
Sunnyside Guidance



Welcome to the 2019/2020
High School Information Session

Grade 8-9

Transition Process

DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS
OSSD
Ontario Secondary School Diploma

30 CREDITS



18 COMPULSORY

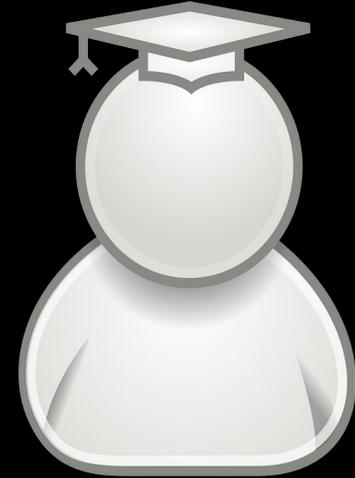
12 ELECTIVES

Plus

40 hours of Community Involvement &
Successful Completion of Literacy Requirement

COMPULSORY SUBJECTS

- 4 credits in ENGLISH
- 3 credits in MATHEMATICS
- 2 credits in SCIENCE
- 1 credit in GEOGRAPHY
- 1 credit in HISTORY
- 1 credit FRENCH
- 1 credit ARTS
- 1 credit PHYSICAL EDUCATION
- 1/2 credit in CIVICS
- 1/2 credit in CAREER STUDIES



...that makes a total of 15 out of the 18 required credits. Three more credits in specific areas are required.

More Compulsory Credits

1 credit from each group

- ①
 - English
 - Third Language
 - Social Science
 - Canadian and World Studies
 - Guidance and Career Education
 - Cooperative Education*
 - French as a Second Language
- ②
 - Health & Phys. Ed.
 - Arts
 - Business
 - Cooperative Education*
 - French as a Second Language
- ③

 - Science, Gr. 11 or 12
 - Technological Education, Gr. 9-12
 - Cooperative Education*

* Note: a maximum of two Cooperative Education courses may be taken



12 ELECTIVES



- DRAMATIC ARTS
- MUSIC - INSTRUMENTAL
- MUSIC - VOCAL
- VISUAL ARTS
- PHYSICAL EDUCATION
- BUSINESS
- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
- INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES
- INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY LIVING



Course Type & Destination

GRADE 9 AND 10

- ACADEMIC
- APPLIED
- ESSENTIAL
- OPEN

GRADE 11 AND 12

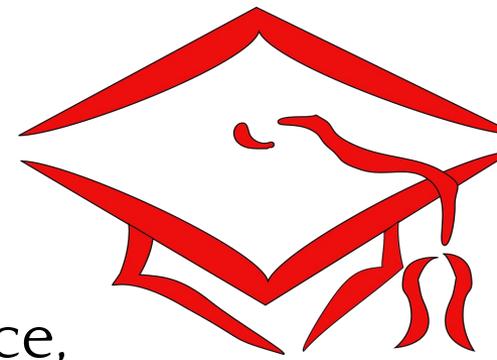
- UNIVERSITY
- UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE
- COLLEGE
- WORKPLACE
- OPEN



Courses

- Offered in core areas: English, Math, Science, History, Geography, French
- Students will learn the essential concepts of a subject and explore related materials
- Emphasis will be on theory and abstract thinking as a basis for future learning
- Lead to senior courses preparing for university and college
- **Careful consideration of the student's ability**
- Students should be independent learners with learning skills in the good to excellent range

Applied Courses



- Offered in core areas: English, Math, Science, History, Geography, French
- Emphasis will be on the practical and hands-on applications of the concepts that you can apply in real life situations
- The course focuses on the essential concepts of a subject
- Lead to senior courses preparing for college, apprenticeship, skilled trades, and the workplace
- Careful consideration of the student's ability

Essential Courses (Fast Forward - GRCI)

- Emphasis will be in the practical and hands-on applications that will help students to improve their skills for functioning in everyday life and in the workplace.
- Students who are more successful in an environment with additional teacher direction and varied instruction find success in these courses
- Hands on learning, smaller class sizes
- Lead to senior courses preparing students for the workplace



Open Courses

- Set of Expectations that is suitable for all students at a given grade level
- Provides students with a broad educational base
- Personal interest courses to gain experience in who and what you are
- Available in subjects like Physical Education, Technology, etc.



