Welcome Grade 9's!

GUIDANCE SERVICES General Information

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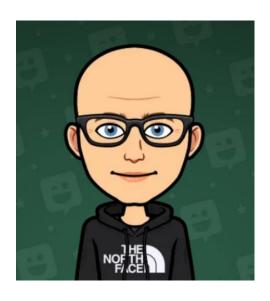
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Today's Goals...

- What can Guidance do for you?
- Who is your guidance counsellor?
- Be aware of the graduation requirements
- Ask any questions that are on your mind about Huron

What can guidance do for you???

Google Classrooms

Stay Connected

Please join the guidance student classroom so you don't miss out on important dates, scholarship information & other resources.

GUIDANCE GOOGLE CLASS CODE (all grades):

c57mh6x



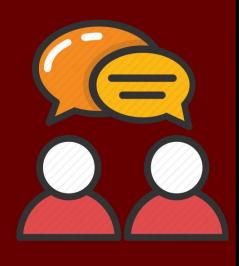
Educational Counselling

- Assistance with choosing courses type, level, interests, post-secondary
- Educational plans
- Study skills, Peer tutoring, resources
- Night school, Virtual school, E-learning,
 Academic Exchanges, Summer school, other
 YRDSB programs
- All your records are with us CCS, OSR



Career Counselling

- Research of post-secondary programs leading to specific careers
- Personality inventories matching careers
- Career centre
- Job board outside Guidance office
- Assistance with resumes (both work and sport),
 cover letters, job applications



Personal Counselling

Listen and assist with making decisions, resolving conflict, problem-solving

- Referrals to Professional Counseling
- YRDSB Social worker
- Additional specialized social workers support the following communities: LGBTQ plus, African Caribbean, Chinese, East Asian/ Tamil, Indigenous, and International Students Social Worker
- Specialized counsellors can be arranged to support at school such as a trauma counsellor, bereavement counsellors, addiction counsellors

We are teachers not social workers. We try to help by making connections for you with internal and external services, where need be.

All Guidance Conversations are Confidential <u>unless</u> your safety or safety of others is at risk.

Confidentiality

^{*} or if you want to change a course not approved by parents

Appointments



How to Make a Guidance Appointment

- □ PLEASE DO NOT USE THE APP! IT IS NOT SUPPORTED BY TA
- Scroll Down until you see the counsellors names and appointment blocks
- Select the person, date and time that is most convenient (You will not be called down)
- Although we recommend that you see your alpha counsellor please feel free to see anyone.
- Drop ins are possible if it is a time where you need to talk to someone ASAP.
- ☐ Please come to guidance if you are having any issues.



Guidance would like to see all grade 9 students before the end of this semester. Try booking an appointment now for a quick meeting with a guidance counsellor.

Where can you go if you need support?

With teacher permission, you are welcome in:

Guidance Office

Room 305

Special Education Resource Room

Room 312

Room 315

Main Office - if you forget where to go:)

Report It!



It is important that everyone feels safe and respected at all times during the day and after hours. It is your responsibility as part of the **Huron Heights community to** let either guidance or another adult that you trust know if you are not feeling safe or if you think someone else isn't safe. You can also use the "REPORT IT" button on our school's website. You have option to report anonymously or to leave your name.



OSSD Graduation Requirements -Students Entering High School September 2024 and Beyond

30 Credits: 17 Compulsory Credits and 13 Optional Credits

Compulsory credits are comprised of the following:

- 4 credits in English (1 credit per grade)*
- 3 credits in Mathematics (1 credit in Grade 11 or 12)**
- 2 credits in Science
- 1 credit in Technology (Grade 9 or 10)
- 1 credit in Canadian History (Grade 10)
- 1 credit in Canadian Geography (Grade 9)
- 1 credit in The Arts
- 1 credit in Health and Physical Education
- 1 credit in French as a Second Language
- 0.5 credit in Career Studies
- 0.5 credit in Civics and Citizenship
- 1 credit from the STEM-related course group

