

# Christ the King School Information Handbook

## Grade 9



**Learning and Growing in Christ  
Welcome to Charger Nation!**



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# Greetings from Christ the King School

## Home of Charger Nation

Welcome to Christ the King School and thank you for seeing what our school has to offer. Our staff members take your commitment to our school seriously. We pledge to provide you with high quality programming within a caring Catholic environment. Students are known personally by their teachers and a close relationship between the school and home is encouraged and nurtured.

Choosing a high school is an important and difficult task for students and parents. Here are a few points to consider regarding Christ the King School:

- We provide an environment that develops the whole student; academically, physically, emotionally, and spiritually.
- High academic student achievement.
- Our **FLEX** block allows students opportunities for additional support and skill development in a variety of different areas.

Please look closely at our full range of academic programs and our extensive list of electives at the high school level. Let us assist you in making an informed decision about how Christ the King School can best meet your long-term goals. This orientation book provides you with valuable information for planning your high school program as well as descriptions of the courses available at CTK. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact us at the school.

We look forward to a tremendous year of “Learning and Growing in Christ.” May God bless us as we embark on this journey!

Yours in Christ,



Dean  
Heck

Principal



Mandy  
Rantucci

Vice  
Principal

# CATHOLIC EDUCATION

As a Catholic school community, we are committed to helping all students achieve at high levels, building community, and growing in relationship with others through Jesus Christ.

Christ the King School is located in the City of Leduc and is a grade 9 to 12 school with an enrollment of approximately 400 students, serving Leduc as well as the larger surrounding rural area.



**Charger Nation:  
Learning the Way.  
Living the Way.  
Loving the Way.**



## Faith Development

Students have the opportunity to deepen their faith, as the school offers numerous activities focused on faith formation including: daily prayer, service projects, faith experiences (e.g. Charged! Events, rallies), monthly masses, Advent and Lenten reflections, Feast of Christ the King, Shrove Tuesday Luncheon and participating in the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat.



# Student Services

At Christ the King School, we teach for academic and spiritual success. Our approach is to encourage a search for solutions to develop a mature, Christ-like, self-disciplined individual who is a responsible, contributing member of the school and the community. This invites the cooperation of students, parents, staff, and the student services team. The following services are available to all students at Christ the King through the Student Services Office:

## **Educational Counselling:**

- Peer tutoring
- New student orientation
- Scholarship information
- Appropriate course placement
- Evaluation of student transcripts
- Teacher-Student-Parent consultations
- Learning Support and Inclusive Education
- Study skills

## **Career Counselling:**

- Post-secondary workshops and information sessions
- Computer assisted career information
- Information regarding volunteer and/or summer school opportunities
- Information on employment opportunities



*Natasha  
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*Siobhan Oudith  
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## **Personal Counselling:**

- Crisis counselling
- Dealing with issues such as grief, divorce, suicide, family violence, depression/anxiety, eating disorders, physical/sexual abuse, substance abuse, and self-esteem
- Referrals to outside agencies

## **Learning Support Services:**

- Supporting accommodations and learning needs of students
- Collaborating with external service providers and division personnel around learning supports
- Level B Academic Assessments

# Registration Process

## Who May Register

- Christ the King School can accept any student who has completed Grade 8.
- First consideration will be given to students of Catholic families who live within the Leduc boundaries and attend one of our feeder school.
- Parents/guardians of students who may qualify for inclusive education can contact Siobhan Oudith, Learning Support Facilitator at 780-986-6859 to arrange for program evaluation.

## New Students not enrolled at feeder schools

Please complete the online application found on our school website. You will be asked to provide the following:

- Proof of identity - Canadian birth certificate, passport, permanent resident card
- A current report card from you previous school
- An Individual Program Plan (if applicable)

Please Note: The school reserves the right to control the capacity of all programs. For this reason out of jurisdiction and non-catholic family students will be accepted as space and resources allow.

## Important dates

**Registration entry days, students will do the following:**

- Timetable changes
- Obtain student ID cards
- Have lockers issued
- Have school photo taken
- Textbook pickup

## **Registration Dates for 2025-2026 School Year**

Grade 9 - TBD

Grade 10 - TBD

Grade 11 - TBD

Grade 12 - TBD

**School starts - TBD**

# **Grade 9 - Course Planning and Selection**

All grade nine students are enrolled in: English Language Arts, Social Studies, Science, Math, Numeracy, Literacy, Phys Ed, Religion, and Health.

