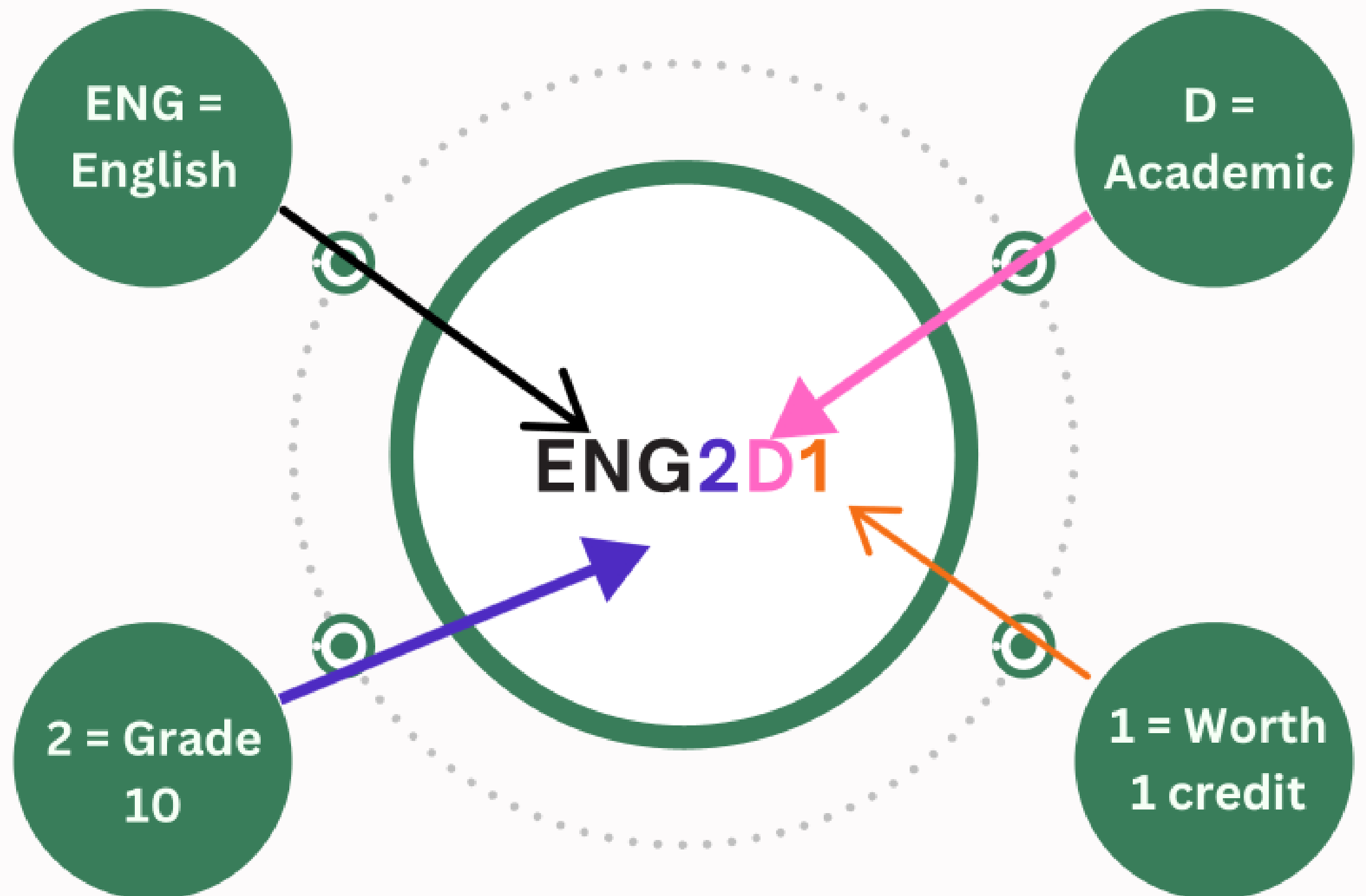
Department

ENG = English, CGC = Geography
SNC = Science, FSF = French
MTH = Math, PAL = Phys Ed
AMU = Music, ADA = Drama, AVI = Art
TIJ = Tech

