

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL COURSE OUTLINE



Name of Course/Course Code: Learning Strategies: Skills for Success in Secondary School
GLE30, GLE40, GLS30, GLS40

Course Prerequisite: Students will have approval from the school Principal to have this course as part of their timetable. There are no academic prerequisites.

Course Description:

This course is designed to help students acquire and demonstrate the cross-curricular literacy skills that are evaluated by the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test. Students who complete the course successfully will meet the provincial literacy requirement for graduation. Students will read a variety of informational, narrative, and graphic texts and will produce a variety of forms of writing, including summaries, information paragraphs, opinion pieces, and news reports. Students will also maintain and manage a literacy portfolio containing a record of their reading experiences and samples of their writing.

Catholic Graduate Expectations:

Becoming a successful and effective learner is a lifelong journey in which the dignity and value of each person is affirmed through the relationships with God, self, others, and Creation. Catholic education, understood within the context of Jesus Christ in which relationships unfold, seeks to create the very essence of learners as whole persons; both who they become and how they give witness to peace, justice, and the sacredness of human life in the world in which they live. Learning Strategies will focus on the three interconnected strands; learning, personal development and interpersonal relationships. Within these three strands students will become reflective thinkers, effective communicators, and self-directed, responsible learners. Through the integration of body, mind, and spirit rooted in Catholic values, beliefs and traditions, they will become more collaborative, caring and responsible members of their society.

Units of Study

1	Literacy and Numeracy Skills	20 hours
2	About Myself	18 hours
3	Working Together	18 hours
4	Speaking Out	18 hours
5	Study Skills	18 hours
6	Planning My Future	18 hours

Evaluation

Seventy percent of the final grade will be made up of marks gathered throughout the semester. The remaining 30% will consist of a final culminating activity. The culminating activity must be completed in order to earn a credit for the course and the culminating activity is to be completed in class.

For the 70% of the course work, assignments in the four areas of the achievement chart will be tracked independently. The scores will be combined in the following proportions to produce a course work score:

Knowledge	25%
Thinking	25%
Communication	25%
Application	25%

70%	30%
Knowledge/Understanding	Culminating Task (There is no final exam for this course.)
Thinking/Inquiry	
Communication	
Application	

Course Resources Required:

Binder, paper, pens and pencils, highlighter, coloured pencils. Other course materials will be provided by the teacher.

For a detailed course description of this course, please visit <https://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/curriculum/secondary>