SAMPLE

GR 9 STUDENT TIMETABLE

Semestered School

SEMESTER 1

SEPT. TO JANUARY

ENGLISH

SCIENCE

FRENCH

ELECTIVE

(e.g. Physical Education)

- SEMESTER 2

- *FEBRUARY TO JUNE*

- **MATHEMATICS**

- **GEOGRAPHY**

- **ELECTIVE** *(e.g. art)*

- **ELECTIVE**

- (e.g. Integrated Technology)*

Frequently Asked Questions



- Will there be an opportunity to switch courses during grade 9, e.g., Academic to Applied?

Not likely due to timetable constraints

- Is it possible to change course types from grade 9 to 10?

Yes, in all core courses except math (from academic to applied)

Frequently Asked Questions



- What happens when a student or parent chooses a course type other than what is recommended by the teacher?

Secondary schools enter the information selected by the student or parent. It is strongly encouraged that parents, students and teachers talk about why they have different opinions.



Question



Does a student have to take all the same course types?

No, students can select different types for the core courses according to their strengths, work habits, and learning style. E.g. academic English, applied Science



Frequently Asked Question

- I am really nervous about going to high school. How can I feel better about this?
- *There are several opportunities to go and visit the high schools (Gala - Nov. 28, parent nights, Gr. 8 visits in May, sporting events, alternate schedule the first day of school, etc.). If you become familiar with the building it becomes less intimidating. You can also talk to your teachers or Mrs. Mellow about your fears and we can help.*

Next steps...



- decide if you would like to apply for a magnet program, if so, find out more about the program and the application process.
- go to information sessions and talk with family members and friends about high school
- work to the best of your ability so that teachers can make appropriate recommendations for high school courses
- beginning of February - Teachers will fill out a recommendation for each student on whether they should take academic, applied or essential courses in grade 9.
- at the end of February Mrs. Mellow and core teachers will work with Sunnyside students to make their course selections online using My Way.

**Integrated Arts Package at
ECI student information
session - Wednesday,
November 13 at 1st break
in the library**

**International Baccalaureate
at CHCI student info session-
Wednesday, November 13 at
2nd break in the library**

Parent Information Nights

Cameron Heights IB Information:

Tuesday, November 19 7pm

Grand River: Wednesday, November 20 6pm

Eastwood: Thursday, December 5 7pm

- meet administration, teachers, support staff
- tour the school
- program and course information

What do I do if I do not want to go to my home high school?

The school that you go to is based on your home address. If you want to go to a different school you have the following options:

- apply to a magnet program (IB, IAP, etc)
- have parents fill out a principal-to-principal transfer form explaining the reasons that you want to go to a different school. You can get this form from the office or Mrs. Mellow. It must be signed by Mr. Lovell and returned to the office by February 3, 2019.

Advice from Gr. 9 students

- Recognize your talents
- Get to bed early
- Pick the right courses
- Get involved – it makes high school more fun!
- The media makes you afraid of high school – it's not like that at all with the different social groups and stuff. I wish I knew that before I came, that it's not that scary
- I was worried about getting lost but it's really not a big deal.
- There is a lot more homework!
- Don't be late for class!

How to use My Way

- ❑ all students can access My Way and select courses in February
- ❑ it can be done at home, but Mrs. Mellow will meet with all classes and help them with the process during this time
- ❑ all students will bring home a copy of their course selection sheet and need to have it signed by a parent/guardian
- ❑ signed copies must be returned to school by March 2, 2020
- ❑ the following slides provide instructions on how to use My Way



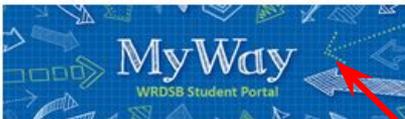
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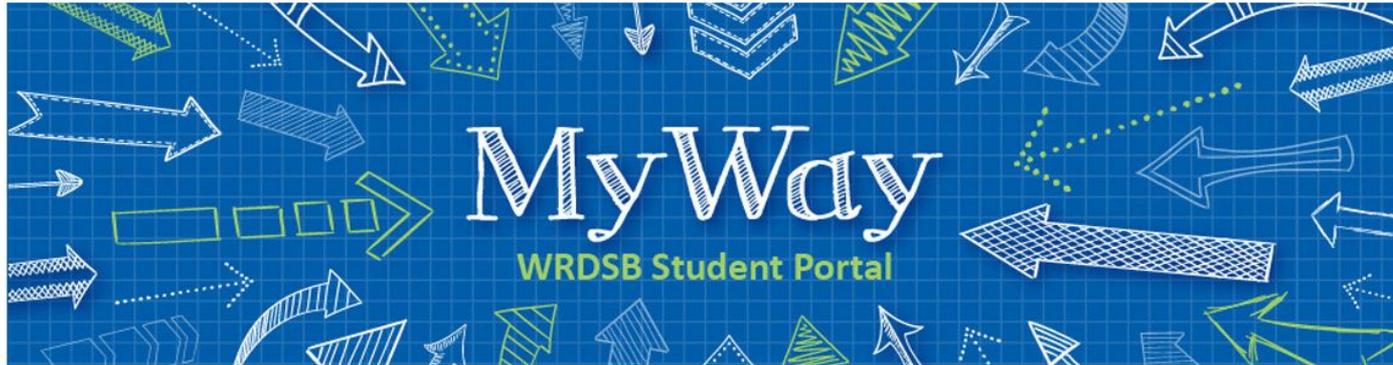
News & Announcements

