

Optional Courses – continued

STEM Requirement

BEM1OI - Entrepreneurship: In this course, you will learn what it takes to be an entrepreneur and build skills like creativity, problem-solving, and adapting to change. You will develop your own ideas, learn about money, and practice presenting your work while building communication and **project-management skills**.

MAT1LY - Math Boost: This course is intended to strengthen student math skills prior to taking MTH1WI. Students who sign up for this course, must also sign up for MTH1WI. They will have a math in both semesters of grade 9.

Family Studies

HIF1OI - Family Studies: In this course you will learn practical life skills like nutrition, cooking, money management, clothing care, and basic sewing, while building skills for healthy relationships and well-being.

Learning Support

Learning support courses are intended for students with IEPs who may require additional learning support.

GLE1OI - Learning Strategies: In this course, you will build skills for reading, writing, math, organization, time management, and managing stress, while learning strategies to succeed in high school.

LEAOAS - Non-Credit Resource Period: This is a non-credit resource period for students who benefit from a lighter course load. You'll use this time to work on your other courses and get extra support, in a small group or one-to-one when available.

Health and Physical Education

PPL1OX - Healthy Active Living (Female Identifying): You will develop skills in a variety of indoor and outdoor activities such as badminton, basketball, volleyball, weight training, and health.

PPL1OY - Healthy Active Living (Male Identifying): You will develop skills in a variety of indoor and outdoor activities such as badminton, basketball, volleyball, weight training, and health.

Technology

TAS1OI - Technology and the Skilled Trades: This hands-on course lets you design and build projects using tools and technology. You will rotate through different classrooms, learn safety skills, and explore career pathways, including the skilled trades.

Online Course Options – eLearning

Online options are also available in Grade 9. Students may choose a partial or full eLearning schedule. These courses are asynchronous, meaning there is a classroom teacher, but students work independently online. Courses run only if there is enough enrolment. The available Grade 9 online courses are listed below.

- AVI1O - Visual Arts
- BEM1O - Building the Entrepreneurial Mindset
- CGC1W - Geography
- ENL1W - English
- GLS1O - Learning Strategies
- HIF1O - Exploring Family Studies
- MTH1W -Math
- SNC1W -Science
- TGJ1O -Communication Technology

GLENVIEW PARK

GRADE 9 COURSE SELECTION

IB PROGRAM



2026-2027

[GPS.WRDSB.CA](https://gps.wrdsb.ca)

International Studies Program (ISP)

In order to prepare students for the IB curriculum, students at Glenview Park enter a two year preparation program called “International Studies Preparation” or ISP, in grades 9 and 10.

Students will be cohorted with other ISP students in two of their subjects in each grade 9 and 10. During these courses, students will learn assessment command terms used in the IB Diploma classes as well as focus on developing foundational skills, the Learner Profile and the Approaches to Learning.

Students will take a full package of courses which can be found in more detail on the Glenview IB website.

Course Selection Support

Students take eight courses in Grade 9—four each semester.

The IB course options are listed in this brochure. If you are considering Fast Forward or destreamed, please refer to the course selection information sheet for those programs.

Current WRDSB students will select courses through [myBlueprint](#). Out-of-board students should use the registration package on our website.

Full course descriptions for all courses are available online at <https://app.myblueprint.ca/public/courses/wrdsb/glenviewpark>

Current WRDSB students should contact their elementary school guidance teacher for help choosing Grade 9 courses. Non-WRDSB students with questions can contact Glenview Guidance for support.

You can visit the [Glenview Future Grade 9 website](#) for more information about courses. The link is available on the Glenview school website at gps.wrdsb.ca.

Please complete course selection by March 3, 2026 for the best possible schedule.

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CGC1WI - Geography: This course builds on Grade 7 and 8 geography. You'll learn how people, places, and the environment in Canada are connected, and how Canada connects to the world. You'll explore natural resources, jobs, sustainability, and how different communities—including First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples—relate to the land, using maps and digital tools.

ENL1WW - English: You will continue to develop the foundational knowledge and skills you need for reading, writing, and oral and visual communication. Students will enhance their media literacy and critical thinking skills and develop transferable skills, including digital literacy. Students will also make connections to their lived experiences and increase their understanding of the importance of language and literacy across the curriculum. This course is intended for students planning to enter IB.

FSF1DW - French: This course helps you use French more independently while talking and writing about everyday topics. You'll improve your French skills, think creatively, and learn about French-speaking communities. This course is intended for students planning to enter IB.

MTH1WI - Mathematics: This course builds your math skills in numbers, algebra, geometry, data, and financial literacy. You'll solve real-world problems using different strategies and apply math to situations that connect to everyday life.

SNC1WI - Science: This course explores biology, chemistry, physics, and earth and space science. You'll build STEM skills by doing experiments, designing solutions, and learning how science connects to technology, the environment, and everyday life.

Optional Courses – Choose 3

Many of the courses below count as compulsory courses. While it is recommended that you take an arts, phys ed and tech credit in your grade 9 year, it is most important to choose courses that you are excited about - you can earn your arts, phys ed and tech credits in future years. Please review the descriptions below to help you decide what three courses you would like to take.

The Arts

ADA1OI - Drama: This introductory drama course helps you build confidence, creativity, and teamwork. You'll explore different theatre styles, learn acting and stage skills like costume, lighting, and sound, and take part in fun, inclusive activities. You may also attend live theatre performances.

AMI1OI - Instrumental Music: In this course, you'll learn to play a concert band instrument and make music almost every day. You'll perform as part of a full band, in small groups, and on your own, while also learning basic music theory and music technology to help you create your own music.

AMV1OI - Vocal Music: In this course, you'll learn to sing in different styles and build confidence as a soloist and in groups. You'll sing most of the time, practice together and on your own, and learn basic music theory to help you read and create music.

AVI1OI - Visual Arts: This course is exploratory in nature, offering an overview of visual arts as a foundation for further study. Students will become familiar with the elements and principles of design and the expressive qualities of various materials by using a range of media, processes, techniques, and styles. Students will use the creative and critical analysis processes and will interpret art within a personal, contemporary, and historical context.

