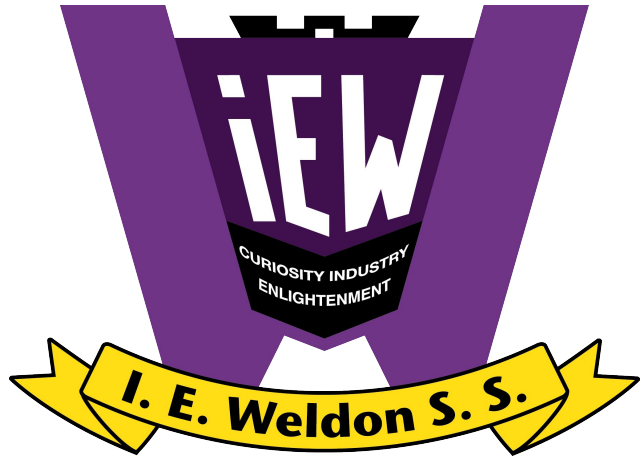


All you need to know about:

Grade 9 Course Selection



WELCOME FUTURE Wildcats!
Class of 2029

Icebreaker Poll #1

What is the I. E. Weldon mascot?

- a) Wildcats
- b) Lions
- c) Tigers
- d) Warriors



Icebreaker Poll #2

What year was I. E. Weldon founded?

- a) 1871
- b) 1945
- c) 1971
- d) 1999



Icebreaker Poll #3

What is the approximate population of I. E. Weldon?

a) 1520

b) 1060

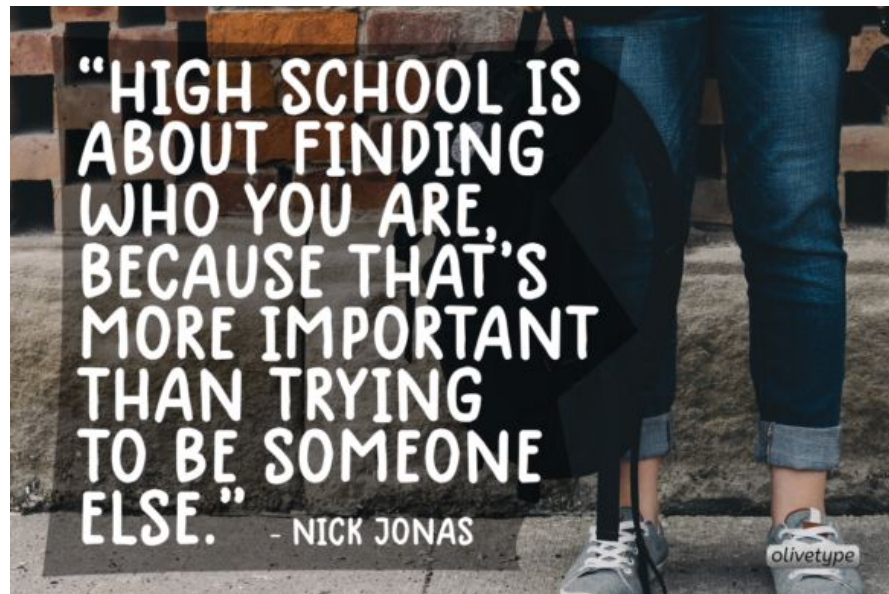
c) 900

d) 750



Learning Goals for Today

- Transition events
- High school life/responsibilities
- Role of your guidance counsellor
- Graduation requirements
- Course information
- Extra curricular activities (Life as a Wildcat!)
- Next steps
- Contact information
- Questions



Transition Events

Transition Events

November:

Pathways to Success Visits

We are coming to you! IEW Tech and Guidance staff are visiting all feeder schools, where students will participate in interactive stations to learn more about our tech classes and TLDSB experiential programs (SHSM, OYAP). Dates vary for each school.

January:

IEW Guidance Team Visits

Guidance counsellors will visit all Grade 8 classrooms to review the course selection process.

Grade 8 Family Open House (Wednesday, January 15th, 2025)

An evening for students and their parents/guardians to learn about course offerings, activities/opportunities at Weldon, and to tour the school.

February:

Course Selections are due on Wednesday, February 5th

June:

Exploring Weldon/School BBQ, Wednesday June 4th

All feeder schools will attend IEW for the day! The morning will be a fun and interactive opportunity to learn about classes at Weldon, clubs, teams and much more. In the afternoon you are all welcome to join our yearly school BBQ, which is filled with games, activities, school spirit, and food!