Knights Junior Football Team—Champions!!!!

Posted November 17, 2014



My Way tab found on each school's home-page



MyWay Login

For students currently registered at a WRDSB Secondary School

Username

Password

Login

Commonly Used Web Applications

Google Apps	Virtual Learning	Career Cruising
MyPortfolio	MyEmail	MyPassword
MyFiles	ONTAP	OSP
DreamBox	Homework Help	

Student (PAL Passwords)



Home	Diploma	SHSM	Courses	Transcript	Course Requests	Logout
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Home > Student > Course Requests

Course Requests

- I will be returning to this School Board.
- I will be entering university in September.
- I will be entering college in September.
- I plan to enter college or university at a later date.
- I will be going to work or starting an apprenticeship in September.
- I will be moving to another School Board in September.

Are you registered for any of the following?

- Integrated Arts
- International Baccalaureate
- English as a second language
- Fast Forward
- Strings
- French (Extended)
- French (Immersion)

Next

**Waterloo Region District School
Board**

51 Ardelt Avenue
Kitchener, ON N2C 2R5



Course Request

[Printer friendly version](#)

Course Type: Regular Online/E-Learning Dual Credits/OYAP Native Other

Grade: Grade: 09 Grade: 10 Grade: 11 Grade: 12

Course: **Alternate Course**

[Add Course](#)

Course Requests

	ID	Program	Course	Course Type	Title	Value	Alternate	Recommended
Delete	71	Open	BTT1OB	Day	Information and Communication Techn	1.00		NA
Delete	72	Locally Developed	ENG1LI	Day	English	1.00		NA

Courses: 2 **Credits:** 2

Alternate Courses: 0 **Alternate Credits:** 0

Grade 9 students must choose a total of 8 credits.

5 compulsory credits:

- Canadian Geography
- ✓ English
- French
- Mathematics
- Science

3 elective credits:

- ✓ Elective
- Elective
- Elective



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- ADA1OI - Open - Dramatic Arts
- ALC1OB - Open - Integrated Arts
- AMI1OI - Open - Music-Instrumental
- AMI1OX - Open - Music-Instrumental
- AMS1OI - Open - Music-Strings
- AMS1OX - Open - Instrumental Music -Strings
- AVI1OI - Open - Visual Arts
- BTT1OB - Open - Information and Communication Techn
- BTT1OI - Open - Information and Communication Techn
- CGC1DF - Academic - Issues in Canadian Geography -French
- CGC1DI - Academic - Geography of Canada
- CGC1PB - Applied - Geography of Canada
- CGC1PI - Applied - Geography of Canada
- ENG1DI - Academic - English
- ENG1LI - Locally Developed - English
- ENG1PI - Applied - English
- FEF1DI - Academic - French-Extended
- FSF1DI - Academic - French
- FSF1PI - Applied - French
- GLE1OI - Open - Learn Strat

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Add Course

All students print a confirmation sheet to be signed by parents

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Courses: 7 Credits: 7 Alternate Courses: 1 Alternate Credits: 1

Selected magnet programs: International Baccalaureate



Waterloo Region
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MyWay - Secondary online course requests

Course Requests for: Tony Stark - OEN: 333333333

School name: Bluevale CI(BCI) School year: 20152016 Grade: 09

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163	Academic	ENG1DI	Day	English	1.00		NA
164	Applied	FSF1PI	Day	French	1.00		NA
162	Academic	MPM1DI	Day	Math-Princip	1.00		NA
161	Open	PPL1OX	Day	Heal Act Liv	1.00		NA
159	Applied	SNC1PI	Day	Science	1.00		NA
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**Recommendations
will be indicated**

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

My guidance counsellor's name
is: _____

Parent Signature

Signed Confirmation Sheets:
kept by Grade 8 school for
one year

QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?



PLEASE CONTACT:

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