



August 2018

Dear Bluevale Students, Parents and Guardians:

Welcome to the 2018 – 2019 school year! To those students who are new to Bluevale, I would like to extend a warm welcome and to our returning students I look forward to seeing you again on the first day. I hope you are looking forward to a successful year and that you are already thinking about the student activities that you will be involved with throughout the year. These experiences will provide you with wonderful memories.

The first day of school is **Tuesday, September 4, 2018**. It is expected that all students will be in attendance on the first day of school. Please read the following information carefully and check Bluevale's website at <http://bci.wrdsb.ca> after August 27th for any updates and other school start up information.

Opening Day General Information:

Please see attached "First Day Schedule" for information regarding opening day school start up and grade 9 orientation. Registration packages will be distributed in homeroom for **all** students. Homeroom lists will be posted as early as Friday, August 31st, for any students interested in having this information before opening day. We will begin to follow our regular schedule on Wednesday, September 5th.

Transportation:

Bus Transportation information will be available on August 20th, please visit www.stswr.ca. You will need your OEN (Ontario Education Number) from your report card to log-in. Questions about School Bus Transportation can be directed to Student Transportation Services of Waterloo Region at 519-650-4934 ext. 221. Bus Schedules will be posted in the main hallway outside the library the first week of September. **Please note that buses will run at regular times on September 4th, 2018 (opening day).**

On- Line School Year Information

Please ensure that you visit our website at <http://bci.wrdsb.ca/> and click on "School Year Information" to receive important information from both Bluevale and the WRDSB. This online resource contains information regarding school year start-up such as; the school year calendar, safe schools protocol, and other information that may be helpful for a successful year in school.

School Day

Bluevale Collegiate uses School-Day--an online cashless and communication system. At Bluevale we only accept payments on School-Day or in cash. School-Day can be accessed from any web browser and gives you real-time access to up-to-date information and the ability to: receive communication, approve permission forms online; register for extracurricular events, make online payments for student cards, sports fees, yearbooks, trips or other activities, etc. If you are not a School-Day user, please follow the link on website for more information. **If you already use School-Day please add Bluevale Collegiate to your schools.**

I am excited about all the opportunities for students at Bluevale during the 2018-2019 school year. I hope you are also looking forward to the upcoming year. Have a safe enjoyable remainder of the summer.

Sincerely

Deborah Tyrrell
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