



# BURNABY MOUNTAIN SECONDARY SCHOOL

## 2019-2020 Grade 8 Enriched Courses Application

Thank you for your interest in Burnaby Mountain’s enriched grade 8 courses. The following package is intended to provide you with information and an application for all of Burnaby Mountain’s enriched 8 courses for the coming school year.

### The Application Package Involves Two Steps:

**STEP 1** is to be filled out by the applicant and his/her family **prior to their GRADE 7 VISIT**. Once completed, this should be submitted to your grade 7 classroom teacher.

**STEP 2** will be **completed and submitted confidentially** by your grade 7 classroom teacher directly to Ms. Wu through **MAIL** or during the **GRADE 7 VISIT** at Burnaby Mountain.

### Important Notes to Applicants:

- When filling out the Burnaby Mountain Secondary School course selection form, please select the enriched 8 courses you are interested in taking. Should you not be successful in the application process, you will automatically be placed in the regular grade 8 programs.
- Students wishing to pursue any of our enriched grade 8 level or accelerated 8/9 programs must ensure that both parts of this form are complete to be considered for admission
- Acceptance letters from Burnaby Mountain will be sent home by the end of May.

All of the following assessments for enriched courses are held at Burnaby Mountain Secondary School (there are no written assessments for Enriched Social Studies classes).

Dates of Written Assessment	Held at Burnaby Mountain Secondary School		
English 8 Enriched	Tuesday, April 9 <sup>th</sup>	3:30 – 4:30	Multi-purpose Room
Science 8 Enriched / Math 8 Enriched / Math 8-9	Wednesday, April 10 <sup>th</sup>	3:30 – 4:30 3:30 – 5:00 (if writing both)	Multi-purpose Room
Alternate assessment date for excused absences or illness	Monday, April 15 <sup>th</sup>	3:30 – 4:30	Multi-purpose Room
<b><i>Please arrive for assessments 15 minutes early.</i></b>			

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Should you have any other questions or concerns, please contact the appropriate department head below.

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### ENRICHED ENTRANCE PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS, PARENTS & GRADE 7 TEACHERS (Please keep this page for your information)

- Socials Studies 8 Enriched does not have a written assessment.
- The English 8 Enriched entrance assessment will involve a written response.
- Math 8/9 is an accelerated program. Students study Math 8 and 9 together in one year.
- In Math 8 Enriched students study the Math 8 learning outcomes in more depth. The same entrance assessments is used for both of the math courses offered.
- **Grade 7 teachers:** please make a note of the enriched entrance assessment dates and remind your students a few days prior to the exam regarding the date, time, and location. We thank you for excusing your students from class and allowing them to come to Burnaby Mountain to write their entrance assessments.
- Parents, please ensure that your child arrives at Burnaby Mountain at the required date and time for each assessment. Your child will NOT be supervised after the assessment so please plan how they will get home after each.
- The math and science entrance assessments are combined and are composed of multiple-choice and written-response questions; the duration of each is approximately 40 minutes. Students must bring a pencil, eraser, and a ruler as these items will not be supplied. The assessment questions are designed to be quite challenging, which is necessary for us to be able to differentiate between students based upon their performance.
- Students cannot study any specific content for the science exam but they will be required to demonstrate their ability to think logically, critically, problem solve, interpret graphs and communicate their ideas clearly and concisely.
- The math assessment requires knowledge of the Math 7 learning outcomes but not the Math 8 learning outcomes.
- Calculators are NOT permitted for either assessment (math or science).
- There are no sample assessments available. We will not be providing any specific assessment information prior to the assessment.





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### STEP 2 – GRADE 7 TEACHER FORM

**STEP 2:** To be completed **CONFIDENTIALLY** by your **GRADE 7 CLASSROOM TEACHER** and submitted to Karen Wu by **MAIL** or during your **GRADE 7 VISIT** at Burnaby Mountain **PRIOR** to **APRIL 5<sup>th</sup>**.

<b>Student Name:</b> _____	<b>Applicant's Course Mark to Date</b>	<b>% (Approx.)</b>
<b>Teacher Name:</b> _____	Social Studies	
<b>School:</b> _____	Science	
	English	
	Math	

**Please circle the appropriate response on the three point scale regarding this student – (F=Fair, G=Good, E=Excellent)**

	F	G	E
Participates actively in class work	1	2	3
Is articulate in classroom discussions	1	2	3
Expresses ideas clearly in writing	1	2	3
Shows leadership in group work	1	2	3
Works effectively by themselves	1	2	3
Asks perceptive and penetrating questions	1	2	3
Is willing to share ideas	1	2	3
Takes responsibility for learning, including completion of all assigned tasks	1	2	3
Behaves in a considerate, responsive, respectful and mature manner	1	2	3
Applies data to new situations	1	2	3
Grasps new concepts quickly and thoroughly	1	2	3
Has the ability to use evidence to support opinions	1	2	3
Has the ability to think analytically	1	2	3
Has the ability to follow complex directions	1	2	3
Demonstrates above average math ability	1	2	3
Has mathematical problem solving skills	1	2	3

*Based on the applicants overall ability and work habits do you feel they would be successful in a course that requires them to work independently, be organized, and take initiative?*

Yes, without a doubt     
  Possibly, with limited reservations     
  Probably not

**Additional comments regarding reservations concerning student's application:**

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