

Welcome to WCI!

Grade 8 Magnet Programs
Information Night

Our Mission...

“To value **diversity**, work towards **excellence** and inspire a **passion** for living.”



EXCELSIOR – Value Diversity, Work Towards Excellence, Inspire a Passion

- VIP – Viking Integration Program
- Advanced Placement Program
- Strong Magnet Programs
- Academics, Athletics, Activities;
- Community Relationships
- ESL Support
- Social Justice Commitment

EXCELSIOR *-Inspire a Passion*
RECENT EVIDENCE GR. 10 Strings

WATERLOO COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE
Intermediate Orchestra

Semester Implementation:
The Bar is HIGH

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and inspire a **passion** for living.”

These Principles MUST APPLY
to our NEW school Format!

WCI IS CHANGING TO A SEMESTER
SCHEDULE IN SEPTEMBER 2015

Semester Implementation: *The Bar is HIGH*

THE BASICS

- Most Common; 2 day rotation, 75 min. periods, 60 min common lunch
- Same course selection
- Computer will schedule 4 classes in Semester 1 and 4 classes Semester 2

Visit WCI Website for ongoing information:
<http://wci.wrdsb.ca/>

PERIOD	BELL TIME	DAY 1	DAY 2
1	8:15 9:30	A	A
2	9:35 10:50	B	B
COMMON LUNCH (Block C) 10:50 – 11:50			
3	11:50 1:05	C	D
4	1:10 2:25	D	C

Student Leadership

A few words from....

Mike Williams and Mitch Phillips

2014-2015 Co-Mayors

What is a Magnet Program?

A Magnet is a Board designated specialized program offered at sites around the region that students who are out of boundary for that school may apply to.



WCI MAGNET PROGRAMS:

ESL

Extended French

Strings

Geo-Tech (grade 11/12)

How Do We Enter a Magnet Program?

- Boundaries Apply
- Know Your Home Secondary School
- Be aware that Transportation is NOT provided
- No additional fees are charged



Magnet Criteria for 2014

- Experienced Strings Students WITHOUT WRDSB Gr. 7/8 Strings course must **APPLY and book Audition by JAN. 16, 2015, and ACCEPT the Program by Feb. 13, 2015**

Strings Magnet Entry for 2014



- ✓ *Students in the WCI boundary OR attending on another magnet* may sign up for strings
- ✓ *Students outside the WCI boundary* are governed by a magnet boundary and **MUST** have **previous strings experience** (Gr. 8 school or private lessons)
- ✓ **Students not enrolled in a WRDSB elementary strings program** must **apply and book audition** by Jan. 16, and **Accept the Program** by Feb. 13

Strings Magnet Entry for 2014

STRINGS Boundary for WCI:

- ✓ IF your home secondary school is: **WCI, EDSS, SJAMSS, FHCI, KCI, WODSS**, you may come to the WCI Strings Magnet *



***Note:** *Experienced strings course selection (AMS101) is required*

How do I find my Home Secondary School?

WRDSB Website QUICK LINKS – SCHOOL FINDER

The screenshot shows the Waterloo Region District School Board website. The browser address bar displays 'www.wrdsb.ca'. The website header includes the WRDSB logo and a search bar. A navigation menu contains links for Home, Learning, Our Schools, Community, Trustees, Careers, and About. The main content area features a 'News & Announcements' section with a post titled 'Bus Cancellation & School Closure – November 18, 2014'. To the right, a 'Quick Links' section highlights the 'School Finder' link. Below it, an 'Upcoming Events' section lists events for November 18th and 19th. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the date as Tuesday, November 18, 2014, at 10:48 AM.

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Bus Cancellation & School Closure – November 18, 2014

Posted November 18, 2014

Due to the current weather conditions, ALL SCHOOL BUSES, TAXI and SPECIAL EDUCATION ROUTES in Wellesley, Willmot, and Woolwich Townships are cancelled. The schools listed are closed for the day and ALL evening rental permits at these schools are cancelled. The following schools are closed: Floradale PS Linwood PS Waterloo-Oxford DSS Transportation in all other [...]

Categories: Feature,Uncategorized

Engagement Night for the New Riverside PS in Elmira

Quick Links

- How to Register
- Before & After School Programs
- [School Finder](#)
- Bus Eligibility Student Transportation Services of Waterloo Region (STSWR)
- What is CASL?

