



## Welcome to Family Studies 12!

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### Description

The aim of Family Studies is to help you:

- develop the knowledge, skills, and attitudes you need to make informed decisions in life and to understand the effects of your decisions on yourself and others
- develop an understanding of your changing responsibilities to yourself, family members and friends
- to learn the importance of effective communication

The course material is split into two modules:

**Module 1:** Family in Society (Assignments 1 - 15 and Test 1)

**Module 2:** Interpersonal and Family Relationships (Assignments 16 - 25 and Test 2)

The prescribed learning outcomes as well as other information for this course can be found at the Ministry of Education's website:

[http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/pdfs/applied\\_skills/2007he\\_famstudies1012.pdf](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/pdfs/applied_skills/2007he_famstudies1012.pdf)

### Required Resources

Lessons and assessments are online, so you will need a computer with high-speed internet. All the required links to websites, text, and short videos are provided online. Once you have completed an assignment, it is submitted to the instructor for marking and the next assignment will show up. While you may work ahead using the Resource Library, **only 1 assignment can be submitted each day**. This means that it will take a **minimum of 5 weeks to complete** this course. Please note that you have up to 2 semesters to finish Family Studies 12.

If you need help or have questions, contact the course instructor.

### Assessment Strategies and Performance Standards

There are 25 assignments that are worth 50% of your grade and 2 tests that are worth 50%. Assessments are linked to learning outcomes, and assignment rubrics are found on the submission tool for each assignment. **Use the online *My Grades* tool to view results and read teacher comments for marked work.**

### To Begin

Register, then access your course [through http://www.virtualschoolbc.ca](http://www.virtualschoolbc.ca) and follow the instructions on the Family Studies 12 Home Page.