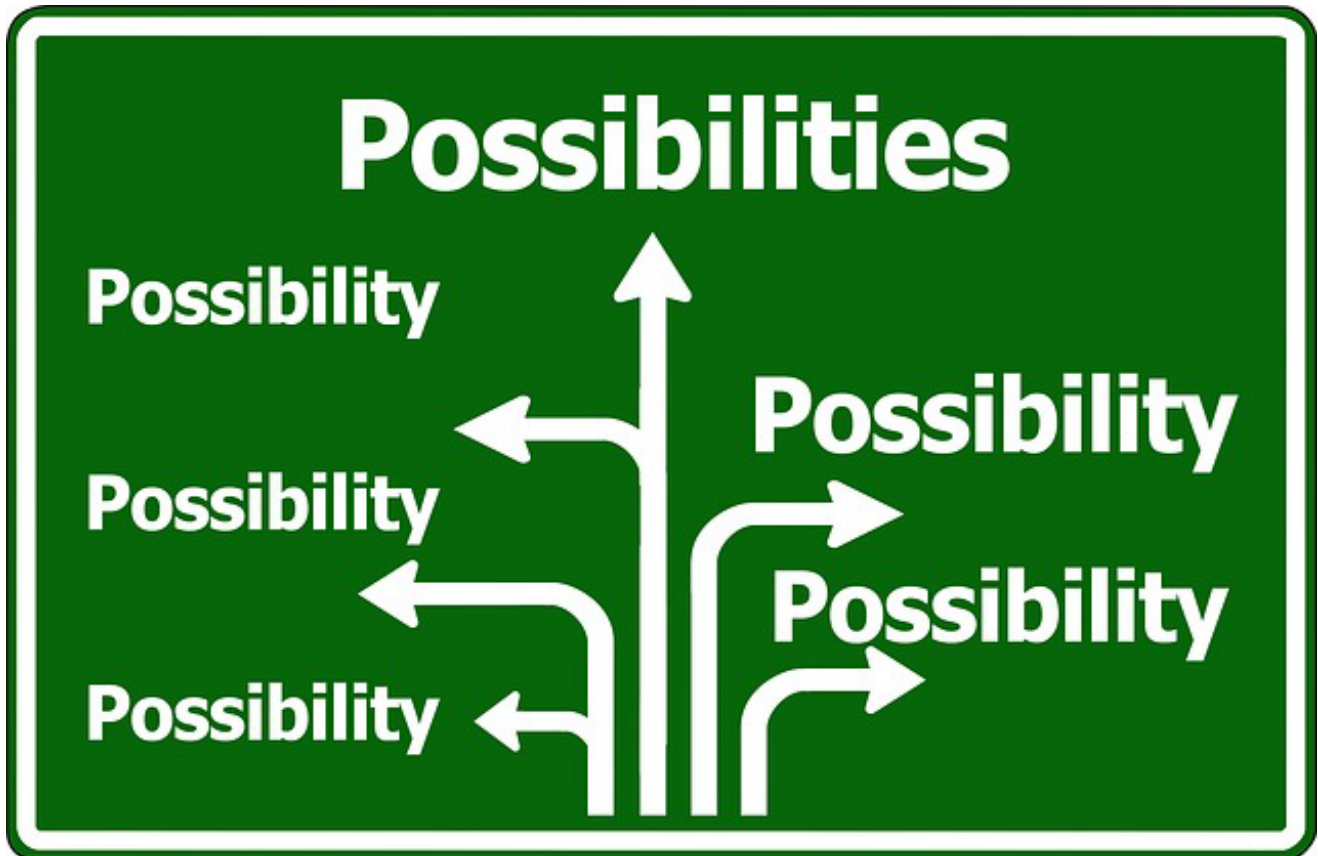


Regina Christian School



Post-Secondary Planning Information Booklet



POST-SECONDARY PLANNING

Through the excellent academic program that Regina Christian School has to offer, there are many post-secondary opportunities that become available to students upon graduation. Regina Christian School seeks to prepare students for universities and colleges in Canada and internationally. Our graduates have successfully entered into a wide variety of trades and careers. Many have pursued undergraduate programs from universities and colleges in Canada and abroad.