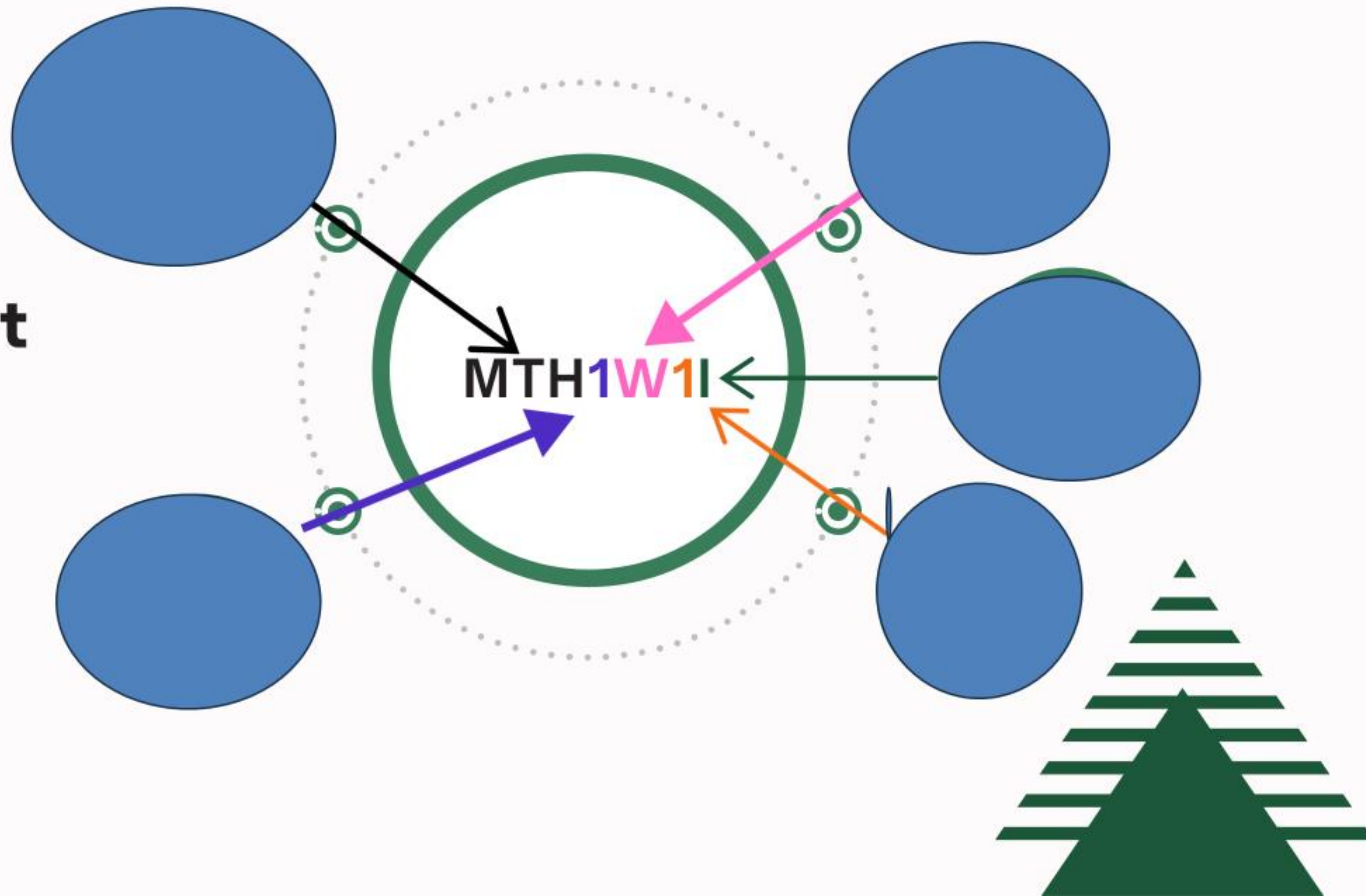
Credit Value

The 6th character indicates the credit value of the course

