



# Territorial Acknowledgement



As we gather today to welcome you into this next exciting chapter of your learning journey, we begin by acknowledging the Chonnoton peoples. These are lands that are part of the Haldimand Tract: the territory that was promised to the Six Nations of the Grand River, and that extends six miles on each side of the river.

We recognize the enduring presence, knowledge, and care of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples on these lands since time immemorial. We are grateful for the opportunity to learn, grow, and build community together here.

As you prepare to transition into high school, we invite you to reflect on what it means to be part of this shared place, its history, its responsibilities, and its future. Your voices, choices, and actions will shape the community you join, just as generations of Indigenous Peoples have shaped the land we stand on today.

May this next step in your education be filled with curiosity, respect, and a commitment to contributing to a more caring and inclusive world.

Welcome. We are so glad you are here, and we look forward to walking alongside you.



## SR. CHAMBER PERFORMANCE

- Playing "A New Satiesfaction" which is a playful arrangement that reimagines the main themes from *Gymnopédie* by Erik Satie
- Many members started playing in Grade 7, 8 or 9
- First heard this piece last year, when WCI's Senior Orchestra was competing in New York at the *Julliard School of Music*
- Group from Honolulu played it; once we heard it, knew it would be an awesome piece for our group to play

# WELCOME FUTURE *Vikings*



# AGENDA

<i><b>Time</b></i>	<i><b>Session</b></i>
<i>7:00 - 7:20 p.m.</i>	Welcome & Registration Information
<i>7:20 - 9:00 p.m.</i>	School Tour <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Rotate every 10 minutes (i.e. 7:20 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 7:40 p.m., etc.)</li></ul>



# WCI CO-MAYORS

- Jiya Jeby
- Omar Ibrahim



# SPORTS

- Cross Country
- Golf
- Soccer
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Tennis
- Football
- Field Hockey
- Alpine & Nordic Skiing
- Curling
- Swimming
- Hockey
- Wrestling
- Badminton
- Rugby
- Slo-Pitch
- Soccer
- Track & Field

# CLUBS

- Anime
- Crochet/Knitting
- Jr. Leadership
- South Asian Students Assoc.
- Tutoring Club
- Math Club
- Student Senate
- Project Hope for Healing
- History Club
- French Club
- Chess Club
- Debate Team
- Art Club
- Lifting Club
- Computer Science Club
- Web-Dev Club
- Slavic Assoc.
- Robotics Club
- Dance Club
- EV Club
- HOSA (Health Sc. Club)
- DECA (Business Club)
- Bollywood Dance Club
- Christian Ambassadors Club
- Spirit Club
- Spanish Club
- Speak English Cafe
- Fed-Prov
- Social Justice Club
- Super Smash Bros. Club
- Media Club
- Persian Students Assoc.
- Black Student Assoc.
- Korean Student Assoc.
- Astronomy Club
- and many more!!!



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# WCI DAILY SCHEDULE

- Semestered School
- 75 minute periods
- 60 minute common lunch
- Periods 3 and 4 rotate on a weekly basis

TIME	WEEK 1	WEEK 2
8:15-9:30	P1	P1
9:35-10:50	P2	P2
10:50-11:50	COMMON LUNCH	
11:50-1:05	P3	P4
1:10-2:25	P4	P3

# OSSD REQUIREMENTS (PG. 9)

**30** CREDITS  
IN TOTAL




**40** HOURS OF  
COMMUNITY  
INVOLVEMENT



COMPLETION OF THE  
ONTARIO LITERACY  
REQUIREMENT




COMPLETION OF THE  
ONTARIO FINANCIAL  
LITERACY REQUIREMENT




**FUTURE GRADE NINES 9**

**A TRANSITION GUIDE  
TO SECONDARY SCHOOL**



**WRDSB PATHWAYS**



**Choose your path. Your way.**

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A guide to earning your Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)



**30** CREDITS IN TOTAL + **40** HOURS OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT + COMPLETION OF THE ONTARIO LITERACY REQUIREMENT + COMPLETION OF THE ONTARIO FINANCIAL LITERACY REQUIREMENT