In addition, students must complete:

- 13 optional credits
- 40 hours of community involvement activities
- the provincial literacy requirement
- at least 2 credits through Online Learning ***

STEM-related course group

Of the 17 compulsory credits, you must complete 1 from the following group:

- business studies
- computer studies
- cooperative education
- mathematics (in addition to the 3 compulsory credits currently required)
- science (in addition to the 2 compulsory credits currently required)
- technological education (in addition to the 1 compulsory credit currently required)

Optional credits

- You must earn 13 optional credits by successfully completing courses from your school's program and course calendar.
- Optional credits may include up to 4 credits earned through approved <u>dual credit programs</u>.

NOTES:

- * A maximum of 3 credits in English as a Second Language (ESL) or English Literacy Development (ELD) may be counted towards the 4 compulsory credits in English. The fourth must be a credit earned for a Grade 12 compulsory English course.
- ** Starting in September 2025, you must earn a new financial literacy graduation requirement as part of your compulsory Grade 10 mathematics course. You will need to achieve a mark of 70% or higher to pass this new requirement to earn your high school diploma.
 *** Families who wish to opt-out their child from the Online Learning graduation requirement should speak to their child's school.

Student's achieving an OSSD Red Seal Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) diploma will have additional requirements based on their particular sector program.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL

French Immersion Students

To qualify for the French Immersion Certificate, students must take at least 10 credits in French Immersion (out of the 30 credits needed to graduate highschool). These include:

- 4 French Immersion French (1 credit per grade)
- Grade 9 Geography
- Grade 10 History
- Grade 10 Civics and Careers
- at least three other courses taught in the French language (excluding third languages since the language of instruction should be the third language).

17
COMPULSORY
CREDITS

13
OPTIONAL
CREDITS

OSSLT
(ONTARIO
SECONDARY
SCHOOL LITERACY
TEST)

40
COMMUNITY
SERVICE HOURS

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL

Compulsory Courses: You need the following 17 credits to get your OSSD:

- 4 Credits in English
- 3 Credits in Math (1 must be at the senior level
- 2 Credits in Science
- 1 Credit in Technology (Gr. 9 or 10)
- 1 Credit in Canadian History
- 1 Credit in Canadian Geography
- 1 Credit in the Arts

- 1 Credit in Health and Physical Education
- 1 Credit in French as a Second Language
- 0.5 Credit in Careers Education
- 0.5 Credit in Civics and citizenship
- 1 Credit in STEM related courses- see following slide

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- Literacy Requirement
- 40 Hours of Community Involvement
- 2 Online Learning Credits (Can Opt Out)

Community Involvement Hours

- You can find the volunteer form off the <u>YRDSB</u> website
- ☐ You need to get APPROVAL FROM GUIDANCE before doing your hours at that specific location
- ☐ Fill out form and get it signed by your supervisor
- ☐ You should be keeping a file with report cards and volunteer hour sheets
- Neighbourhood Network website is a great resource

Volunteer board outside of guidance

Community Involvement Hours

New Form and Updates to the Policy
Check out the Huron Heights <u>Guidance Website</u> for the new form



Notification of Completion of Community Involvement Form

Please provide the information requested below about the community involvement activities in which you plan to participate. Submit this form to the school Guidance Office for pre-approval prior to participating in any activities. Once you have completed community involvement activities, submit your form to guidance. PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED PRE APPROVAL IF THIS IS AN ACTIVITY YOU HAVE NOT DONE IN THE PAST.

Please make sure you have all of your hours in by May 1 of your graduating year.