August/September

Orientation/LINK Day (date TBD)

Students are welcomed by IEW student leaders for a great day of activities to welcome you to IEW, and build community/school spirit.



We are here!

What do you think are some differences
between ELEMENTARY SCHOOL and HIGH
SCHOOL?



Elementary School

Take same courses for the whole year

All courses picked for you

Move from grade to grade

Tests and Assignments

Coat rack/desk cubby

Nutrition breaks

Classes start at 9:00 a.m.

Some independence

Performance expectations

Accessing extra support

High School

Take 4 different courses each semester

You pick pathway and some courses

Pass/fail individual courses

Plus exams

Locker

50 minute lunch

Classes start at 8:10 a.m.

More independence

Performance expectations

Accessing extra support



High School Student Responsibilities

What do you think responsibilities are?

| | |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Attendance | Punctuality |
| Meeting deadlines | Completing your best work possible |
| TCOB before or after an absence | Self-regulating cell phone use |
| Conversations with teachers | Organizing binders or google drive |
| Time management | Balancing school and social |
| Limiting social distractions/conflicts | Participating in school life |
| Asking for help when met with challenges | Being prepared |
| Practice during class and at home | Putting pencil to paper |

A Typical Day in the Life of a Wildcat

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| PERIOD 1 (<i>Announcements</i>) | 8:10 am – 9:25 am |
| Break | 9:25 am – 9:35 am |
| PERIOD 2 | 9:35 am – 10:50 am |
| Lunch | 10:50 am – 11:45 am |
| PERIOD 3 | 11:45 am – 1:00 pm |
| Break | 1:00 pm – 1:10 pm |
| PERIOD 4 | 1:10 pm – 2:25 pm |
| Final Bell | 2:25 pm |

Bus Departures:

First Wave @ 2:34pm

Second Wave @ 2:38pm

Tumble

Week 1 ABCD

Week 2 DCBA

Week 3 BADC

Week 4 CDAB



Role of a Guidance Counsellor

- To support students/families in the course selection process
- To support Pathway planning throughout high school and onto Post-Secondary
- To link students/families to resources and supports

We're here to help!

Student Services



I.E.W. Wellesley Student Learning Services
A Division of The Wellesley School

How to make an appointment



OR



OR



Reasons for an appointment

- Address change
- Co-op
- Course selection
- Dual Credits
- Community Service Hours
- Job Postings
- Mental Health and Wellness
- OYAP
- Pathway planning
- Post-secondary planning
- SHSM
- Timetable change
- Transportation

...and so much more!



**What's YOUR
'big picture'?
We are here to help!**



Graduation Options

COA - Certificate of Accomplishment

- Programming consists of mainly not-for-credit courses

OSSC - Ontario Secondary School Certificate

- 7 compulsory credits + 7 optional credits

OSSD - Ontario Secondary School Diploma

- 17 compulsory credits + 13 optional credits



Full OSSD Graduation Requirements

**Entering Grade 9 in
2024 or Later**

17 Compulsory Credits

- 4 credits in English (1 credit per grade) *
- 3 credits in Mathematics (**Grade 9, Grade 10, and 1 credit in either Grade 11 or 12**)
- 2 credits in Science
- 1 credit in Canadian Geography (Grade 9)
- 1 credit in Canadian History (Grade 10)
- 1 credit in the Arts**
- 1 credit in Health and Physical Education
- 1 credit in French as a Second Language
- **1 credit in Technological Education (Grade 9 or 10)**
- 0.5 credit in Career Studies
- 0.5 credit in Civics and Citizenship
- **1 credit from the STEM-related course group**

STEM-Related Course Group

- Business Studies
- Computer Studies
- Cooperative Education
- Mathematics
- Science
- Technological Education

Other Requirements:

- 13 optional credits***
- OSSLT or OSSLC
- 40 hours of community involvement
- 2 e-learning credits
- Financial Literacy Requirement (2025)

NEW

Notes:

Community Involvement - Students can begin collecting hours in the summer after Grade 8. Hours are now entered online from the IE Weldon website

e-Learning Requirement - Students/families can choose to opt out through the IE Weldon website

<https://iew.tldsbc.on.ca/>



Weldon Offers Multiple Pathways



Course Planning Worksheet



IEW Grade 8 Course Planner - Class of 2028

IE Weldon Secondary School 24 Weldon Road, Lindsay, Ontario K9V 4R4

<https://iew.tdsb.on.ca/> 705-324-3585 iewguidance@tdsb.on.ca



Regular Program Course Selection

Note: Students must complete course selection using PowerSchool.