***"Christ the King is excited to embark on planning French Immersion programming for the 2025-2026 school year."***

The balance of the timetable for a grade 9 student is filled with 3 electives.

The electives offered will be based on student interest and scheduling. Grade 9 Elective Course Selection will take place in spring of the previous school year through the students PowerSchool account or for new students on the day of intake meeting.

Grade 9 Sample Timetable

Block	Semester 1 September – January		Semester 1 February – June	
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 1	Day 2
A	Health	PE	Elective	Religion
B	Social	Social	ELA	ELA
C	Elective	Numeracy	Science	Science
D	Math	Math	Literacy	Elective

# Grade 9 - Elective Descriptions

The electives offered will be based on student interest and scheduling. Please note that there may be fees associated with certain elective courses.



**CTF Art 9** - Students use a range of tools, materials and media to express how they feel, to think artistically and value art. They draw and create art, and examine the art that others have made. \* Fees apply\*



**CTF Ceramics 9** - Learn the art of creating with clay. \*Fees apply\*



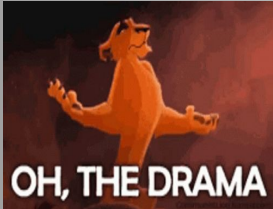
**CTF Computers 9** - Learn the basics in computer operations and programs including coding, game design and graphics.



## **Grade 9 - Elective Descriptions Continued**



**CTF Construction 9** - Students will use basic hand tools, power tools, and production skills to safely transform common building materials into useful products. They will utilize basic construction and woodworking techniques to produce three wood projects. Students will have the option to use V-Carve software to create projects with a CNC Router. \*Fees apply\*



**CTF Drama 9** - This course introduces and explores theatre from page to stage as a live performing art. Topics include: exploring improv, script writing, character development, stage makeup and more, all while developing communication and collaboration skills.



**CTF ESports 9** - Fundamentals provides students a digital framework through an e-sports lens. Students will explore the history of esports, learn genres of games, practice good gamer health, teamwork, and learn basic technology and hands on troubleshooting. \*Fees apply\*

# Grade 9 - Elective Descriptions Continued



**CTF Film Studies 9** - Love movies? Love talking about movies? Want to know what makes your favorite movies so great? Students will learn the techniques used to create films, what makes a story so popular in today's culture, and how these films will continue to influence the film industry and society for years to come.



**CTF Foods 9** - Students learn basic culinary and baking techniques in a variety of labs, ensuring safety. The goal of the course is to enhance knowledge and gain experience for daily life skills. \*Fees apply\*



**CTF Forensic Science** - While Science is the cornerstone of forensics, it embodies concepts in many areas including biology, chemistry, zoology, psychology, genetics, and many more. Forensic Science 9's goal is for students to make sense of complex problems that require logical reasoning and involve numerical data, evidence, and uncertainty.

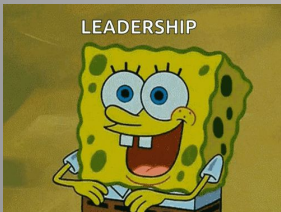
## Grade 9 - Elective Descriptions Continued



**CTF French 9** - Basic French as a second language for conversational learning and an introduction to French culture. No French language experience is required.



**CTF Guitar 9** - Designed for students who are interested in developing their musical skills and knowledge as guitar players, songwriters, and music enthusiasts. The course is designed to spark musical interests and develop instrument playing skills. A variety of musical genres are explored. Students will leave the course with improved playing skills, a greater understanding of songwriting, and positive experiences playing in small group performances. No experience necessary! \*Fees apply\*



**CTF Leadership 9** - This course is to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary for effective communication, teamwork, and service to others in the school and community. It recognizes that the students must understand the concept of leadership and must be able to lead themselves before they can be effective leaders for others.

