

CEDARBRAE COURSE SUPPLEMENT

CHOICES is the course calendar for all of the secondary level schools in Toronto and contains descriptions of grades 9 - 12 courses available in every school. Cedarbrae's Supplement contains up-to-date charts of all the courses that will be available at Cedarbrae, and the preparation needed to take these courses. Together these two booklets provide the information needed to select a Cedarbrae program for the school year.

SCHOOL POLICIES REGARDING MINIMUM PROGRAM, COURSE SELECTIONS AND FULL DISCLOSURE

To minimize disruption to the classes and to provide maximum continuity for the students, all course selections must be considered final except where there are sound educational reasons for an adjustment. It is extremely important that students make realistic course selections. Full disclosure does not allow for students who 'think' they can repeat the same course two or three times before they get the mark with which they are happy. Each try will be noted on the transcript. Further information can be found on the page entitled "What Parents and Students Need to Know about Full Disclosure on the Ontario Student Transcript (OST)". Students who are under 18 years of age require parental approval for some program changes.

Additional credits cannot be earned by taking a course that has already been passed, more than once or by repeating the same subject at a lower level of difficulty in the same grade. When a course is repeated, the highest mark is retained for the transcript.

Number of Credits as of September 1st	Semester 1		Semester 2	
	Must Take	May Take	Must Take	May Take
16 OR LESS	4	-----	4	-----
17 TO 22	4	-----	4	-----
23 or more	4	3	3	4

N.B. At no time can a student be enrolled in fewer than 3-day school courses per semester.

AVAILABILITY OF COURSES

Every effort will be made to timetable students' choices, but course offerings are subject to the availability of teaching staff, the limitations of the timetable, and the number of students selecting each course. **Students are asked to indicate two alternative courses on the option selection sheet.**

When a chosen course is not available the counsellor will substitute one of the student's alternate choices.

COURSE TYPES

Anyone enrolled in Grade 9 as of September 1999 is working towards an O.S.S. Diploma. Course types are:

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| P - Applied | C - College |
| D - Academic | M - College/University |
| O - Open | U - University |
| L - Locally Developed | E - Workplace |
| Compulsory Course 3 - Open-Locally Developed | |

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION

For some courses, the Principal at Cedarbrae C.I. has indicated the background that is necessary for students to experience success in their studies. These courses are indicated in the charts that follow as RECOMMENDED PREPARATION.

PREREQUISITES

The Ontario Ministry of Education has stated that certain courses may not be selected without appropriate preparation. The required courses are indicated in the charts that follow as PREREQUISITES.

THE CEDARBRAE HONOUR SOCIETY

The purpose of the Cedarbrae Honour Society is to recognize those students who have demonstrated a high level of achievement in courses taken at Cedarbrae throughout the regular school year. To be eligible for this honour, students must obtain an average of 80% or more in courses taken at Cedarbrae during the current school year.

THE ONTARIO SCHOLAR AWARD

The Ontario Scholar Certificate is awarded to students who complete 6 different Grade 12 Courses with an average of at least 80 percent.

What Parents & Students Need To Know About Full Disclosure On The Ontario Student Transcript (OST)...

Q. What is an Ontario Student Transcript (OST)?

A. It is a provincially standardized document, which is the student's official record of credits earned.

Q. When did full disclosure go into effect?

A. September 1, 1999

Q. Who does this affect?

A. Any student who is taking a grade 11 or 12 course.

Q. How much time does a student have to withdraw (drop) from a course before it is recorded on their OST?

A. Students have 5 school days after receiving the first official Ontario report card (mid-semester report) to withdraw from a course in order for a course not to be recorded on the OST.

Q. What happens if a student withdraws from a course after the deadline?

A. If a student withdrew from a course after the 5th day of receiving the first provincial report card, a 'W' will be recorded on the transcript and the mark that the student was earning at the time of withdrawal will be entered on the transcript.

Q. Is there special consideration for the student who is receiving special educational support?

A. Yes, but only in the case where an I.E.P. (Individual Educational Plan) is being developed for a student within the first 20 days of instruction of the program.

Q. Are students who attend Continuing Education Courses (Summer or Night School) subject to similar time lines for withdrawing from a course?

A. Yes, as set by the Continuing Education Department.

Q. What happens if a student completes a course but chooses to repeat that course for upgrading purposes?

A. If the student repeats a grade 11 or 12 course the marks for **all** attempts will be shown on the OST, but only **one** credit can be earned.

Q. Is there any consideration given when special circumstances necessitate that a student must withdraw (drop) from a course, or circumstances result in the student failing the course?

A. Yes, but the 'W' or the failing mark will still be entered on the OST. In cases of extraordinary circumstances the special indicator 'S' will be entered in the 'Note' column of the OST.