### 17 Compulsory Credits

	CREDITS
English (1 credit per grade)	4
Mathematics (Grade 9, Grade 10 and 1 credit in Grade 11 or 12)	3
Science	2
Canadian Geography (Grade 10)	1
Canadian History (Grade 10)	1
The Arts	1
Health and Physical Education	1
French as a Second Language	1
Technological Education (Grade 10)	1

STEM - Related Course Group (Business Studies, Computer Studies, Cooperative Education, Mathematics\*, Science\*, Technological Education\*)  
\*In addition to compulsory credits required

Career Studies	0.5
Civics and Citizenship	0.5
<b>Total Compulsory Credits</b>	<b>17</b>

### 13 Elective Credits

	CREDITS
Students are required to earn 13 optional credits that match their interests and future pathways to develop their skills.	13
<b>Total Elective Credits</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Total Credits Required for Graduation</b>	<b>30</b>

Note: Please be aware that Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) Graduation Requirements may change after the date of publishing. Please check the Ministry of Education website for the most current information: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/high-school-graduation-requirements>

### Other Requirements

✓ Community involvement completed over 4 years <small>(Note: Grade 8 students can start their community involvement hours in July and August before Grade 9)</small>	40 hrs
✓ Financial Literacy Graduation Requirement <small>(Taken during Grade 10 Mathematics Course based on cumulative Financial Literacy learning from Grade 1-8)</small>	70% or higher
✓ Online Learning <small>Any of the 30 credits may be taken online. For information relating to the opt-out process, please see your guidance coordinator. *<a href="https://www.erd.ca/blog/2022/10/20/online-learning-graduation-requirements-and-opt-out-process/">https://www.erd.ca/blog/2022/10/20/online-learning-graduation-requirements-and-opt-out-process/</a></small>	2 credits
✓ The Provincial Literacy Requirements OSSLT or OSSLC <small>Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) Ontario Secondary School Literacy Course (OSSLC)</small>	

### ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL CERTIFICATE (OSSC)

The Ontario Secondary School Certificate (OSSC) will be granted, upon request, to students who are leaving secondary school at the age of 18 without meeting the requirements of the Ontario Secondary School Diploma. Students must meet the following criteria in order to be granted an OSSC:

7 Compulsory Credits	CREDITS
English	2
Mathematics	1
Science	1
Canadian Geography	1
Health and Physical Education	1
The Arts or Technological Education	1
7 Elective Credits	CREDITS
Students are required to earn 7 optional credits that match their interests and future pathways to develop their skills.	7
<b>Total Credits Required for Graduation</b>	<b>14</b>



# COMPULSORY CREDITS

There are **FIVE (5)** Grade 9 **COMPULSORY CREDITS**:

- **English:** ENL1WI
- **Math:** MTH1WI or **MTH1WZ (ESL)**
- **Science:** SNC1WI or **SNC1WZ (ESL)**
- **Geography:** CGC1WI or **CGC1WZ (ESL)** or **CGC1WF (Extended French)**
- **French:** FSF1DI (Core) or **FEF1DF (Extended French)**
- **Possibly Technology:** Take in Grade 9 (TAS1OI) or in Grade 10 (various options)



# ELECTIVE CREDITS

There are **TWO (2) OR THREE (3)** Grade 9 **ELECTIVE CREDITS:**

- Visual Arts
- Drama
- Music (Vocal, Band or Strings)
- Business (Building the Entrepreneurial Mindset)
- Family Studies
- Physical and Health Education (Male, Female)
- Technology & Skilled Trades
- Learning Strategies (GLE10 - IEP students; GLS10 - non-IEP students)



## WCI'S Grade 9 Specialized Program Criteria

Find your WRDSB secondary school based on your home address: [Student Transportation Services of Waterloo Region](#)