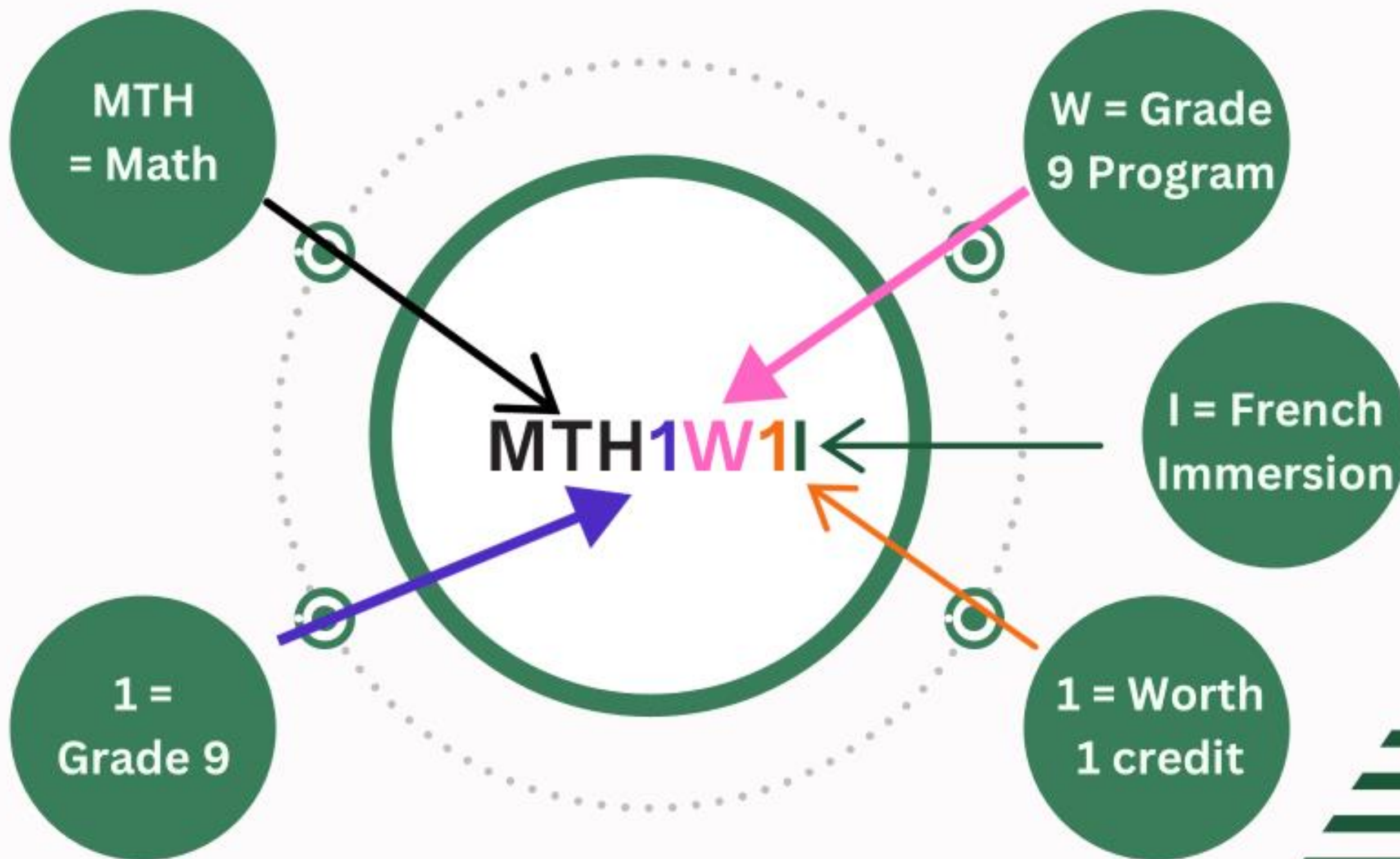
- 1 = 1 credit
- 3 = 0.5 credit
- 4 = 0.5 credit
- 6 = 1 coop credit
- 8 = 2 coop credits



