# Saint Thomas Aquinas Graduation Year 2019 - 2020 Parent Information Meeting

#### **Graduation Program Requirements**

Required Courses	
SUBJECT AREA	Minimum Credits
English 10	4
Composition 11	4
English Studies 12	4
Social Studies 10	4
Social Studies 11 or a Socials Studies 12 course	4
Science 10	4
Science 11 or 12	4
Mathematics 10	4
Mathematics 11 or 12	4
Physical Education 10	4
Career Life Education 10	4
A Fine Arts and/or Applied Skills 10, 11 or 12	4
Total	48
ELECTIVE COURSES	
Students must earn at least 28 elective credits for Grade 10-12 courses	28
Career Life Connections	
Students must earn 4 credits by completing Career Life Connections	4
Overall Total	80



# **Graduation Credits**

- External Credits
  - Musical Instruments, Dance, Sports
- Distributed Learning
  - Courses taken outside of STA
  - (i.e. online, summer school)
- Language Challenge Exam
  - Students who have studied in Canada since grade 9 and have a first language other than English
  - Exams are written through the Delta School District



# **Career Life Connections**

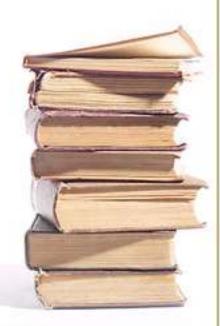
- 1. Components
  - Students will be working on their capstone project throughout the year during advisory blocks
  - Resume, Goal Setting, Financial Plans, etc...
- 2. Presentation of Capstone Project to STA Staff Members
  - Presentations take place on May 25

## Required Provincial Graduation Exams

Numeracy Assessment

Required for all students graduating in June 2020

Assessment score of 1 to 4 is recorded on the ministry transcript.



# Transcripts

- Hard copies required for some universities and scholarship/bursary applications
- Requests made to Academic Advisor in writing or by e-mail outlining specific criteria and number required
- Be aware of deadlines for transcripts

# **Post Secondary Admission**

- Post Secondary Institution (PSI)
  Students must authorize the Ministry of Ed. to forward information to PSI's through their BCeID account.
  - -Students will set up BCeID accounts in Career Life Connections class in October.
- Check websites of specific PSI's to determine:
  - Admission criteria
  - Admission procedures
  - Course requirements
  - Application deadlines
  - Tuition and Fees

#### **Post-Secondary Planning**

## www.educationplannerbc.ca

A resource to provide clear, reliable and detailed information about post-secondary programs available in BC.

Using Education Planner can help learners make well-informed decisions about their education and career options.



# **Post-Secondary Night at STA**

- Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019
- 7:00 9:00 pm
- Information Sessions with a variety of PS Institutions including UBC, SFU, UVic, BCIT, KPU, TWU, CCC, CapU, Douglas, Langara etc...



# **Scholarships & Bursaries**

 Utilize the STA academic advising page for many useful links and tools for Post-Secondary planning, scholarship opportunities, career explorations, etc

http://www.aquinas.org/index.php/ academics/advising

 Follow @staacademics on Instagram & Facebook for new postings and announcements.

# Academic Advisors

- Provide academic advising, post secondary exploration and course selection
- Available to work with students and parents oneon-one for academic planning and support
  - Available by appointment or e-mail me at:
  - salituro@aquinas.org



#### **Questions & Answers**

- Thank-you
- Have a great year
- Congratulations