Eligible activities include:

Elementary Schools - assist with school events, school councils, activities for children;

Secondary Schools - organization and leadership of school activities or clubs that benefit the school and/or community;

Animal Care - volunteering in a zoo, animal shelter, or on a farm;

Community Spaces and Events - volunteering in galleries, libraries, arts & cultural events, community productions or opportunities (outside of credit courses) for time spent learning about traditional cultures such as language, cooking, knowledge, skills, and stories;

Charitable Organizations - assisting with special events, programs, clerical tasks;

Children/Youth Programs - assisting with children/youth programs, volunteering in a child care centre or camp;

Community Organizations - assisting with special events, food banks, community support services, shelters, clerical tasks;

Community Service for Individuals - assisting community members in need;

Environment, Conservation and Sustainability Projects or Initiatives - planting flowers/trees, recycling projects, recycling depot;

Health Agencies - volunteering in hospitals, hospices, Canadian Blood Services (volunteering to organize or assist with a blood donor clinic), donating blood (time required to donate);

Public Service Agencies - volunteering for activities sponsored by the police or fire department;

Political Organizations - municipal, provincial, and federal recognized political organizations that reflect the values and priorities of the YRDSB; except for York Region District School Board trustees or trustee candidates;

Religious Organizations - assisting with programs, special events;

Senior Citizens - assisting in seniors' residences, providing services for seniors in the community;

Sports and Recreation - coaching, managing, organizing special events, assisting with projects/events

Service Focused Community Club Activities - those activities that expand community service to others beyond the school day (holiday dinner participation, environmental action activities, etc.)

Virtual Opportunities - organizations must be based in Ontario and run by an adult/adults for charitable purposes.

Ineligible activity include:

- is a requirement of a class or course in which the student is enrolled (i.e., cooperative education portion of a course, job shadowing, work experience);
- takes place during the time allotted for the instructional program on a school day. However, an activity that takes place during the student's lunch breaks or "spare" periods is permissible;
- takes place in a logging or mining environment, if the student is under sixteen years of age;
- takes place in a factory, if the student is under fifteen years of age;
- takes place in a workplace other than a factory, if the student is under fourteen years of age and is not accompanied by an adult;
- would normally be performed for wages by a person in the workplace;
- · involves the operation of a vehicle, power tools, or scaffolding;
- involves the administration of any type or form of medication or medical procedure to other persons;
- procedure to other persons;
 involves handling of substances classed as "designated substances" under
- requires the knowledge of a tradespersons whose trade is regulated by the provincial government;
- involves banking or the handling of securities, or the handling of jewelry, works of art, antiques, or other valuables;
- consists of duties performed in the home (i.e., daily chores) or personal recreational activities;
- involves activities for a court-ordered program (i.e., community-service program for young offenders, probationary program);
- involves participation in extra curricular activities for which a student stands for school-wide election; and
- any work for a School Board Trustee or Candidate

the Occupational Health and Safety Act;

Liability Insurance

The school board's liability insurance carried with Ontario School Board's Insurance Exchange (OSBIE) will provide coverage for the students and the community sponsors from any lawsuits that may arise from the students' activities in the community involvement program during the 40 hours of volunteer work required for those activities that are eligible. The board's insurance policy will only cover hours that have been pre-approved. This includes any hours beyond the mandatory graduation requirements.

How to Read Codes

How to Read Course Codes

Every course in an Ontario Secondary School has a six-character course code. A code can be broken down as follows: ENL

3 letters identify the subject

The first letter represents the course's department area: A=Arts, B=Business, C=Canadian and World Studies, E=English, F=French, G=Guidance and Career Education, H=Humanities and Social Sciences, L=International Languages, M=Mathematics, S=Sciences, T=Technology

reflects grade

1 = Grade 9 2 = Grade 10

3 = Grade 11

4 = Grade 12

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Letter shows course type A number to distinguish a course program or different

sections.

Grade 9

W = Destreamed

D = Academic

L = Locally Developed

O = Open

Grade 10

D = Academic P = Applied

L = Locally Developed

O = Open

Grade 11/12

U = University

M = University/College

C = College

E = Workplace

O = Open

How to Read Codes

CHC2D1

PPL108

TAS101

BEP201

MBF3C1

AVI3MM

TMJ3C1

Failing a Compulsory

Elementary School – you fail you move on to next grade

Secondary – you fail you have to repeat the course either in summer school or in your grade 10 year as an elective

(Credit Recovery recommendation needed if you are close and there were special circumstances)

Helpful Tips to be Successful

- Talk to teachers make sure they know you
- Attend, engage and be an active learner
- ☐ Get involved -Teams, Clubs, etc.