**Give it
a Try!**



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SHERWOOD PROGRAMS

Clubs and Team

French Immersion (FI)

Specialist High Skills Majors:

- Health and Wellness
- FI Non-Profit
- Construction
- Transportation
- Arts and Culture

Repertoire Bands

Engaging Learning Commons

Student Success Hub



Departments

English

Math

Modern Languages

Music

French Immersion

The Arts

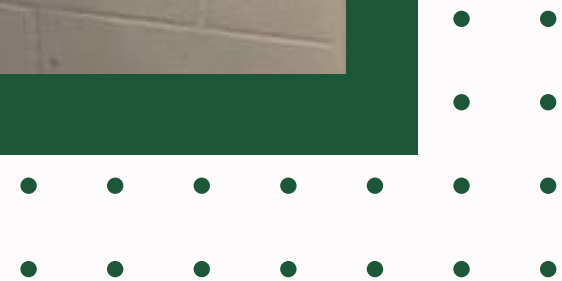
Technology

Health and Phys-Ed

Canadian and World Studies

Humanities

Sciences





Science

Grade 9

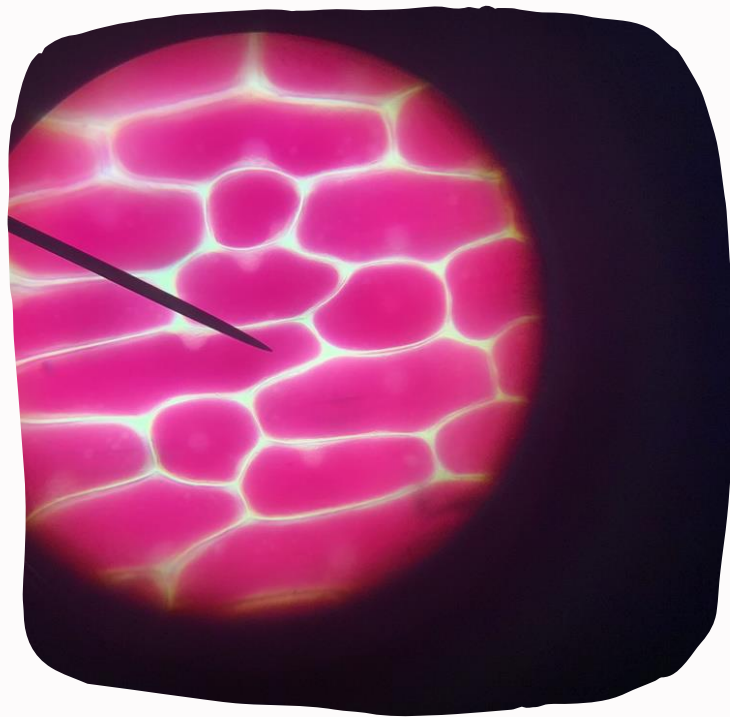
Chemistry
Ecology
Earth and Space
Electricity

Grade 10

Chemistry
Biology
Climate Change
Physics - Optics of Light

**Grade 11
and 12**

Biology, Chemistry,
and Physics classes



"Science is magic that works"



