GRADE NINE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

WELCOME TO HIGH SCHOOL

HOW IS GRADE NINE DIFFERENT THAN GRADE EIGHT

- Grade Nine is credit based. You pass or fail class by class. So if you fail Science, you will need to retake that class before you can take Grade Ten Science.
- You need 30 credits to graduate. You will have the opportunity to get 8 credits in Grade Nine, 10 in Grade Ten, and then the remaining 12 in Grade Eleven and Twelve. If you miss credits in Grade Nine, it means that you will not be able to take as many elective classes through high school.

WHAT CLASSES DO YOU TAKE IN GRADE NINE?

- English Stream
 - English
 - Math
 - Science
 - Social Studies
 - Phys. Ed./Health
 - Info Tech
 - 2 Elective Choices

- French Immersion Stream
 - Français
 - Mathématiques
 - Sciences de la nature
 - Sciences humaines
 - Phys. Ed./Health
 - English
 - 2 Elective Choices

WHAT ELECTIVES CAN I TAKE IN GRADE NINE

- You can choose TWO of the following options:
 - Art (Ms. Martens-Reece)
 - Aboriginal Studies (Ms. Muir)
 - Band (Mr. Werbicki)
 - Curling (Mr. Murphy)
 - Drama (Mrs. Cooney)
 - French (Ms. Shipley)
 - Human Ecology (three options Full Cooking/Full Textiles/Half Cooking-Half Textiles) (Mr. Andrews/Mrs. McFadyen)
 - Technical Education (Mr. Hawthorne/Mr. Hancock)

WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE ABOUT ELECTIVES?

- Each of the Elective Teachers has a PowerPoint Presentation that you can look at, except Band (you are already in Grade 8 Band to take this so Mr. Werbicki can tell you more).
- As well, you can contact the teacher to find out more information.
- You can also talk to students you know who have taken the courses.

HOW DO I REGISTER?

- Registration will be done through the PowerSchool Portal this year.
- When you log in (After May 19 and before May 30) you should see an option to register for next year.
- You will have to choose one credit for the Odd Days of the Cycle and one credit for the Even Days of the Cycle.
- As well, you will have to choose an Alternative Elective in case one of your first two choices is full.

FULL, WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY FULL?

- Registration for electives is on a first come, first served basis, meaning that the earlier you get your registration done the more likely you will get your first choices.
- Some classes have maximum numbers for safety reasons, (Tech Ed, Human Ecology), and others for physical space limitations (Art, Curling).
- The online registrations are "time stamped" as to the last revision so that is what will be used for "who was first".
- If your Alternative Elective needs to be used Mr. Skarban will be in contact with you.

QUESTIONS

- If you are not sure of your PowerSchool Portal login information, please email the school.
- If you have question about a particular elective, please email the class's teacher.
- If you have any general question, please email Mr. Skarban (tskarban@lssd.ca)