# **Grade 9 - Elective Descriptions Continued**

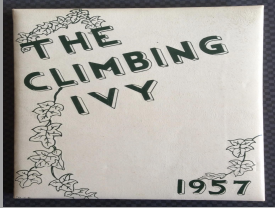


**CTF Outdoor Education 9** - Students build knowledge and skills for safe outdoor experiences in all seasons, and will deepen their awareness and respect for nature. In this course, they will cover wilderness hazards and how to mitigate them, shelter building techniques, navigation skills, and a trip to the Strathcona Wilderness Centre. \*Fees apply\*



**CTF Rec Sports 9** - Students participate and develop skills in a variety of sports and other activities that fall outside of the physical education curriculum. The goal of the course is to create meaningful and experiential learning opportunities that connect students to local area amenities and activities. Possible activities include completion of an Alberta sport fishing education course, ice fishing, archery, golf, weight and personal fitness training, hiking and walking local area paths, rock climbing, and other seasonal activities in and around Leduc. Students will learn and develop cooperation and teamwork, along with an appreciation of the benefits of maintaining an active and healthy lifestyle. \*Fees apply\*

## **Grade 9 - Elective Descriptions Continued**



**CTF Yearbook 9** - Help create the school's yearbook. Take photos, design your pages and get together with other students in a fun and creative environment.



**CTF Yoga Fitness 9** - This course has been designed to introduce basic postures, breathing techniques, and relaxation methods of yoga. This sequence of courses does not include the spiritual elements normally associated with Yoga. In Yoga, students experience the health benefits of the discipline of yoga and develop skills that enable them to develop well-being, balance multiple aspects of their lives, and manage priorities. \*Fees apply\*



# STARR

## Sustained & Targeted Academic Review and Research

*Previously called FLEX*

**What:** The STARR program prepares our students for high academic engagement by enriching the development of skills and acquisition of knowledge as early as possible in the school year. Students will find more success in their academic and enrichment programming by utilizing additional class time to practice and perform at more rigorous levels. They will enjoy being challenged to expand upon their knowledge and skills during flexible programming blocks that occur on a regular weekly schedule in our school.

**When:** Every Tuesday and Thursday from October to December and March to May.

**Who:** All students are required to take part in STARR. This is an attendance based block.



# *Student Clubs & Groups*



Co-curricular activities and extra-curricular activities are an important part of life at Christ the King. In addition to clubs and teams, there are many leadership and service opportunities. The activities offered during any school year depend upon student interest and the availability of staff advisors. What follows are brief descriptions of a few of the activities and programs that will assist students in enhancing their faith, leadership skills, athleticism, and school spirit.

**Student Council/Rotary Club** - This club serves as a voice for the student body. Students from all grade levels are encouraged to be involved in the council. They are involved in organizing theme days and events throughout the year. In addition to this, students are encouraged to participate in activities focused on social justice and numerous community service projects.

**Music Ministry** - Music Ministry provides students with an opportunity to lead the school in music and song during school masses. Students are invited to share their singing and/or instrumental abilities throughout the school year. Music Ministry meets during lunch hours a few times per month.

**Grade 9 Travel Club** - Our grade 9 students have the opportunity to travel to Victoria for 4 days to experience the beauty and wonders of Vancouver Island. Activities include caving, harbour kayaking, ziplining, whale watching, visiting Victoria Bug Zoo and the Royal BC Museum Imax. In addition, team building activities such as escape room challenges complete this journey.

**International Travel Club** - At least every other year Christ the King School hosts an educational tour abroad. Past adventures have taken our students to Germany, Poland, Spain, France, Italy, Greece, and Costa Rica. The tours allow the students to discover and learn about different cultures; earning credits for Tourism through flex sessions prior to departure. Students must be in Grade 10-12.

**Ski/Snowboard Club** - Students have the opportunity to be part of the Ski/Snowboard Club where they will make a few trips during the school out to Rabbit Hill to enjoy the outdoor skiing and snowboarding with their peers.





# CTK Charger Athletics



Christ the King has a proud tradition in interscholastic sports. Christ the King “Chargers” compete in the Edmonton Metro League in the following sports: golf, cross country running, volleyball, basketball, soccer, and badminton. Recent highlights include: Three Metro-Edmonton League Championships (Boys Volleyball, Basketball and Golf) and Edmonton Zone Championships (Girls Volleyball and Basketball; and Boys Volleyball and Golf). The Chargers also host annual volleyball and basketball tournaments. Christ the King has had numerous Edmonton Metro All-Stars in Basketball and Volleyball.





# ***Student Opportunities***

## **Awards Programs:**

Christ the King has a comprehensive Awards Program that is both school based and community supported. Students earn awards in many categories including, but not limited to:

- Highest Achievement in Individual Subject Areas
- Honour Roll and Rutherford Scholarships
- Outstanding Contribution in Subject Areas
- School and Community Service
- Leadership and School Spirit
- Athletics
- Fine Arts
- Stewardship
- Citizenship



## **Scholarships:**

Students are provided with several scholarship application opportunities throughout their years at Christ the King School. Watch for opportunities in the daily announcements or on the bulletin board outside of the counsellor's office.