CANADA AND WORLD STUDIES

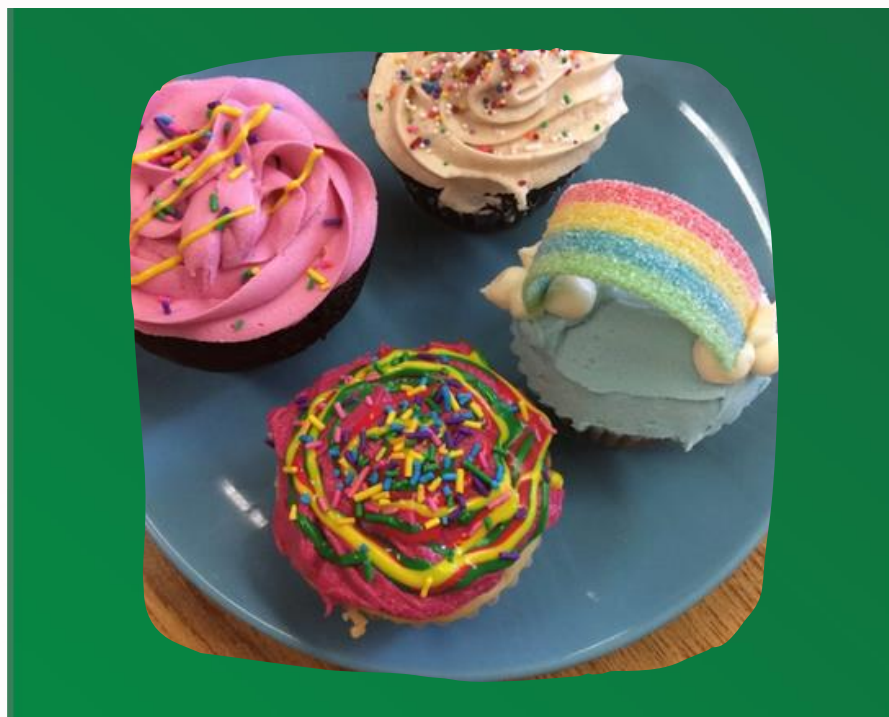
In grade nine Geography you will gain a better understanding of the world around you. In the course, we will focus on Canada, but we will also look at Canada's place in the world. We will explore many of the physical or natural processes that are happening on planet Earth that led to natural disasters, and we'll explore the natural features of the Canadian landscape from Coast to Coast. We will also learn about Canada's population and its cultural diversity and investigate what makes a city liveable by studying Hamilton and the local area. In grade 9 Geography, we will strive to help you make connections between the course material, your own life, and the world around you.



Humanities

Grade 9 HIF101 is a course dedicated to exploring Family Studies. It focuses on: cooking, sewing, money and time management, caring for self and others, consumer awareness and more!

In Grades 10, 11, and 12, students can focus on more specific areas within the Humanities - Business, Cooking, Anthropology, Psychology, Sociology, Philosophy, and more!



The Arts at Sherwood

Music

Winter Music Night Dec 21st - Mohawk College - Guest Soloist Colleen Allen, Jazz Saxophone - over 300 students performing!

Music Trip to Ottawa (TBC)

Competing at Golden Horseshoe Music Festival

Fun Music Events: Lazermania, Music Semi-formal and more!

Repertoire

Drama

Mamma Mia! The Musical Sem 2

Drama Courses Available each year!