Upcoming Events

NOV 18 Tue	7:00 pm French Immersion Info Night @ Sir John A Macdonald Secondary School
NOV	7:00 pm Public Information Meeting

https://bpweb.stswr.ca/Eligibility.aspx?Page=School

How do I find my Home Secondary School?

Which School? Screen –

Enter address, WRDSB, Gr. 9 and Submit.

GeoQuery - Eligibility - Windows Internet Explorer
https://www.stswr.ca/Eligibility.aspx?Page=School


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GeoQuery - Eligibility

[Home : Eligibility Query](#)

School Eligibility: 20122013



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How do I find my Home Secondary School?

Your home secondary school will come up on the screen.


GeoQuery - Eligibility - Windows Internet Explorer
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GeoQuery - Eligibility

House Number: 300 Street: HAZEL ST City: WATERLOO
Board: Waterloo Region District School Board Grade: 09
New Search Submit



Address: 300 HAZEL ST, WATERLOO
[Waterloo C.I.](#)
Address: 300 HAZEL ST
City: WATERLOO
Phone: 519-884-9590

Available Grades for Boundary **Waterloo C.I.**
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[View Transportation Eligibility](#)

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More Strings....



- ✓ If you are entering with an application (by Jan. 16) and audition; Notification of your acceptance will occur **AT THE AUDITION**
- ✓ Participation in a Gr. 8 Strings class will also qualify you for advanced strings without audition (**WCI, EDSS, SJAMSS, FHCI, KCI, WODSS**)

SEMESTER Implementation: Strings

In order to ensure EXCELLENCE, the Strings Program at WCI in Semester Schedule will:

- Run in FULL YEAR format in GRADE 9 ONLY
- Thus, in Grade 9, a compulsory credit will run all year as well , ONLY for AMS1OI Strings Students.
- Compulsory is To Be Determined
- In Grade 10, Strings in Semester 1, Repertoire HIGHLY Recommended
- In Grade 11, 12 Strings, Repertoire is OPTIONAL

Extended French Magnet Entry for 2014



- ✓ *Students outside the WCI boundary are governed by a boundary*

EF Boundary for WCI:

- ✓ IF your home secondary school is: **WCI, BCI, EDSS** and you are in a Gr. 8 partial immersion program then you may come to EF at WCI.

More Extended French...



- Extended French -no special interview or application process
- Partial or Full French Immersion program in Grade 8 is required
- There is a selection for WCI Extended French on the Gr. 8 online course selection (MY WAY)
- A certificate is granted once 7 courses are completed

More Extended French...

- The Extended French certificate is currently based on:
 - Grade 9 – 12 French (4 credits)
 - Gr. 9 Geography
 - Gr. 10 History
 - Gr. 10 Careers/Civics

SEMESTER Implementation: Extended French

In order to ensure EXCELLENCE, the Extended French Program at WCI in Semester Schedule will:

- GRADE 9 - Run the two Extended French Courses both semesters; For example, Semester 1 FEF, Semester 2 Extended French Geography
- GRADE 10 – Run the three Extended French Courses Both Semesters
- Grade 11 and 12 – Strategic Placement of FEF courses to allow for balance against Co-curricular options, and Advanced Placement Options for French.

English as a Second Language

ESL/ELD is at the
recommendation
of the Grade 8 school

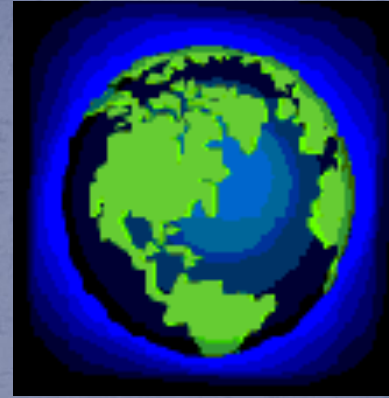


SEMESTER Implementation: ESL/ELD

In order to ensure EXCELLENCE, the ESL/ELD Program at WCI in Semester Schedule will:

- Have ESL course in both semesters to allow student to complete two levels of ESL in ONE Year.
- Ensure a BALANCE of 'sheltered' compulsory and elective ESL credits in both semesters; For example Semester 1 ESL Business, Semester 2 ESL Visual Art

Geo-Technology



- Grade 11 entry
- Complete a school transfer form at your home school at end of Grade 10
- Specialized courses take advantage of a state of the art GIS lab.

How do I Register and Pick Courses if Attending a WCI Magnet?

