

Westview Secondary School

Inspiring and encouraging students to strive for excellence!

Welcome to Westview

To Grade 8 Westview Students & Parents/Guardians,

I would like to officially welcome you to Westview Secondary for the 2026–27 school year. We are very excited to have you join our community and to begin your five-year high school journey with us.

Along with our incoming Grade 8 students, Westview will also be welcoming a new principal in September—Mr. Ken Elphick. He is very much looking forward to getting to know each and every one of you. I could not be prouder of our school culture, our dedicated teaching and support staff, and the care we provide to all students. Westview prides itself on offering engaging learning opportunities within a supportive and connected community.

We invite you to join us for the Westview PAC Meeting on **Monday, May 25 at 7:00 pm in the school library**. This is an opportunity to learn more about our school goals and to provide feedback as we continue to develop the Westview School Growth Plan for the upcoming year.

Grade 8 Program – OPTIONS

Westview offers several optional programs available to students starting in Grade 8. These include:

- Basketball Academy Information [LINK](#)
- Soccer Academy Information [LINK](#)
- Music Information [LINK](#)

These programs are **optional** and designed for students with a particular interest in these areas. If your child is interested, please complete the **Grade 8 Course Options Form**.

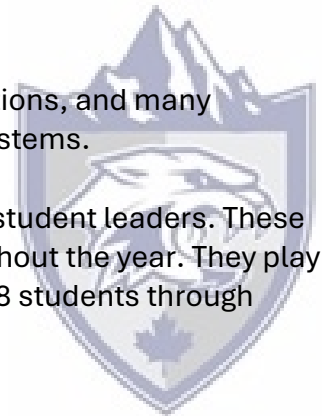
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***Please note there is a fee associated with both the sports academies.*

Supporting our Grade 8's

Grade 8 is an exciting transition year. With a larger school, increased course options, and many extracurricular opportunities, we recognize the importance of strong support systems.

To help with this transition, Westview pairs Grade 8 students with Grade 11–12 student leaders. These leaders help guide activities, build connections, and provide mentorship throughout the year. They play an important role in our orientation process and will continue to support Grade 8 students through events and activities across the school year.



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Grade 7 Day - Wednesday, May 20th

We are excited to welcome our future students for our annual **Grade 7 Day** on **Wednesday, May 20**. On this day, Grade 7 students will attend Westview for a **full day experience**, including a BBQ lunch. The purpose is to support a smooth transition into high school by helping students:

- Meet teachers and administrators
- Participate in classes
- Learn about extracurricular opportunities
- Become familiar with the school environment

Further details, including start and end times and what to bring, will be shared with families soon.

We look forward to welcoming our new Grade 8 students to Westview and supporting them as they begin this exciting journey.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions as you prepare for beginning high school next year. Email is the best way to connect: cathryn_blanco@sd42.ca

Kind regards,

Cathryn Blanco
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