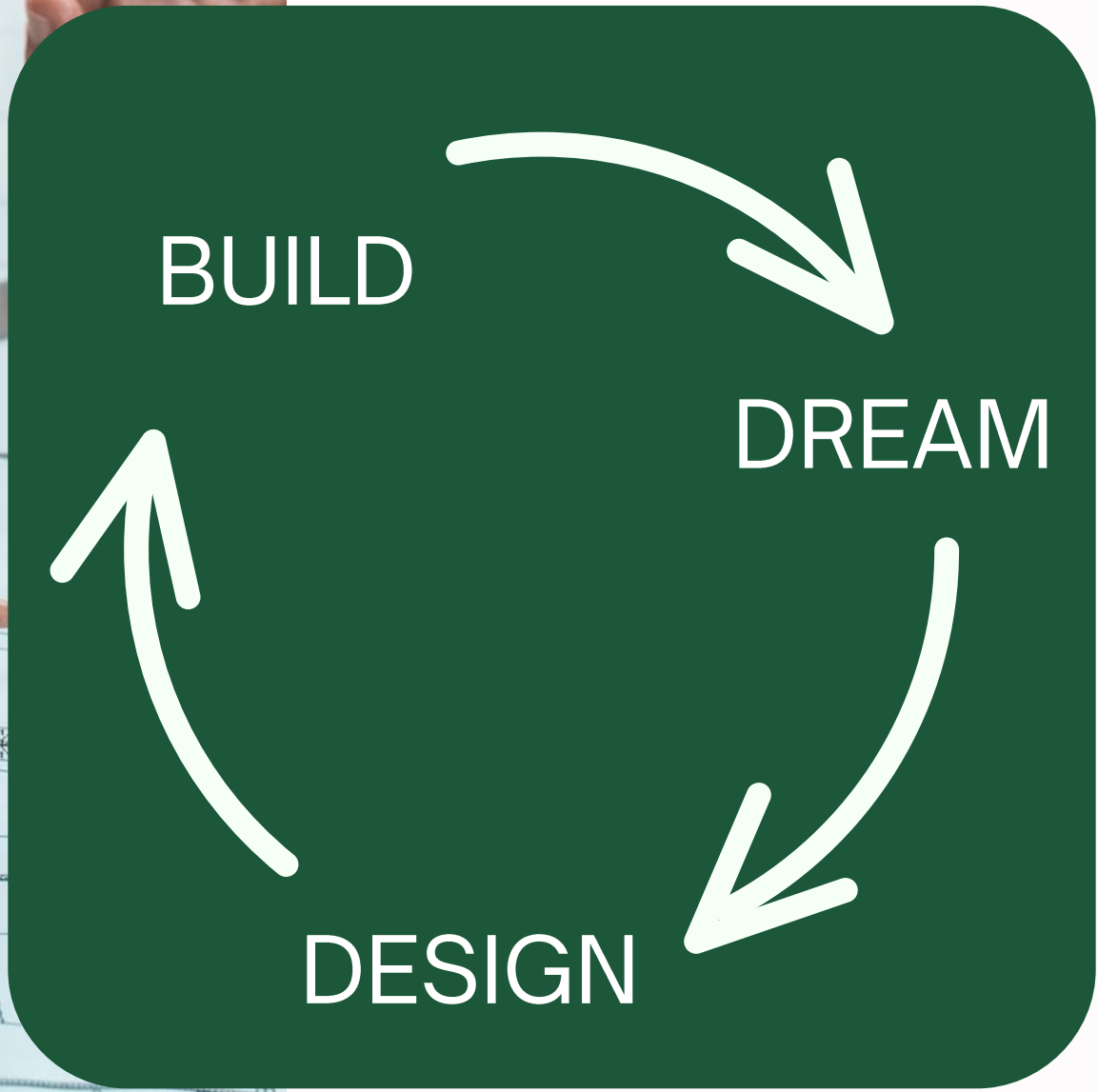


Art

Visual Arts, Music and Computers, Musical Theatre, Ceramics, Crafts, and Photography



The Technology Department



Exploring Tech - Grade 9

Coding

Computer Engineering
Custom Woodworking

Technical Design
Home Repair

Interior Design

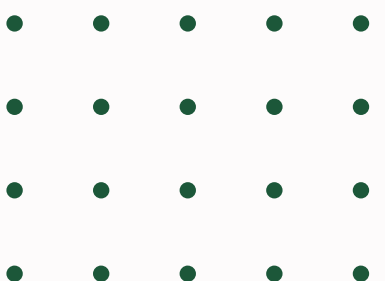
Transportation Technology- Automotive
Focused