MAGNET PROGRAM			NON-MAGNET PROGRAM
Multilingual Learners (ELD/ESL)	Extended French*	Strings*	Advanced Placement
Eligible Home Schools**: - BCI   - LHSS - EDSS   - WCI	Eligible Home Schools**: - BCI - EDSS - WCI	Eligible Home Schools**: - EDSS   - LHSS - FHCI   - WCI - KCI   - WODSS	Program begins in Grade 11  Eligible Home Schools**:  - WCI  OR  attending WCI on a Magnet program
ELD/ESL Program Eligibility: Currently enrolled in Grade 8 ELD/ESL/ABLE classes	Extended French Program Eligibility: Currently enrolled in a Grade 8 French Immersion program	Strings Program Eligibility: Currently enrolled in WRDSB School that offers Grade 7/8 Strings program OR taking lessons (min. 3 months; audition required)	
Once you are eligible for one of WCI's Magnet programs, you are entitled to all of the other programs offered, provided that you meet the particular program's eligibility criteria.			
No Application Form to be completed.  NOTE: Students are automatically enrolled in the MLL (ELD/ESL) Magnet program if they meet the above program eligibility	No Application Form to be completed.  NOTE: Students are automatically enrolled in the Extended French Magnet program if they meet the above program eligibility	Only students NOT enrolled in a WRDSB School that offers Gr. 7/8 Strings program complete the "WCI Strings Magnet Application" Google Form.  Form is available on WCI's "Magnet Programs" webpage (under the "Guidance" tab)  NOTE: Students are automatically enrolled in the Strings Magnet Program if they meet the above program eligibility	After Grade 10, students select AP courses during the course selection process.

\*If attending WCI on a Magnet program, students MUST remain in the Magnet program for a full TWO (2) years.

\*\*Home secondary school is determined by home address.

NOTE: If attending WCI on a Magnet program from an eligible out of boundary school, transportation may be provided.

# HOW DO WE ENTER A MAGNET PROGRAM?

- Boundaries apply
- If attending on a Magnet from an eligible out of boundary school, transportation may be provided
- No additional fees are charged
- Students must remain in magnet for **2 full years**







# WCI STUDENT LEADERS

- Farnia Bahadori Toulabi - MLL
- Neha Banerjee - Extended French, Strings & AP

# GRADE 9 REGISTRATION INFORMATION

WRDSB STUDENT	NON-WRDSB STUDENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Grade 9 course selections completed online via <i>My Blueprint</i> from: February 19th to March 4th, 2026</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If student coming from another school board or private school:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Please complete the “<b>Non-WRDSB Student - Request for Registration Package</b>” Available on Future Grade 9s website → “Get Started @WCI” section</li></ul></li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Instructions and assistance provided by current WRDSB Grade 8 school guidance counsellor</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Course selections submitted electronically (Google Form) to WCI Guidance Department by: March 4th, 2026</li></ul>

# FUTURE GRADE 9'S WEBSITE

## Future Grade Nines

### Life @ WCI

Find out about leadership, activities, clubs and sports



This site was created by our leadership class to help you find out more about life at WCI. Hear directly from our students, see our current clubs and check out photos of some of the areas in our school.

VISIT

### Specialized Programs @ WCI

AP, Extended French, MLL (ESL/ELD), SHSM, Strings



This site will give you more information about WCI's specialized programs.

Advanced Placement, Extended French, MLL (ESL/ELD), SHSM, Strings

VISIT

### Get Started @ WCI

Find out more about becoming a WCI Viking



Find out more about our course offerings, graduation requirements and how to let us know you are joining us this coming Fall.

VISIT

## Grade 8 Night Tour Groups

# STAGE

Translators  
are  
available!

**ROWS A - H**  
**Group 8**  
(Phys. Ed. Gym/  
Lower Foyer)

**ROWS I - Q**  
**Group 4**  
(Business 310)

**ROWS R - Y**  
**Group 1**  
(Music 231)

**ROWS A - E**  
**Group 9**  
(Family Studies 215)

**ROWS F - K**  
**Group 7**  
(Core Subjects Library)

**ROWS L - R**  
**Group 5**  
(Resource Room 302)

**ROWS S - W**  
**Group 2**  
(Technology 128)

**ROWS A - H**  
**Group 10**  
(Drama 219)

**ROWS I - Q**  
**Group 6**  
(Science 200)

**ROWS R - Y**  
**Group 3**  
(Art 124)