ANY QUESTIONS?

Huron Athletics

FALL

Girls Basketball
Boys Volleyball
Boys Soccer
7's Rugby
Cricket
Cheerleading
Golf
Cross Country
Tennis
Football

WINTER

Girls Volleyball
Boys Basketball
Girls Hockey
Boys Hockey
Badminton
Curling
Rock Climbing
Ski & Snowboard
Swimming

<u>SPRING</u>

Track and Field
Girls Rugby
Boys Rugby
Baseball
Slo-Pitch
Ultimate Frisbee
Mountain Biking
Girls Soccer

Sport is for EVERYONE. We are one of the only schools in York Region to run almost every sport offered!

Clubs and Councils

- Huron Pride
- Jack.org (mental health promotion)
- Model UN
- Fitness Club
- Best Buddies
- Dungeons and Dragons club
- Huron Drama / Drama
 Council
- Chess Club

- Music Council
- HHSS Jazz Band
- Healthy Schools
- Student Council
- Huron Pantry (still TBD)
- Tamil Student Association
- HHSS Film Society
- Youth Alive
- JCC (pending)
- BSA (pending)
- Visual Arts Council

Take Our Kids to Work Day



Take Our Kids to Work Day is Wednesday November 6th, 2024!

All grade 9s are expected to participate. Information will be rolled out in the weeks to come. Stay tuned!

Pathway Planner



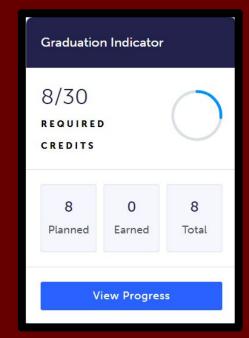
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High School Planner

Track your Progress through High School

Grade 9 Current Year	Grade 10 Next Year	Grade 11 Plan Ahead	Grade 12 Plan Ahead
English ENL1W1 • 1 Credit	• Online Learning O	• Online Learning O	• Online Learning O
Mathematics MTH1W1 • 1 Credit	• English	• English	• English
Science SNC1W1 • 1 Credit	Mathematics	◆ Mathematics	⊕ Course
Core French FSF1D1 • 1 Credit	⊕ Science	⊕ Course	• Course
Issues in Canadian Geo CGC1D1 • 1 Credit	• History	⊕ Course	• Course
Healthy Active Living E PPL108 • 1 Credit	• Civics/Career Stud	⊕ Course	• Course
Visual Arts AVI101 • 1 Credit	• Course	• Course	• Course

My High School Plan	
15 credits until graduation	· ·
Earned Credits	15
Planned Credits	8
Total	23/30



Quiz

- 1. Where can you find out about Volunteer opportunities?
- 2. What can you do if you are worried about a friend at another high school?
- 3. When would a guidance counselor have to share your private talks?
- 4. Where would you find the sports information about teams?
- 5. How many volunteer hours do you need to graduate?
- 6. How many credits do you need to graduate?
- 7. What is our guidance secretary's name?
- 8. Where do you book appts with your guidance counselor?
- 9. What rooms can you go to if you are stressed or anxious?
- 10. How many groups are there for compulsory credits?

Intro to Guidance Quiz

Make sure that you are in the Guidance Google Classroom by next Tuesday to get the link for the Quiz!

There will be prize packs for the first 10 that get a perfect score!!!

Google Classrooms

Stay Connected

Please join the guidance student classroom so you don't miss out on important dates, scholarship information & other resources.

GUIDANCE GOOGLE CLASS CODE (all grades):

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Thanks and Enjoy Huron!