Health Care

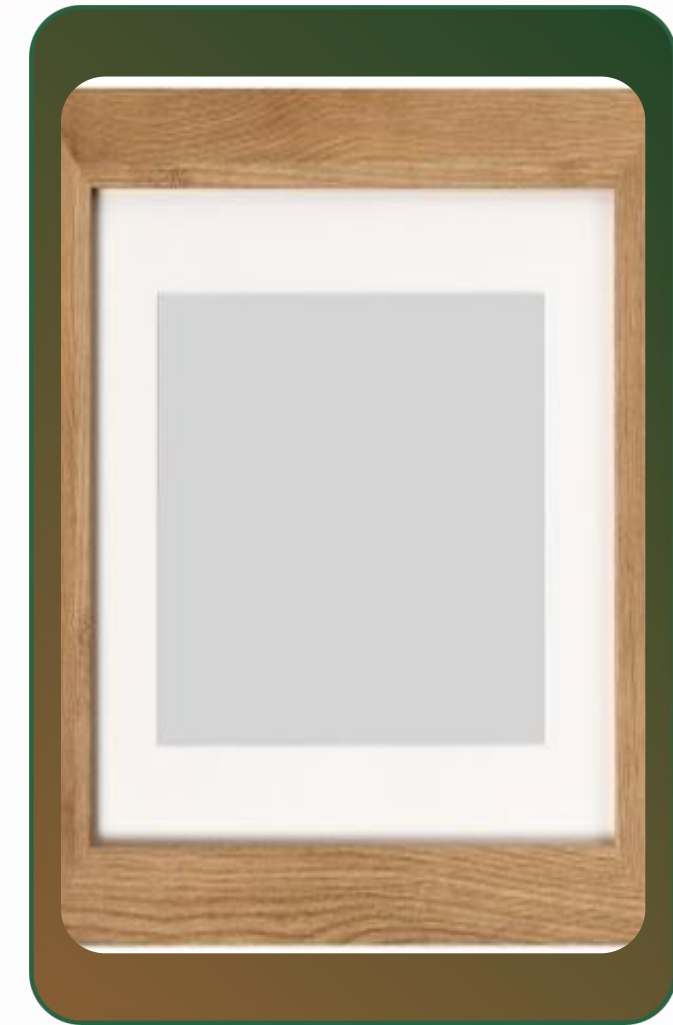
Cosmetology/ Hair Styling

Communication Technology

Construction Engineering/ Electrical
Focused



Example Projects



Phys - Ed

PAL101H - Hockey



This course is for those students who have a keen interest in hockey and are interested in developing their knowledge and movement skills through the sport of hockey

This is a two credit course bundled with HIF101-H Family Studies

*This course is run in the mornings out of Mohawk 4 Pad arena
Approximate 28-30 total ice times twice a week*

There is a fee associated with this course

PAR101 - Mindfulness



This course equips students with the knowledge and skills they need to make healthy choices now and lead healthy, active lives in the future.

This course will focus on a variety of individual and small group activities that promote mindfulness, stress and anxiety management, suppleness, and strength of body & mind. Such activities will include but are not limited to daily yoga practice, mindfulness activities, and breath-centered movements.