Gr. 8 Extended French, Strings, ESL

- Select the WCI magnet in your Gr. 8 online 'MY WAY' course selection (beginning of March)
- Complete and submit to your Gr. 8 school a 'WCI Magnet Student Profile' form.

NO Gr. 8 Strings Program

- ACCEPT the Program with the WCI Guidance Office and Gr. 8 School by Feb. 13, 2015
- Select the WCI magnet in your Gr. 8 online 'MY WAY' course selection (beginning of March)

Please call our Guidance department at 519-884-9590 ext. 2636 for help if you need it!

Non-Magnet Program: Advanced Placement

Craig Nickel

Guidance Counselor and AP
Coordinator

What is “Advanced Placement”?

- Advanced Placement (AP) is an internationally recognized standard of academic excellence administered by the College Board of America
- Students in Grade 12 write a standardized exam on a common date in the first two weeks of May
- Exams are graded on a scale of 1-to-5
- <http://apcentral.collegeboard.com>

Benefits of AP

- Significant enrichment opportunity (depth and breadth of curriculum)
- Flexibility – students select the AP courses they are suited to
- Preparation for university material, pace and independent learning
- Higher Ontario report card marks (usually!)
- Opportunity to earn university transfer credits

WCI – An Accredited AP School!

- All AP courses offered at WCI have been audited by the College Board and have been certified as meeting the rigorous standards of AP
- AP courses completed at WCI are eligible to receive an official AP designation on the Ontario transcript

2013-2014 AP Results for WCI

- 83% of all WCI exams received a grade of “4” or “5”
- Average grade of all WCI exams was 4.39
- 7 students recognized as “AP Scholars”
- 6 students recognized as “AP Scholars with Distinction”
- 5 students recognized as “AP National Scholars”

AP Courses offered at WCI 2014-15

- ENG 4UW (English)
- FEF & FSF 4UW (French)
- MHF 4UW & MCV 4UW (Calculus AB & BC)
- SBI 4UW (Biology)
- SCH 4UW (Chemistry)
- SPH 4UW (Physics)

Pre-AP at WCI

- In order to prepare Grade 12 students as fully as possible for their AP courses, WCI offers pre-AP enrichment courses in Grades 9,10,11
- These courses cover the Ontario curriculum (OSS) but involve enrichment work well beyond the scope of OSS

Pre-AP at WCI (Cont'd)

GRADE 9 PRE-AP

- ENG 1DW (English)
- MPM 1DW (Math)
- SNC 1DW (Science)

GRADE 10 PRE-AP

- ENG 2DW (English)
- FSF 2DW (French)
- MPM 2DW (Math)
- SNC 2DW (Science)

Pre-AP at WCI (Cont'd)

GRADE 11 PRE-AP

- ENG 3UW (English)
- FSF 3UW (French)
- MCR 3UW (Math)

GRADE 11 AP

- SBI 3UW (Biology)
- SCH 3UW (Chemistry)
- SPH 3UW (Physics)

Profile of a Strong Pre-AP/AP Candidate

- Academic excellence in the chosen subject area (> 85% or Level 4)
- Excellent command of spoken and written language
- Strong work ethic
- Enthusiastic and self-motivated

Profile of a Strong Pre-AP/AP Candidate

- Enjoys challenging work
- Possesses curiosity and passion for the subject
- Involved in the extracurricular life of the school
- Willing to assume leadership

Enrolling in AP Courses at WCI

- Meet the requirements of the Profile of a Pre-AP/AP student
- Obtain a Pre-AP or AP Application form tonight or on the WCI website or from your Guidance Counselor
- Separate Form for EACH course you will apply to

Enrolling in AP Courses at WCI

- Submit the completed application directly to WCI in person or by e-mail (sharon_dotchin-gravelle@wrdsb.on.ca)
- Due dates for applications:
 - Gr. 8 – Fri. Jan. 12, 2015
 - Gr. 9-12 – Fri. March 6, 2015

Acceptance in Pre-AP/AP Courses

- Student applications will be reviewed by Mr. Nickel in consultation with the WCI faculty responsible for the AP courses
- Invitations will be extended to successful candidates:
 - Gr. 8 – Thurs. Jan. 15, 2015
 - Gr. 9-12 – late April 2015

Thank You!

General Questions: Front Foyer

Specific Interest Areas:

Room and times are on the Agenda

in

15 minute intervals.