<https://ctk.staratholic.ab.ca/students/awards-and-scholarships>

# Questions?

If you require any assistance with registration, PowerSchool, School Cash, or anything else, please feel free to contact our office at 780-986-6859 and we will be happy to assist you.



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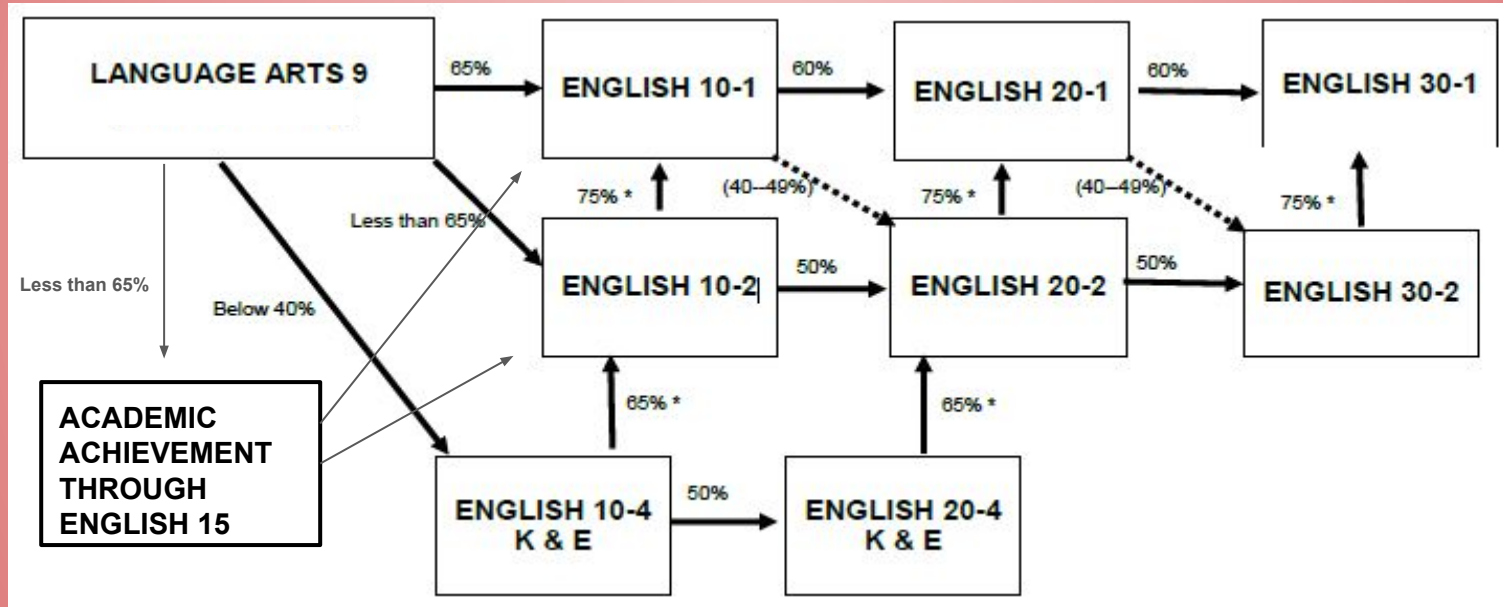