The RCS high school administration office offers guidance to students in applying to programs available at universities, colleges and Bible schools. Post-secondary and career planning can be started during the middle years and high school years with the online program myBlueprint - a resource that helps students plan their pre-employment and post-secondary search during class time and on their own. Students will also be given opportunities to attend career fairs as well as career spotlights in professional and trades related areas.

Being awarded a scholarship is also a great way of funding post-secondary tuition costs. There are many scholarships to apply for in Canada and North America that students should become aware of when they are in their high school years.

Our guidance office can offer advice on how to research, investigate and apply for external scholarships, bursaries and grants.

Programs offered at Regina Christian School to aid with post-secondary planning are:

- Advanced Placement Program
- Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship Program
- MyBlueprint Post-Secondary Online Planning Tool
- One-on-one Guidance Counselor consultations



Advanced Placement Program

Regina Christian School



What is Advanced Placement?

The Advanced Placement program includes college level classes regulated through the College Board. The College Board helps more than 7 million students prepare for successful transition to college through preparatory programs including the Advanced Placement program and SAT. At RCS it is an optional program designed to offer our students enrichment by encouraging students to dig deeper into subjects that interest them. The rigorous nature of the program helps high school students develop their communication and research skills and better prepare for their post-secondary studies. Most universities will grant credit in approved courses to students who achieve a 4 or 5 on international AP exams written in May of the grade 12 year. The mark attained on an AP exam will not affect the class mark that appears on a student's Ministry of Education transcript. The transcript mark reflects the achievement in meeting the outcomes of the Saskatchewan curriculum.

Who should take AP courses?

Generally, a mark of 80% or greater in a prerequisite course is suggested for students who wish to take an AP course. More important is the student's motivation and commitment to the importance of academic rigor. To be successful, students should:

- enjoy a challenge
- have a well-developed work ethic
- be self-disciplined and self-motivated to achieve
- find learning stimulating and exciting
- have a teacher's recommendation
- have parental support and approval

Difference Between AP and IB:

- Students can take 1 or more AP courses; students do not have to take all AP courses offered at a school.
- AP scores are granted after AP exams. Higher levels of rigor and critical thinking are expected of AP students.
- IB is a 2-year diploma program comprising of 13 courses.
- IB scores are based on coursework as well as the final IB exam. Higher levels of rigor and critical thinking are expected of IB students.

How to Apply and Examination Fees

If you are planning to enrol in an English, Calculus, or Science AP course, follow the recommended AP plan as set out in this brochure. If you have an interest in AP Art, Chemistry or Physics, please speak to one of the subject's teachers or the high school admin office.

Check off the Enriched or AP class(es) of your choice on the official registration form. It is recommended that students should have attained at least an 80% average in prerequisites for the specific AP subject(s).

Consult with our school counsellor and/or the vice principal in regards to your overall education plan. Discuss your education plan (including your AP options) with a parent or guardian. Teacher recommendations/references may be solicited.

The cost per student for each AP examination is \$150. Students in AP Programming will be charged the fee for each exam written.

AP Calculus AB

This course includes concepts not covered in Calculus 30 (including extended applications of derivatives, and integrals). There will be higher expectations on students to complete homework and assignments and to study individually as the rigor of this course is substantially greater than that of Calculus 30.

Students wishing to take this course must be identified early in their grade nine year because of the accelerated math courses they must take prior to grade 12.

Mathematics Strand

Grade 9:

Math 9*

*During the grade 9 year, possible AP candidates are identified by the math teachers.