PAF101



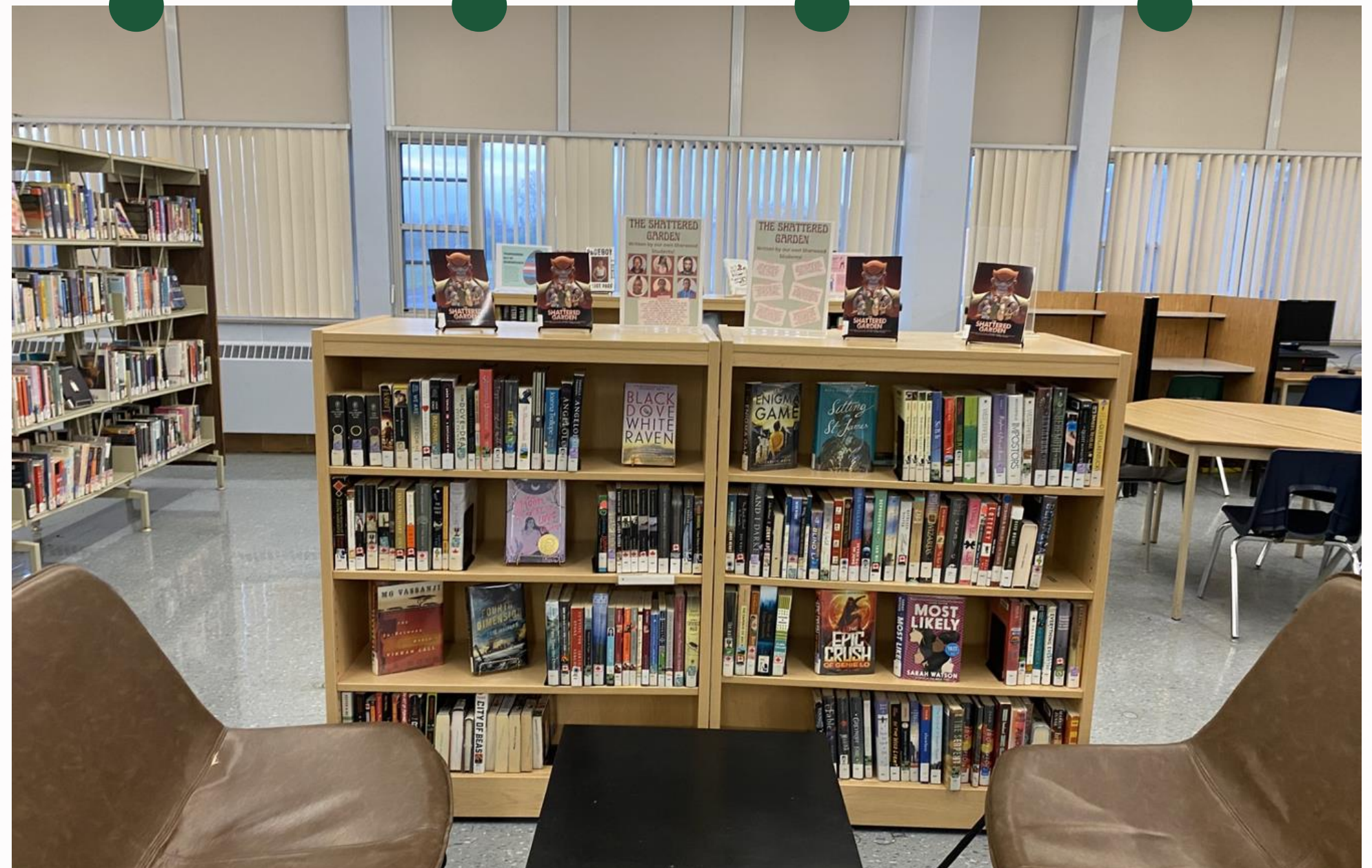
This is the grade 9 Phys-Ed course. You can choose between a single gendered course, or an all gendered course.

Library Learning Commons

Contests and Events throughout the year!

- Has a wide variety of fiction and non-fiction books, including e-books and audiobooks that you have access to for free!
- Help with research and citing
- Offers a creative space for hands on activities: knitting and crocheting, designing bookmarks and crafting activities
- Takes book requests and student suggestions

Tech Issues? We got you!



GUIDANCE

and Student Services



Guidance Counsellors

Your are assigned a counselor based on your last name and grade:

Last Names A-Fe: Ms. Grilli

Last names Fi-M: Ms. Vander Vliet

Last names N-Z: Mr. Sloan

Grade 9's: Mr. Sillet and Ms. Oliver



COOP

Coop, or Cooperative Education, can be taken in Grades 11 or 12. It can be a half day (morning or afternoon) or a full day. It is an opportunity to get out into the workplace and try out different future careers!



Student Success

Connect to our Student Success hub to receive support in your classes, have a quiet space with a mentoring EA present to help you complete your work or to give you a brief change of pace during the school day.



STUDENT COUNCIL

STUDENT ATHLETIC COUNCIL

We organize all things athletic at Sherwood! We do scorekeeping, and we plan/run events like our pep rally, culture day soccer tournament, athletic banquet, and other tournaments.

Join a wide variety of sports throughout your school year!!

- volleyball
- basketball
- hockey
- football
- ultimate frisbee
- etc!



REGISTRATION

- All students who live in the Sherwood catchment and are NOT currently attending an HWDSB school will need to register through the registration portal. For questions contact:

Ms. Podedworny, Student Services Administrator at
905-282-2277 ext. 4355 or email
cpodedwo@hwdsb.on.ca

Out of Catchment requests must be put in the spring before school starts. See HWDSB website for more details and dates

To know your catchment, go to:
<http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/find/>





THANK YOU

Now, Ms. Oliver will lead us in our
Passport event!