

About KHS

Keswick High School has a population of Approximately 900 students and 80 staff members. The school offers Grade 9 to 12 programming.

Elective Courses

- Arts (Dance, Drama, Music and Visual Arts)
- Business Studies
- Family Studies
- Technological Studies
- Special Education

Programs

- Co-operative Education and OYAP
- Dual Credit Courses
- Day School e-Learning
- Specialist High Skills Major Program (SHSM) - Business Sector and Transportation/Manufacturing Sector

KHS is an Early Start School

Classes begin the last week of August

Fall Break

To Be Determined by the School Board
(usually at the end of October or early November)

Grade 9 Timetable

Period 1: 9:05 am – 10:25 am
Period 2: 10:30 am – 11:45 am
1st Lunch: 11:45 am – 12:30 pm
Period 4: 12:30 pm – 1:45 pm
Period 5: 1:50 pm – 3:05 pm

Semester 1

Last week of August – January

Exams: End of January

Semester 2

February – June

Exams: End of June

KHS Contact Information

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www.yrdsb.ca/schools/keswick.hs

Keswick High School

Grade 9 Course Selection Package

2022 – 2023



Important Information for Grade 8's Transitioning to KHS

Friday, February 4, 2022

Electronic Transfer Form Due, if applicable

Friday, February 25, 2022

Course Selections Due

- Complete Course Selections online in My Pathway Planner
- Courses can be locked in (submitted) starting February, 16
- No paperwork is required – everything is done online and parent/guardian approval is done through email

Student Life at Keswick High School

Keswick High School has a variety of sports teams to offer:

- Badminton
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cross-Country
- Curling
- Field Hockey
- Golf
- Hockey
- Lacrosse
- Rugby
- Snowboard/Ski
- Soccer
- Softball
- Track-and-Field
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Volleyball

Keswick High School's mascot K.C., is a highlight at many school



Meet our Colourful Cougar! Painted by art students during the Art-a-thon!



Rugby is very popular at Keswick High School!

Keswick High School has many different clubs and councils that students can get involved in:

- Art Council
- Athletic Council
- Dance and Drama Council
- Empowered Student Partnerships (ESP)
- Environmental Council
- Healthy Schools Committee
- Music Council
- Prom Committee
- Robotics Club
- Student Council

These clubs and councils work hard all year round to create amazing and memorable events at the school, including: Semi-Formal, Relay for Life, Cougar Games and spirit days!

Grade 8's Choosing Grade 9 Courses

Before you begin . . .

- Do you know when your registration form and course selection sheet are due?
- Do you know your YRDSB student number?
- Have you chosen 8 courses + 2 alternates? (refer to the following page for Compulsory and Elective Course listings)

Before you submit . . .

- Have you chosen course pathways carefully (de-steamed, academic or locally developed)?
- Have you checked resources to assist you in your decision-making (www.yrdsb.ca/students)?

Finally . . .

- Have you entered a parent/guardian email address?
- Has a parent/guardian Accepted or Rejected the Course Selections, through email?

Your course selection is very important, as it will decide which courses are offered next year. If you fail to submit a list of courses on time, the courses you want may not be available.



DUE DATE: Friday, February 25, 2022

We will try our best to provide students with a school timetable that matches their original requests. However, we may have to timetable alternate courses based on course availability and where courses fit into student timetables.

All Courses Available To Grade 8's Entering Grade 9

Compulsory Courses

Canadian and World Studies: Geography
CGC1D1: Geography of Canada – Academic

English

ENG1L1: English – Locally Developed
ENG1D1: English – Academic

French as a Second Language

FSF1D1: Core French – Academic
FSF1O1: Introduction to French – Open

Health and Physical Education

PPL1O1: Healthy Active Living – Open

Mathematics

MAT1L1: Mathematics – Locally Developed
MTH1W1: Mathematics – De-streamed
MTH1W5: Unlimited Potential Math (UP Math) - 2 credit/course package. For students recommended by a Grade 8 teacher. MTH1W5 will be timetabled into semester 2 and GLS1O5 OR GLE1O5 will be timetabled into semester 1.