Grade 10:

Foundations of Pre-Calculus 10 and Foundations 20

Grade 11:

Pre-Calculus 20 and Pre-Calculus 30

Grade 12:

AP Calculus 30 and Integral Calculus 30

AP Science

AP science is not a single course but 3 separate courses. Students can take 1 or all 3. Each of these courses offers a more in depth look at the subject material than the regular version of the class and as a result each of the courses requires 2 classes to cover the material. Students wishing to take any of these must start taking prerequisite classes for the course in grade 10. Each of the courses has an increased lab component, and better prepares students who intend to do science related university degrees.

Science Strand

Grade 9:

Science 9

*During the grade 9 year, possible AP candidates are identified by the science teachers.

Grade 10:

Enriched Science 10 and Health Science 20 or Environmental Science 20

Grade 11:

AP Biology 30 and Integral Biology 30L and/or Physical Science 20 (Enriched)

Grade 12:

AP Physics 1 and 2 30, and Integral Physics 30L and/or AP Chemistry 30 and Integral Chemistry 30L.

AP English Literature & Composition

RCS students with an 80% or above may automatically be enrolled in the Enriched and AP English courses. Students who like the rigor of this course, but do not meet the 80% cut-off average, may choose to enter the ELA AP program. We recommend students interested in writing the AP English Literature and Composition exam enroll in the Enriched ELA program for preparation. In Saskatchewan, all grade 12 students are required to complete English Language Arts A30 (Canadian literature and composition) and ELA B30 (world literature). The AP course in English literature and composition is an extension of these two courses. Students in the AP program will be expected to do a significant amount of reading, writing, research, and discussion in preparation for the AP exam. Students should, therefore, have an interest in literature and be willing to do the extra work. Students will be taught to evaluate a variety of literature, both Christian and secular, and will discuss societal values and issues from a Christ-centered perspective and Biblical mindset.

English Language Arts Strand

Grade 9:

ELA A9 and ELA B9*

*During the grade 9 year, possible AP candidates are identified by the ELA teachers.

Grade 10:

Enriched ELA 10

Grade 11:

Enriched ELA and Optional ELA 20 L

Grade 12:

AP ELA A30 and AP ELA B30

Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship Program

The Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship (SYA) program is a high school program offered through Regina Christian School. The program raises awareness of apprenticeship by helping youth discover the rewards that come with working in the skilled trades.

The program provides a strong foundation for securing and succeeding in an apprenticeship position upon graduation. Students who are interested in one of the trades professions can register into the SYA program in grade 10 and work on several projects by grade 12 which take about 20-25 hours to complete.

Some of the main benefits of completing this program are:

- waiver of registration fee to a trades training program,
- waiver of first level of technical training tuition and
- 300 hours of trade time credit.



Upon completion of this program a grade 12 student will have a record of his/her achievements, trades contracts and real-world experience which will make the process of interviewing and finding an apprenticeship after graduation easier.

Students who are interested in the SYA program should contact the high school guidance office at 306-775-0919, ext. 260.

Entrance requirements for the trades vary, please visit <http://saskapprenticeship.ca/entrance-requirements-for-apprenticeship-training/> for up-to-date information.



EDUCATION PLANNER



PARENT INFORMATION

Introducing the myBlueprint Education Planner for Students in Grades 7-12

This interactive, student-friendly education and career planning resource allows students in grades 7-12 to reflect on their learning, explore post-secondary and career options, and plan for their future.

