



NEWMARKET HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Grade 9 Students and Families,

We hope you are having a safe, healthy and enjoyable summer and we look forward to welcoming you to Newmarket High School in September. We would like to take this opportunity to highlight a few important dates and informational items to support your transition to High School.

Friday, August 30	Student timetables will be shared electronically.
Tuesday, September 3	Grade 9 Day for all Grade 9 students (modified timetable). Further information will be shared electronically with Grade 9 families in mid-August.
Wednesday, September 4	Return to school for all students (regular school day).
Wednesday, September 11	Photo Day
Monday, September 16	School Council Meeting and Elections - 6:45 pm (in the Library)

Please take this opportunity to stay connected and follow us on Instagram [@newmarkethighschool](#) or email us at newmarket.hs@yrdsb.ca. School information can also be found on our [school website](#).

Take care and see you in September!

Sincerely,

Michelle Godfrey
Principal
Newmarket High School

Viviane Estafanos
Vice-Principal
Newmarket High School

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Vice-Principal
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GRADE 9 DAY - MODIFIED SCHEDULE - Tuesday, September 3, 2024

Time	Activity	Location
8:05 – 8:15	Students meet with Homeroom Groups	Atrium → Cafeteria
8:15 - 9:15	Parent & Guardian Information Session	Newmarket Theater (adjacent to NHS)
8:15 – 10:30	Icebreakers and Team building	Various Locations
10:35 - 11:30	Grade 9 Assembly	Theatre
11:35 – 12:40	Lunch (Clubs and Sports Fair)	Atrium/Cafeteria/Outside
12:45 – 1:05	Period 1	Classroom
1:10 – 1:30	Period 2	Classroom or Library, if lunch period*
1:35 – 1:55	Period 3	Classroom or Library, if lunch period*
2:00 – 2:20	Period 4	Classroom or Library, if lunch period*
2:25 – 2:45	Period 5	Classroom

***Students will go to the library for a tutorial on basic library skills/features during their lunch period 2, 3 or 4.**

NHS DAILY SCHEDULE

On a regular school day, students are expected to be in their Period 1 class by 8:00 a.m.

Please encourage your child/children to arrive by 7:50 a.m. so they can visit their lockers and get organized for the day.

Period 1	8:05 a.m. - 9:25 a.m.
Period 2	9:30a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
Period 3	10:50 a.m. - 12:05 p.m.
Period 4	12:10 p.m. - 1:25 p.m.
Period 5	1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

PARKING LOT SAFETY

At arrival and departure times the school parking lot can become extremely busy. Parents/guardians who choose to drive their children to school are asked to consider parking a block or two away from the school and walking the rest of the way. Plan enough time for your child to enter the school and arrive at their classroom prior to 8:00 am. If you choose to drop off or pick up your child at the school - do not park in the fire zone, bus loop or the Daycare Centre parking area, for any reason.

To assist with traffic flow, if you are picking up or dropping off your child and you need to enter the school parking lot, please park in an available parking spot. If no parking spots are available please wait for your child on Pickering Crescent or off school property. For safety reasons, idling is not permitted in the lanes between the parked cars. Please be considerate and careful while using the school parking lot, obey all signage, drive safely, slowly and be alert to pedestrians.

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE

As a reminder, NHS is a "Bring Your Own Device" school, wherein students are expected to bring their own primary devices to school each day. Grade 9 students will require a primary device such as a laptop, chromebook, or tablet with a keyboard attachment. Cell phones are not considered a primary device.

BUSSING INFORMATION

Students who will be riding a school bus (or taxi) to and from school, will need to visit the [Student Transportation Services of York Region](#) website to determine their pick up and drop off locations / times. If you are unsure if you are eligible for student transportation, this can also be determined by visiting the website. To view Board Policy #680 Student Transportation, please visit www.yrdsb.ca. Busing information should be available anytime after **August 30**.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT HOURS

Students may earn community involvement hours towards their diploma in the summer *before* they enter Grade 9. This is very good news for grade 8 students who would like to begin completing their required 40 hours of community involvement hours before they enter secondary school in September.

- A Community Involvement form that outlines eligible and ineligible activities is available in the Guidance Office, or on the [YRDSB website](#).
- Students who complete hours in the summer will need to fill out the remainder of the form and have it signed by their supervisor.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at (905) 895-5159 or via email at newmarket.hs@yrdsb.ca.