Please use this as a guide as a course selection planner and submit it to your Grade 8 teacher.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Legal Last Name: | Legal First Name: | Preferred First Name: |
| Circle One: He/Him She/Her They/Them | D.O.B. (MM/DD/YYYY): | |
| Feeder School: CSS DDES JCPS RHPS SYPS OTHER: _____ | | |
| Do you have an IEP? Yes No | Grade 8 Teacher(s): | |

ALL STUDENTS MUST SELECT A TOTAL OF 8 COURSES



Course Planning Worksheet - French Immersion



IEW Grade 8 Course Planner - Class of 2028
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<https://iew.tlidsb.on.ca/> 705-324-3585 iewguidance@tlidsb.on.ca



French Immersion Program Course Selection

Note: Students must complete course selection using PowerSchool.

Please use this as a guide as a course selection planner and submit it to your Grade 8 teacher.

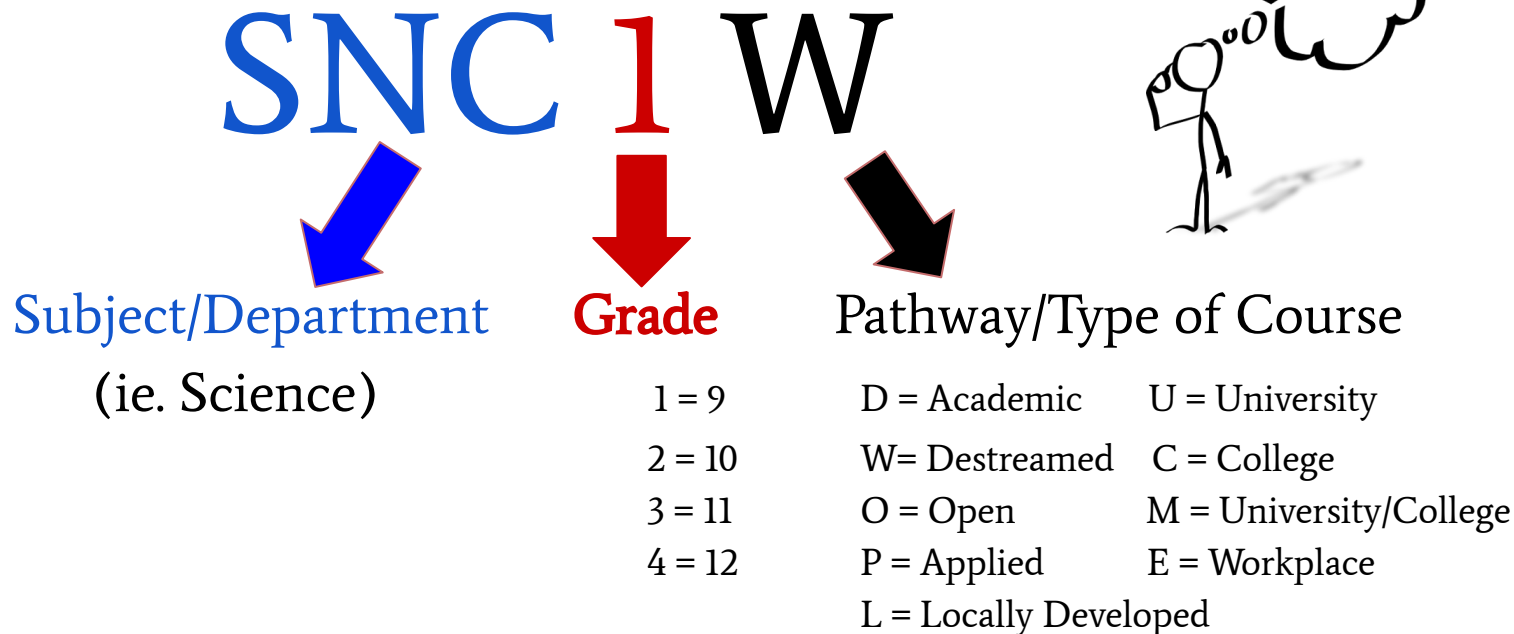
| | | |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Legal Last Name: | Legal First Name: | Preferred First Name: |
| Circle One: He/Him She/Her They/Them | D.O.B.(MM/DD/YYYY): | |
| Feeder School: CSS DDES JCPS | RHPS SYPS | OTHER: _____ |
| Do you have an IEP? Yes No | Grade 8 Teacher(s): | |

ALL STUDENTS MUST SELECT A TOTAL OF 8 COURSES



Grade 9 Choices: Common Questions

How do I read a course code?



