

Corpus Christi Catholic Secondary School

Transition from Grade 8 to 9

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Corpus Christi



School Prayer

Heavenly Father,

You call us to be the Body of Christ to others.

May our eyes look upon the world with your compassion.

May our feet hurry to help others and to do good.

May our hands reveal Your blessing upon humanity.

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord.

Amen.

Catholic Education in Halton



**Catholic
Curriculum**



**Catholic
Learning
Environment**



**Catholic
Staff**



**Catholic
Community**

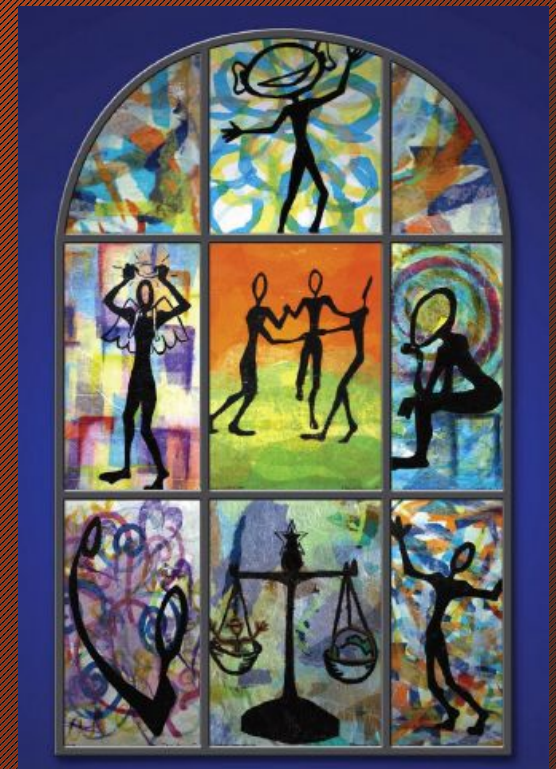
The Catholic Dimension in Practice

- Religion credit course taken each year. These courses require no prior knowledge of the Catholic faith.
- School Chaplaincy Leader and Chapel
- Daily Prayer, Masses and Liturgies
- Retreat Program
- Community Outreach—Food drives, Christmas baskets, missions and fundraising
- Social Justice Groups

Catholic Graduate Expectations

These distinctive expectations are integrated into the full Catholic school curriculum to help form graduates who are:

- Discerning believers formed in the Catholic faith community;
- Effective communicators;
- Reflective, creative and holistic thinkers;
- Self-directed, responsible, lifelong learners;
- Collaborative contributors;
- Caring family members; and,
- Responsible citizens.



How do we plan for success?

We build success by:

- Recognizing the dignity of each student
- Providing a safe and caring school environment
- Providing academic support
- Supporting faith development
- Providing opportunities for leadership
- Helping students to develop resiliency
- Encouraging and supporting parent engagement

Organization for Grade 9

- All grade 9s have a gr. 11 mentor (4:1)
- All grade 9s have lockers near a gr. 11 mentor
- All grade 9s have the same lunch as the grade 11s to facilitate activities and tutoring sessions

Our Focus is...

...to ensure your child has a smooth transition from elementary to secondary

We are here to help!

- Guidance Counsellors
- Social Worker
- Child and Youth Worker
- Chaplain
- Special Education Teachers
- Administration
- Teachers and Support Staff

Corpus Christi Athletics

FALL	WINTER	SPRING
Jr/Sr Girls Basketball	Jr/Sr Badminton	Jr/Sr Badminton
Jr/Sr Boys Volleyball	Midget/Jr/Sr Boys Basketball	Varsity Baseball
Cross Country	Midget/Jr/Sr Girls Volleyball	Girls Rugby
Jr/Sr Girls Field Hockey	Girls Hockey	Intramural Football
Jr/Sr Football	Jr/Sr Hockey	Jr/Sr Girls/Boys Soccer
Boys/Girls Golf	Swimming	Tennis
	Alpine Skiing/ Snowboard	Track and Field

Corpus Christi Clubs and Activities

Announcement Team • AV Team • Athletic Council
Concert and Jazz Band • Best Buddies • Book Club
Computer Programming Club • Construction Club • Debate Team
Exercise Room • Faith Day Committee • Free the Children Club
Greenhorns Environmental Club • Guest Speakers/Presenters
Longhorns for Life Right to Life Club • Longhorns Student Alliance
Math Contests • School Reach Teams • Mock Trial Team
Hands for Change Social Justice Club • Longhorns Art Club
Mentors and Visionaries • Ontario Skills Competition
Rotary Interact Club • SAC • School Improv • Science Olympics
Southern Ontario Model United Nations Assembly • Student Council
Student Senate • Student Eucharistic Ministers
Where in the World Wednesdays • Yearbook
New Mentality Wellness Committee • SIDE With Us Diversity Club

The Grade 9 Program



High School Format

- 2 semesters
 - Semester 1: September to January
 - Semester 2: February to June
- Exams/culminating activities at the end of each semester
- 4 periods/classes a day (75 minutes each), per semester
 - Period 1, Period 2, Period 3 and Period 4
- Lunch (40 minutes)
 - All Grade 9 students are on the same lunch
- School day is from 8:15 a.m. 2:20 p.m.