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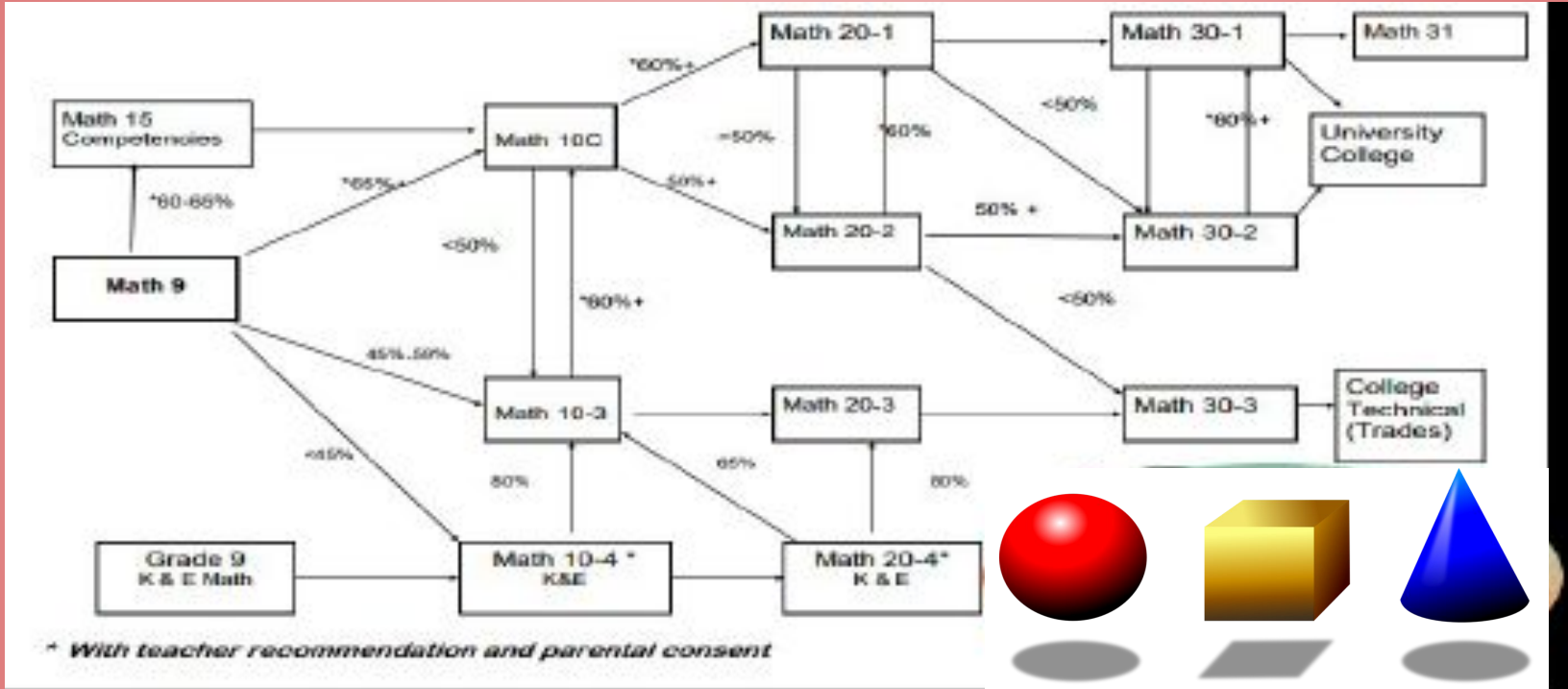
# Planning Ahead