Compulsory Courses

| REQUIRED SUBJECTS | | <i>* Students selecting locally developed courses should consult with the Department Head of Special Education.</i> | |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| English | <input type="checkbox"/> ENL1WR (Destreamed) | OR | <input type="checkbox"/> ENG1LR (Locally Developed)* |
| Mathematics | <input type="checkbox"/> MTH1WR (Destreamed) | OR | <input type="checkbox"/> MAT1LR (Locally Developed)* |
| Science | <input type="checkbox"/> SNC1WR (Destreamed) | OR | <input type="checkbox"/> SNC1LR (Locally Developed)* |
| Geography | <input type="checkbox"/> CGC1WR (Destreamed) | <i>Students must select CGC1W to meet the Geography OSSD requirement.</i> | |
| French | <input type="checkbox"/> FSF1DR (Academic) <i>For students who have completed the required 600 hours of French instruction</i> | | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> FSF1OR (Open) <i>For students without the required 600 hours of French instruction</i> | | |



Additional Courses

ADDITIONAL COURSES - STUDENTS MUST CHOOSE THREE

- ☐ **ADA1OR - Drama (Open)** *Students must complete one Art credit in high school*
- ☐ **AMU1OR - Music (Open)** *Students must complete one Art credit in high school*
- ☐ **ATC1OR - Dance (Open)** *Students must complete one Art credit in high school*
- ☐ **AVI1OR - Visual Arts (Open)** *Students must complete one Art credit in high school*
- ☐ **GLE1OR - Learning Strategies (Open)** *Available to students with an IEP*
- ☐ **HFN1OR - Food and Nutrition (Open)**
- ☐ **PPL1OR - Healthy Active Living (Open)** *Students must complete one Health & Physical Education credit in high school*
- ☐ **TAS1OR - Technology and the Skilled Trades (Open)** *Students must complete one Technological Education credit in Grade 9 or 10*

French Immersion Pathway

- Elementary French Immersion students have the option of continuing on in the program at IE Weldon. After the successful completion of **ten courses** taught in French in high school, students will earn a **French Immersion Certificate**.
- The French Immersion Program requires demonstrated interest in francophone cultures and languages. Students must show serious commitment to their written and spoken French in order to be successful in these credits.

| REQUIRED SUBJECTS | | <i>*Students selecting locally developed courses should consult with the Department Head of Special Education.</i> | |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| English | <input type="checkbox"/> ENL1WR (Destreamed) | OR | <input type="checkbox"/> ENG1LR (Locally Developed)* |
| Mathematics | <input type="checkbox"/> MTH1WR (Destreamed) | OR | <input type="checkbox"/> MAT1LR (Locally Developed)* |
| Science | <input type="checkbox"/> SNC1WR (Destreamed) | OR | <input type="checkbox"/> SNC1LR (Locally Developed)* |
| Geography | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CGC1WI (Destreamed - French Immersion) | | |
| French | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FIF1DR (French Immersion) | | |

French Immersion Pathway

ART SUBJECTS

Students must complete one Art credit in high school

- ☒ **ALC1OI - Integrated Arts (Open - French Immersion)**

HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Students must complete one Health & Physical Education credit in high school

- ☒ **PAF1OI - Personal Fitness (Open - French Immersion)**

ADDITIONAL COURSES - FI STUDENTS MAY CHOOSE ONE

- ☐ **ADA1OR - Drama (Open)** *Students must complete one Art credit in high school*
- ☐ **AMU1OR - Music (Open)** *Students must complete one Art credit in high school*
- ☐ **ATC1OR - Dance (Open)** *Students must complete one Art credit in high school*
- ☐ **AVI1OR - Visual Arts (Open)** *Students must complete one Art credit in high school*
- ☐ **GLE1OR - Learning Strategies (Open)** *Available to students with an IEP*
- ☐ **HFN1OR - Food and Nutrition (Open)**
- ☐ **TAS1OR - Technology and the Skilled Trades (Open)** *Students must complete one Technological Education credit in Grade 9 or 10*