They can easily navigate the program to:

- **Learn More About Themselves** – Complete 5 assessments (Learning Styles, Myers-Briggs Personality, Holland Interests, Knowledge, and Motivations) to learn and discover more about themselves.
- **Plan for High School** – Visually plan courses, track progress toward graduation, and instantly identify post-secondary eligibility for opportunities in all destinations.
- **Explore Post-Secondary Options** – Explore post-secondary options and compare detailed information on apprenticeships, college programs, university programs, and workplace sectors across Canada.
- **Set Career Goals** – Set goals and create action plans to help achieve them.
- **Explore and Compare Occupations** – Explore occupations and compare comprehensive information on job outlooks, salary ranges, and more, including the ability to identify occupations that are a good match.
- **Create Resumes and Cover Letters** – Record personal experiences, build resumes, and write cover letters.
- **Create Budgets** – Build a budget to learn about income and expenses and develop financial literacy.
- **Explore Job Postings** – Explore real-world job postings that relate to occupations of interest.
- **Create Interactive Portfolios for Classes or Applications** – Document and reflect on learning, keep record of important learning, and share progress with parents, teachers, or future employers.

To explore the features of myBlueprint, you can create a Family Account and link to your child's account (requires student permission). With direct access from home, you can become more informed and involved with your child's education, and support your child in making decisions about their future.

To create your Family Account, follow these simple steps:

1. Visit www.myBlueprint.ca
2. Click Sign Up at the top right corner
3. Enter your child's school Activation Key: `reginachristian`
4. Select Family
5. Complete the sign up form

To link your student:

1. Click + Add Student
2. Enter the email your child used when they created their myBlueprint account
3. Select Add Student

**Student can approve your link request by clicking on their name and selecting My Links*

Students can login by following these simple steps:

1. Visit www.myBlueprint.ca
2. Click Log in
3. Enter username and password

**Want them to send you an invitation? Have them click their Name and select My Links*

Questions? Need Help Getting Started? Contact the myBlueprint Support Team.

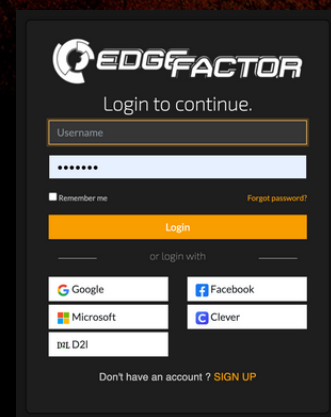
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Get Started with Edge Factor: 3 Easy Steps

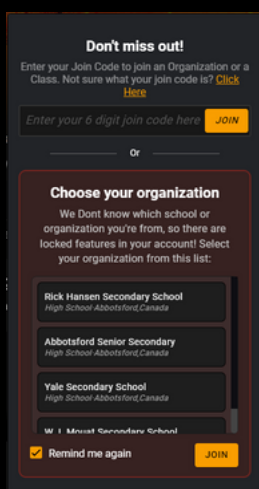
Your school has a Edge Factor membership! Educators and students can login to access thousands of videos, activities, and lesson plans to explore industries and careers, learn technical and soft skills, connect to local opportunities, and much more. You can use it in-person and virtually in classrooms, at events, and for independent student experiences.

Step 1: Login to Edge Factor with Google

1. Go to edgefactor.com
2. Click Login
3. In the pop up that appears click the "Google" button
4. Use your school email address and password to login with Google.



5. After you've logged in, a pop-up will appear (or you can click the "Join" button in the top yellow bar). Choose your school from the list!



5. You are all set! You should now see your First + Last Name and the name of your School on the top right corner of your screen. If you do not see your correct name or school or need assistance, email support@edgefactor.com.

Step 2: Discover what Edge Factor has created for you

After you login, look at the sidebar (on the left). Click on the [Journey](#) page for recommended content and links to helpful "Getting Started" tools - learn how you and your students can use Edge Factor! Then, head to the [Library](#) page to explore pages on Industry Pathways, Curriculums, Experiences, and features with videos, activities, lesson plans, and more.

Step 3: Attend a Webinar

Edge Factor's Support Team regularly hosts interactive training webinars to help Educators learn how to navigate the platform and discover new content!

REGISTER FOR A WEBINAR



Edge Factor equips educators with thousands of modular, age-appropriate media, lesson plans, and activities. Our goal is to help students get excited about their future, make informed decisions, and move forward in their career journey.

Support & Training

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