

WELCOME TO WSS!

Congratulations on your child's registration at Westview Secondary! We're excited to welcome your child to Westview Secondary! Grade 8 is an exciting time filled with new experiences—navigating larger hallways, meeting older students, transitioning between classes, handling more homework, forming new friendships, and exploring clubs and sports teams. There will be plenty of support along the way to help ensure they have a rewarding year.

As part of our Wildcat community, your child will be embraced by a culture that values and promotes diversity, equity, and inclusion. At Westview Secondary, we believe in the importance of equality for all, and we're eager to offer your child the chance to grow and thrive in academics, athletics, fine arts, and citizenship.



GRADE 7 DAY!

FULL DAY INFO - MAY 20TH

WHAT TO EXPECT!

On Wednesday, May 20, your student will spend a full day at Westview Secondary to experience what a typical day in secondary school is like.

Students should plan to arrive at the GYM entrance (on the west side of the school) between 8:30 and 8:45am.

We'll kick off the day with an assembly in the main gym at 9am. Ms. MacDonald will lead a welcome talk and activity and then our Admin team and Counsellors will also welcome students and share things about what they do and how to connect with them when at school.

After the discussion, there will be games and activities led by our leadership students. At 10:15am there will be a snack and juice box provided for snack time. Students are welcome to bring their own snacks if they choose. Then at 10:30am students will be separated into small groups for their school tour and then some groups will go to the MPR (Multipurpose room) for a small band concert.

At 11:30am we will hold a BBQ lunch in our courtyard. **Students with food sensitivities or allergies should bring something just in case they cannot eat what is provided.**

After lunch there will be more activities and tours around the school and as well as a Theatre performance by our Theatre program and wrapping up in the MPR to finish the day off around 1:30pm.

If you have any questions or concerns about this day, please call the office (604) 467-3481.

BAND PROGRAM AT WSS!

The Band 8 program is a yearlong course and is open to all grade 8 students that have an interest in learning to play an instrument. No experience necessary.

The students learn from scratch how to put together, hold and play their instrument of choice: clarinet, flute, sax, trumpet, trombone, euphonium, percussion (there is no guitar or piano). This is an excellent opportunity to join the music community here at Westview, with students with the same interests.

Often lifelong friendships are formed in the band room. We do hold three concerts throughout the school year in December, March and May, and the students are always prepared for these events.

The lessons are free, but the family will need to provide an instrument. We encourage early enrollment for the course to guarantee that it will be offered.

Check out our music website for the form at:

<https://sites.google.com/view/westviewmusic/home>

Here is the registration link for Band 8:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1KUKYi-NAYAWKxAJmBt-yQaNiqiHyXy2Rlj_qRKPaw2E/edit

"Inspiring & encouraging students to strive for excellence!"



SPORTS & ACTIVITIES AT WESTVIEW!

Soccer Academy Applications are Open!

Westview's Soccer Academy applications are open for September. You will enjoy soccer specific training 3x per week to develop your skills, work on your soccer knowledge and participate in controlled and non-controlled games. Grow in confidence and enjoy the success you will inevitably experience. If this interests you, please find the soccer academy link on the School Website. Complete the application and submit it to the school office. Please address the application to Dennis Schmidt. Any questions, email Mr. Schmidt at dschmidt@sd42.ca

Basketball Academy

Westview Secondary School offers a high-performance basketball academy for students across School District 42 featuring elite level sport-specific basketball instruction for students in grades 8-12. The Basketball Academy application is open to students in grades 8-12. You can find the application here on our website <https://secondary.sd42.ca/wss/basketball-academy/>.

Theatre Production at Westview!

The Westview Theatre Company is excited to be working on an independent project. One of our amazing grade 12 students, Hannah Ward, has put together and written a play to be presented at our Grade 7 day. Several students from the theatre group have come together and are actively working during FLEX to design, learn and create a production. The story looks at perseverance, dedication, and fun! We are super excited to showcase theatre and the different opportunities available at Westview. We have spots for all students of any theatrical background, from acting on stage, technical design (lighting & sound) to stage design, make-up and costumes. The students work closely alongside the theatre director Ms. Allan and Technical director Mr. Kingman. If you have any questions, please reach out to Ms. [Allan at April.Allan@sd42.ca](mailto:Allan@April.Allan@sd42.ca).

Rugby at Westview!

Rugby is a fast paced, up-tempo, highly athletic, full-contact sport. Over the last few years, Westview Rugby has continued to grow, and our teams have been very successful. Students from all grade-levels are welcome as we hope to have opportunities for grade 8, junior and senior teams next season. Come out and join the Westview Rugby!

CLUBS & AFTERSCHOOL ACTIVITIES AT WSS!

The Book Club - If you love to read, or even just want to start reading more, consider joining the WSS Book Club! We try lots of different types of books so we will probably have something you'd love! See Ms. Eddy in the library for details!

Library - Check out a wide variety of books, get help with research, citations, tech related issues, and much more. Open most days from 7:45am - 3:30pm for all students.

Games club - Is a casual drop in club that meets every week after school on Tuesdays in the library. Students can come and play one of our many board or card games we have available or bring their own to play with friends or other students that attend the club, all grade levels are welcome.

Breakfast Club - every Thursday morning (day may change for next year) we hold a wonderful morning breakfast for students. All are welcome!

Please see our website for all our Afterschool activities & clubs here: <https://secondary.sd42.ca/wss/activitesclubsandteams/>