French Immersion Program

| Grade 9 | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| ALC1OI Integrated Arts <i>Open/Immersion</i> | CHC2DI Canadian History Since WW I <i>Academic/Immersion</i> | HSP3UI Anthro, Psych, Soc <i>University/Immersion</i> | FIF4UR French <i>University/Immersion</i> |
| CGC1WI Exploring Canadian Geography <i>Destreamed/Immersion</i> | GLC2OI - half credit Career Studies <i>Open/Immersion</i> | FIF3UR French <i>University/Immersion</i> | FIF4OR French <i>Open/Immersion</i> |
| FIF1DR French <i>Academic/Immersion</i> | CHV2OI - half credit Civics <i>Open/Immersion</i> | FIF3OR French <i>Open/Immersion</i> | |
| PAF1OI Personal Fitness <i>Open/Immersion</i> | FIF2DR French <i>Academic/Immersion</i> | | |

Note: Out of catchment students who choose to leave the FI program must return to their home high school at the next entry point.

PowerPack / International Baccalaureate Pathway

Grade 9 Power Pack is no longer available.

Students can select PowerPack in Grade 10 if they choose to pursue the IB program.

Grade 11 and 12 students may continue with a full International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma or individual IB Course Packages if they so choose.



Experiential Learning and Skilled Trades

To view the most up to date information about programs visit iew.tldsbc.on.ca

SHSM - Specialist High Skills Majors



Enrichment for Skilled Trades

Grade 9 - 12



Grade 11 - 12



Co-operative Education

LEARNING TO WORK, WORKING TO LEARN

TRILLIUM LAKELANDS DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD



Extracurricular Activities at I.E. Weldon

| Fall | Winter | Spring | Year Round | | |
|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Basketball - Girls | Basketball - Boys | Antics | Athletic Union | Fibre Arts Club | Rock Band |
| Cross Country | Curling Club | Badminton | Book Club | Green Advocates | SAC |
| Golf | Hockey - Boys | Rugby - Boys | Cheer Club | Guitar Club | Trivia |
| Rugby - Girls | Hockey - Girls | Soccer - Girls | Concert Band | Karaoke | Weldon MUN Team |
| Soccer - Boys | Ski and Snowboard Club | Tennis | Debate Club | Link Crew | Weldon Writers Guild |
| Volleyball - Boys | Swimming | Track and Field | Electric Vehicle | Robotics Club | Wildcat Theatre |
| | Volleyball - Girls | | Fantasy Adventure | | |
| | Wrestling | | | | |



Next Steps: Course Selection Process

1. Mr. Shields comes to visit!
2. At the visit you will receive a course selection worksheet
3. You are welcome to attend the Grade 8 Family Open House on **Wednesday, January 15 (7:00-8:30pm)**
4. Discuss your course selection worksheet with your parents/caregivers
5. Complete your course selections on PowerSchool: **Due Wednesday February 5**

PowerSchool Info:

- Set Up Your PowerSchool Login: An email was sent to parents on **January 6** with the information on how to create your PowerSchool account. Here is a link to the [Quick Guide](#)
- Access to PowerSchool Link: <https://pschool.tldsb.on.ca/public>

Online PowerSchool Course Selection

Course selection starts on **January 14 and is due February 5, 2025**

Resources are on the IEW website (iew.tldsbc.ca)

→ Guidance & Student Services section

→ Course Selections → Grade 8 Students

It looks like this!

The new info should
be up today! →

▲ Grade 8

- [Grade 8 Course Selection presentation](#)
- [Grade 8 Course Selection Worksheet for the Class of 2029: Regular Program / French Immersion](#)
- [Online Course Selection using PowerSchool](#)
- [Grade 8 Transition to High School Events](#)

Feeling nervous? A little stressed?

- The Link Crew are a group of Grade 11 and 12 Students who support Grade 9's in the transition to high school.
- Your Link Crew Leaders will run a welcome event and connect with you throughout the year.

Grade 9 Orientation: LINK DAY **Wednesday August 27th, 2025**



Let's Review!



1. Review this slidedeck
2. Attend **Grade 8 Family Information Night** - **Wednesday, January 15th @ 7pm**
3. Discuss course selections with Grade 8 teachers/staff & family
4. Submit **course selections in PowerSchool** - **DUE Wednesday, February 5th**
5. Attend **Exploring Weldon/School BBQ Day** - **Wednesday June 4, 2025**
6. Attend **Link Day** - **Wednesday August 27th, 2025**



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QUESTIONS?