Science

SNC1L1: Science – Locally Developed
SNC1W1: Science – De-streamed

Elective Courses

Arts: Dance

ATC1O1: Dance

Arts: Drama

ADA1O1: Drama

Arts: Music/Music Repertoire

AMV1O1: Vocal Music

AMI1O1: Instrumental Music - Band (Experienced)
Music Repertoire is recommended (see below)

AMI1O2: Instrumental Music - Band (Beginners)

AMR1O1: Music Repertoire (*after-school course*)

Arts: Visual Arts

AVI1O1: Visual Arts

Business Studies

BBI1O1: Introduction to Business

Guidance and Career Education: Special Education

* Students are able to take GLE or GLS (not both courses)

GLE1O1: Learning Strategies I (for students recommended through an IPRC meeting)

GLS1O5 OR GLE1O5: Unlimited Potential Math (UP Math) Learning Strategies with a Math Focus – 2 credit/course package. For students recommended by a Grade 8 teacher. This course will be timetabled into semester 1 and MTH1W5 into semester 2. Students may take either GLS1O5 (for students with NO IEP) OR GLE1O5 (for students with an IEP).

Social Sciences and Humanities

HIF1O1: Exploring Family Studies

Technological Studies

TIJ1O1: Exploring Technologies



Course Selection: On-Line Instructions

My Pathway Planner is an education and career/life planning program with the tools students need to make the most informed decisions about their future. It will help organize courses to meet graduation requirements, career and post-secondary education goals.

Getting Started

1) Please visit the Keswick High School Website at: www.yrdsb.ca/schools/keswick.hs or Google "Keswick High School"

To access and select courses, click on the My Pathway Planner button:



2) Login using your YRDSB credentials (select EDU for Domian, enter your school computer login and password)

Create a High School Plan

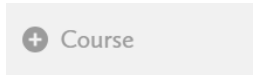
3) To complete course selection, you must create your first high school plan (if you have not already!)

- From the left navigation menu, click **High School**
- You may need to: Select **Keswick High School** as the school you plan to attend next year
- You may also need to Select: Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) or Ontario Secondary School Certificate (OSSC), Ontario Secondary School Certificate of Accomplishment (OSSCA)
- Click on **Add Plan**

Course Selection

4) Select Courses for Next Year.

- In High School Planner, click on **Courses** (top tab) to explore all courses available at Keswick High School. You can also filter by grade/discipline or use the tool bar.
- Click **Plan** (top tab) and click on the “+” button to add a course.



5) Click **Add Course** when you find the course you want.

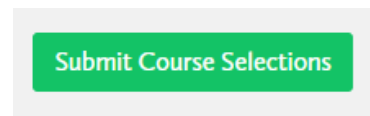
You can delete a course by clicking on the course name and selecting **Delete**, from the top right corner of the window.

- The **Graduation Indicator** (found in “Plan”) will help you keep track of your progress towards graduation. Click **View Progress** for a list of specific graduation requirements.

5) Review Courses – When ready to submit your course selections, click the blue **Review Course Selections** button and give your course selection one final look over.

NOTE: If available, you can use the “Add Comments” section to explain any issues to Keswick High School (i.e. taking the prerequisite in night school, or summer school).

6) Submit Courses – Once you have reviewed the **Details** page, click on **Submit Course Selections**. Please note that you will not be able to modify your course selections once submitted (unless your guidance counsellor re-allows submission).



7) Submit Approval Email.

Submission Details

1 Email your parent/guardian so that they may confirm your selections

1 Step 1 Add Courses 2 Step 2 Review Courses 3 Step 3 Submit Courses Send Approval Email

Success

Your course selections have been submitted to your Counsellor for review. Please print the Sign-Off Sheet and return the signed copy to your school.

Note: Speak to your Counsellor to discuss any changes that you wish to make to your Course Selections

Back to High School

8) Enter Parent/Guardian Email.

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Parent/Guardian Approval

Please add a parent or guardian email below for us to share your course selection. Your parent/guardian will be asked to approve your course selections.

Parent/Guardian Email

Send Approval Email

9) Parent/Guardian **Accepts or Rejects** the Course Selections.

10) Optionally, print/re-print the Course Selections, for your records.

YOU ARE FINISHED!

If you require assistance with course selection, please speak with a Grade 8 teacher, or contact Keswick High School at 905-476-0933 and ask for Guidance.