CLASS 9 / 2026–27

Aligning with the new CBSE curriculum

Teacher readiness checklist

NCF-SE 2023 & NEP 2020 aligned
Prepared for department discussion

Assessment Pattern Shift

- [ ] Understand new paper split: 30% descriptive, 20% MCQ, 50% competency-based questions
- [ ] Redesign internal tests/worksheets to reflect this ratio, not only end-of-term exams
- [ ] Build a bank of application/competency-based questions per chapter
- [ ] Review internal assessment rubrics to reward thinking, not just recall

Subject-Specific Content Changes

- Mathematics: new Ganita Manjari textbook; AP & GP now introduced in Class 9
- Science: two-level system, Proficiency (all students) & Advanced (JEE/NEET track)
- English: transition to the new integrated Kaveri textbook
- Social Science: adapt to the reorganised, India-centric integrated structure
- Weave in Indian traditions/scientific history where the syllabus calls for it

Language & Skill Requirements

- [ ] Confirm teachers assigned to the third language (R3) requirement
- [ ] Check applicability of AI / Computational Thinking modules for Class 9 timetable
- [ ] Map assessment for the 4 new compulsory areas: Art, PE, Vocational, Interdisciplinary (internal only)

Pedagogical Shift

- ☐ Shift from rote delivery to application/competency-based teaching
- ☐ Include at least one applied activity per unit (not just recall-based tasks)
- ☐ Build spiral-learning scaffolds for topics moved down from higher classes
- ☐ Cross-check lesson plans against renumbered/regrouped NCERT chapters

Logistics & Readiness

- [ ] Procure and verify updated textbooks/PDFs against the official CBSE portal
- [ ] Conduct a subject-wise orientation session before the term progresses
- [ ] Identify teachers needing upskilling (Advanced Math/Science, AI modules)
- [ ] Set a mid-term checkpoint to review alignment with the new pattern