



École KLO Middle School

Grade 7

COURSE DESCRIPTION BOOKLET

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Grade 7 English Students

All grade 7 students in our English Program will be enrolled in the following courses:

- ❖ English 7
- ❖ Science 7
- ❖ Social Studies 7
- ❖ Math 7
- ❖ Physical and Health Education 7
- ❖ Exploratory 7 (Band or Arts Exploration)
- ❖ Career Education 7 (half year)
- ❖ French 7 (half year)

Grade 7 French Immersion Students

All grade 7 students in our French Immersion Program will be enrolled in the following courses:

- ❖ English 7
- ❖ Sciences 7
- ❖ Sciences Humaines 7
- ❖ Mathématiques 7
- ❖ Physical and Health Education 7
- ❖ Exploratory 7 (Band or Arts Exploration)
- ❖ Career Education 7
- ❖ Français Langue 7

Elective Choices

All grade 7 students will have the choice between full year courses either Band 7 or Arts Explorations 7.

ARTS EXPLORATIONS 7

Grade 7 students will experience Art Explorations throughout the year. The Arts Education curriculum includes visual art, drama forms, music and movement, and principles of design. It promotes the arts as a means of self-expression and creativity, and encourages students to explore who they are as an artist. Students explore art from the world, including Indigenous art, and learn about different media and messages.

BAND

In Band 7 students develop playing techniques, articulation, dynamics, and ensemble playing throughout the year. Students will also learn theoretical and historical aspects as they occur within the ensemble music as it is being rehearsed. This is a performing arts course which requires at home instrument practice and active participation in the classroom. Attendance at concerts, assemblies and festivals will be an integral and required part of the curriculum.

Standard Classes

ENGLISH 7 - English Language Arts is designed to empower students by providing them with strong communication skills, an understanding and appreciation of language and literature, and the ability to engage fully as a literate and responsible citizen in the digital age. Students are guided to think critically and creatively, and to construct a sense of personal and cultural identity. Students learn to be respectful of a variety of perspectives and worldviews, including a focus on Indigenous ways of knowing as they practice their reading, writing, and speaking skills.

MATHEMATICS 7 / MATHEMATIQUES 7 – The B.C. Mathematics curriculum contributes to students' development as educated citizens through the development of a deep understanding of both factual and process-based information needed to solve complex problems. They practice mathematical reasoning and learn flexible, effective, and personalized strategies to analyze and solve complex problems. Whether students choose to pursue a deeper or broader study in mathematics, the design of the Mathematics curriculum ensures that they are able to pursue their individual interests and passions while establishing a strong mathematical foundation.

SCIENCE 7 / SCIENCES 7 - The Science curriculum provides opportunities for students to better understand the natural world. Through science, we ask questions and seek answers to grow our collective scientific knowledge. Students are encouraged to work collaboratively and individually to ask questions of personal interest, create experiments and investigations to answer those questions, and consider a variety of points of view when solving problems. Students investigate a variety of topics including content from biology, chemistry, physics, and earth sciences.

SOCIAL STUDIES 7 / SCIENCES HUMAINES 7 - Social Studies provides opportunities for students to become participants in a democratic society. Students learn about history, current events, government, cultures, and economy. They practice making connections between the past and the present to better understand the world. Students learn about their place in the world and their rights and responsibilities as Canadians and global citizens. This course allows students to investigate topics of their own interest in order to have an impact on the decisions made in their society and advocate for causes important to them.

PHE 7 - The Physical and Health Education (PHE) curriculum aims to empower students to develop a personalized understanding of what healthy living means to them as individuals and members of society in the 21st century. The PHE curriculum focuses on well-being — the connections between physical, intellectual, mental, and social health. Through classroom learning and physical activities, students gain a deeper and more holistic understanding of overall health and well-being.

CAREER EDUCATION 7 - The Career Education curriculum supports students in becoming successful, educated citizens by helping them learn how to effectively manage their life journey toward preferred future possibilities. This area of learning requires students to identify and develop their personal interests, passions, and competencies. Students reflect on learning experiences in school and in the community, build confidence through their contributions, and explore multiple career-life roles and choices.

CORE FRENCH 7 - The Core French curriculum allows students to begin to communicate with purpose and confidence in French. They explore a variety of French-language texts, expand their understanding and appreciation of other cultures, and learn about the educational, recreational, and career opportunities that acquiring an additional language offers. Through this course, students gain a deeper understanding of their own first language and cultural identity and learn to appreciate the connection between language and culture.

FRANCAIS LANGUE 7 – In Français langue, students practice both oral and written communication skills. They are also guided in their learning to think critically, creatively, and reflectively, in order to construct a personal and cultural identity and to respect a variety of perspectives and worldviews. Students explore a variety of texts and develop linguistic competencies through observation, inquiry, and problem solving. They are encouraged to forge their identity as Francophiles and integrate French into their personal, school, and work life.