## Grade 10 - 12 Core Course Information

### HIGH SCHOOL ENGLISH

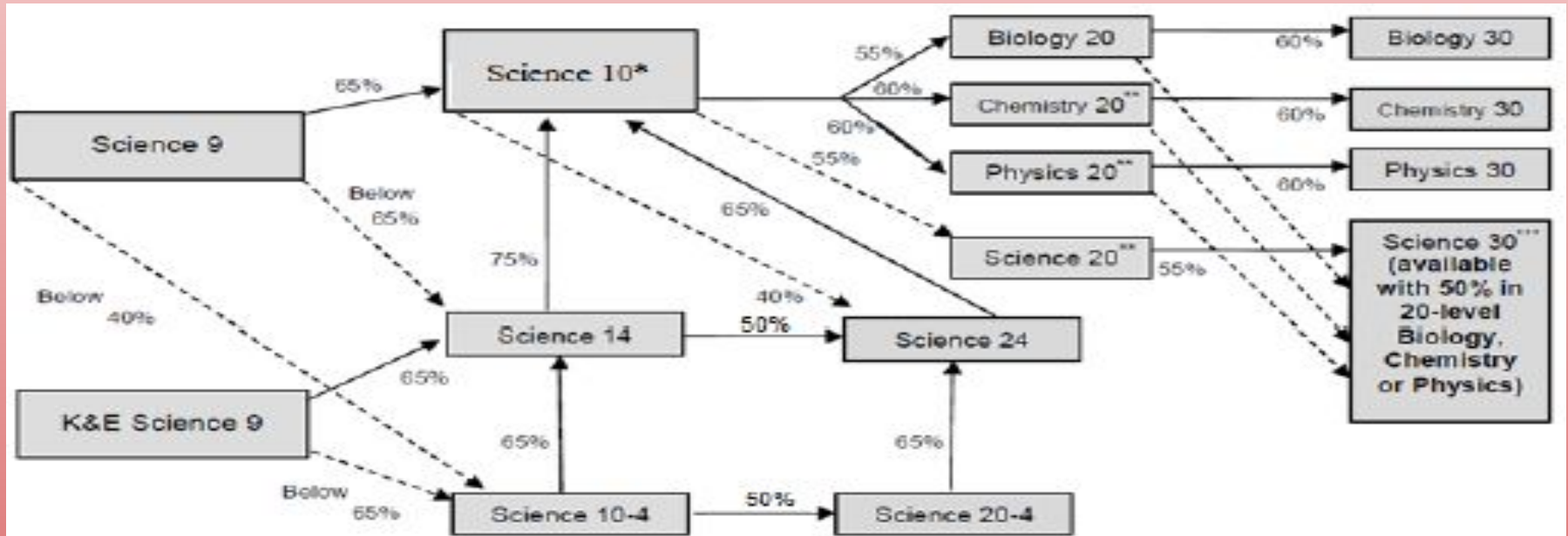


# High School Math



Note: A 20 level math is required for a Alberta High School Diploma

# **HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE**

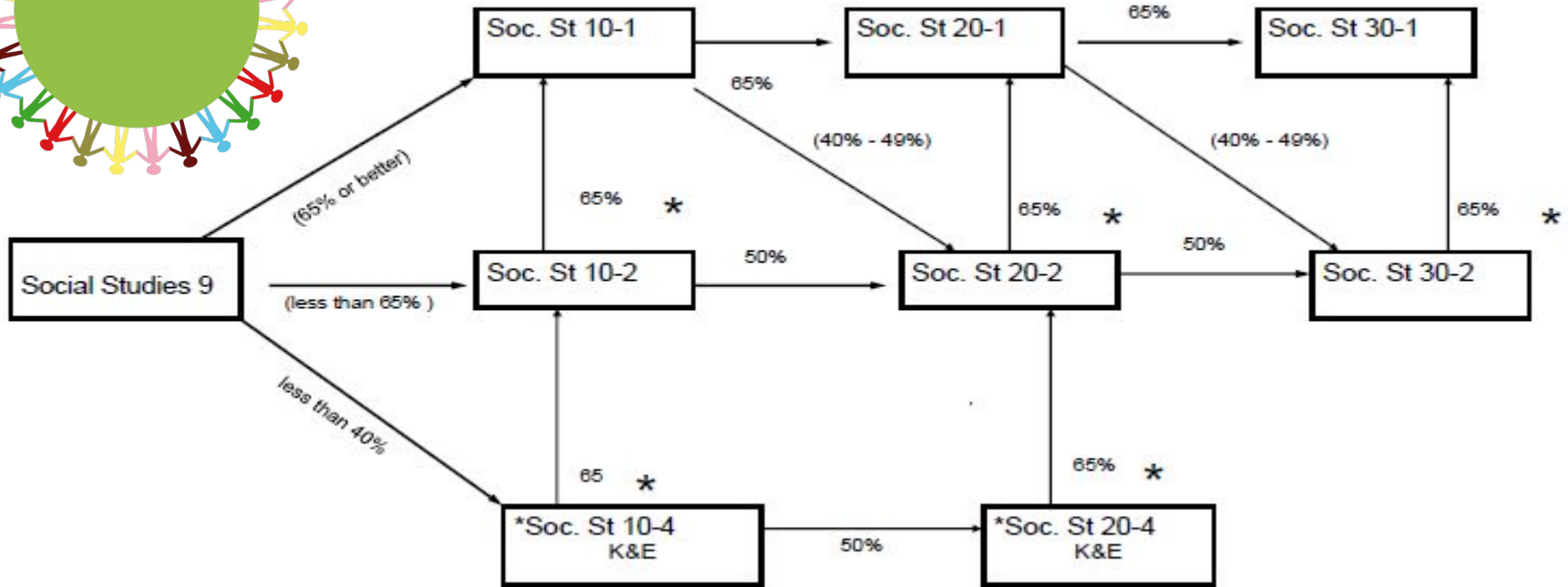


\* Math 10C recommended as a co-requisite

\*\* Math 10C recommended as a prerequisite

\*\*\* Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Physics 20 and Science 20 are ALL possible prerequisites for Science 30

# HIGH SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES



➔ *Arrows indicate possible transfer points from course sequence to course sequence.*