Ontario Secondary School Diploma

OSSD Requirements:

- 30 credits:
 - 18 compulsory
 - 12 optional
 - (4 Religion courses compulsory, 1 in each year)
- 40 hours community involvement
- Grade 10 Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test

Community Involvement

- Ministry and Board guidelines governing placements (MUST be pre-approved)
- Encourages civic responsibility, Catholic values and the importance of volunteering in the community
- Supports career exploration
- Hours must be documented using a form available in Student Services or on cccsc.ca
- Students may begin community service involvement on July 1, 2020

OSSD Literacy Test Requirement

- Students must meet Literacy Test requirement to graduate high school.
- The Literacy Test is taken in Grade 10.
- Students must achieve at least a Level 3 to pass.
- If a student is unable to meet standards on the first attempt; students can rewrite the test in grade 11 or take OLC 401.

Academic Courses (D)

- Greater emphasis on THEORY as a basis for future learning and problem solving
- Focus on critical thinking and theoretical thinking
- Students in grade 8 working at a Level 4
- Independent learners
- Pacing is fairly fast with new concepts presented every few days
- These courses have last 3 characters - 1D1

English

Math

Science

French

Geography

Applied Courses (P)

- Emphasis is on PRACTICAL applications
- Course work relates to familiar real-life situations and provides students with the opportunity for hands-on application of the concepts they learn
- Pacing is moderate with new concepts presented every few days.
- More dependent learners
- Require greater teacher direction and instruction
- These courses have last 3 characters - 1P1
English Math Science French Geography

Locally Developed (L)

- Locally developed courses are for students working at a Level 1 or have modified curriculum expectations
- Content will address gaps in learning
- Pacing is matched to the needs of individual learners
- Students are dependent learners who require explicit teacher direction and instruction
- These courses lead to the workplace stream in grade 11 and 12
- These courses have last 3 characters - 1L1

English

Math

Science

Open Courses (0)

- Open courses have one set of expectations for all students. These courses are not specific to destinations and are appropriate for all students.
- These courses have last 3 characters - 101

6 Compulsory Courses

	Academic	Applied	Locally Developed
English	ENG 1D1	ENG1P1	ENG1L1
Math	MPM1D1	MFM1P1	MAT1L1
Science	SNC1D1	SNC1P1	SNC1L1
Geography	CGC1D1	CGC1P1	
French	FSF1D1	FSF1P1	
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Religion	HRE1O1		

Gr. 9 Elective Courses (select two)

- Exploring Technology
- Expressions of First Nations, Metis and Inuit Cultures
- Food and Nutrition
- Hair Styling and Aesthetics
- Health & Physical Education - Gender Specific
- Introduction to Information Technology in Business
- Large Group Activities with a Focus on Football
- Learning Strategies
- Music
- Visual Arts

Gr 8 Teacher Recommendations

- Grade 8 Teachers will be recommending levels based on individual student strengths.
- We ask that you work with the Grade 8 teachers to select the right level for your child.
- Grade 8 Teachers will make their recommendations at the bottom of the option form.

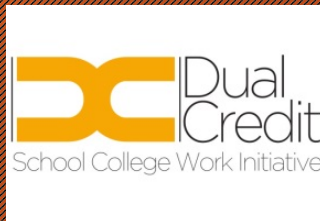
Teacher Recommendation

PART D: TEACHER RECOMMENDATION

	English	Math	Science	French	Geography
ACADEMIC	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
APPLIED	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
LOCALLY DEVELOPED	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Grade 8 Teacher Signature _____

Pathways



Website

www.myBlueprint.ca/hcdsb

Grade 9 Transition Plan

Important 2019-2020 Dates	Transition Planning
October 7 - 14, 2019	CC Guidance Department visited Gr. 8 classes at associate schools to discuss course selection (www.myBlueprint.ca)
November 6, 2019	Mini-High School and Gr. 8 Orientation
October 24, 2019	Gr. 8 Parent Information Night
November 25 - 29, 2019	CC Guidance Department visit associate schools to help with myBlueprint registration
December 4, 2019	Gr. 9 Registration Package due to Gr. 8 teacher
February 28, 2020	Course Verification due
May 27, 2020	Gr. 8 "BeLonghorn" Night
Last week of August 2020	Gr. 9 Orientation Day
Early September 2020	Boys/Girls Gr. 9 Retreat

Students in CC Family of Schools

In order to register at Corpus Christi C.S.S. for 2020 - 2021, follow the directions for using www.myBlueprint.ca/hcdsb found on back of the Course Selection Form, by Wednesday December 4, 2019.

Return three items to your Grade 8 teacher:

1. Signed Course Selection Form
2. \$65 Activity Fee or Cash on-line receipt - select Corpus Christi
3. Signed copy of the *Course Selection Sign-Off Sheet* (printed after submission of courses at www.myBlueprint.ca) *and Consent Forms with signatures*

Students NOT in CC Family of Schools

By December 4, 2019 return three items to Student Services Department at Corpus Christi:

1. Signed and completed Course Selection Form
2. \$65 Activity Fee
3. Consent Form completed with signatures

Please note that students not currently in the Corpus Christi Family of Schools are unable to submit their Course Selections electronically via www.myBlueprint.ca

Key Points to Remember!

- Pathways chosen in Grade 9 DO NOT LIMIT pathways chosen in Grade 10
- 4 year program (*Many students take 5 years*)
- Grade 10 Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test
- 40 hours of community involvement (can start volunteering in July 2020)
- Grade 11 and Grade 12 courses are chosen according to student's destination (Apprenticeships, Workplace, College, University)



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