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COURSE OUTLINE

Department Name:	Science
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Course Name:	Grade 9 Academic Science
Course Code:	SNC1D1

Course Description:	This course enables students to develop their understanding of basic concepts in biology, chemistry, earth and space science, and physics, and to relate science to technology, society and the environment. Throughout the course, students will develop their skills in the processes of scientific investigation. Students will acquire an understanding of scientific theories and conduct investigations related to sustainable ecosystems; atomic and molecular structures and the properties of elements and compounds; the study of the universe and its properties and components; and the principles of electricity.
Strands/ Units:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry: Atoms, Elements and Compounds• Physics: The Characteristics of Electricity• Biology: Sustainable Ecosystems• Earth and Space Science: The Study of the Universe
Catholic Graduate Expectations:	This course helps students to meet the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations by examining, evaluating and applying knowledge of interdependent systems (physical, political, ethical, socio-economic and ecological) for the development of a just and compassionate society.

Assessment and Evaluation:

Category Weightings	Weight
Knowledge/Understanding	25%
Thinking	35%
Application	25%
Communication	15%

Final Summative Assessments	Grade Distribution
Term Work	70%
Culminating Performance Task	10%
Exam	20%

