



Beyond 8

Going To High School

Grade 8 to 9 Transition Information Session

Goals For The Evening



Information



Resources



Decisions

Creating Pathways to Success

Knowing Yourself

Who am I?

**Achieving Goals and
Making Transitions**

**What is my plan for
achieving my goals?**

**EDUCATION
AND CAREER/
LIFE PLANNING**

**What are my
opportunities?**

**Exploring
Opportunities**

**Who do I
want to become?**

Making Decisions and Setting Goals



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Choices for 9: Interactive Guide for Students, Parents and Guardians

www.tdsb.on.ca/Beyond8



Designated School by Address

What is your Home school and how to find it?

www.tdsb.on.ca

The screenshot shows the TDSB website interface. At the top left is the TDSB logo and the text "Toronto District School Board". To the right are links for "New to Canada", "Policies", "About Us", "Staff", and "Employment". Below these is a search bar with "ENHANCED BY Google" and a "Translate" button. A navigation bar contains links for "EARLY YEARS", "ELEMENTARY SCHOOL", "HIGH SCHOOL", "ADULT LEARNERS", "PARENTS & CAREGIVERS", and "COMMUNITY". The main content area features a blue banner on the left with the text "Read the latest issue of our e-newsletter Online Now!" and a "LEARN MORE" button. To the right is a yellow banner with a tablet displaying "tdsb Connects". Below these banners is a row of six service tiles: "School Year Calendar", "Student Transportation", "Find Your School" (circled in red with a red arrow pointing to it), "Transcripts & Student Records", "Continuing Education", and "Mental Health & Well-Being".

Find Your School

Find your designated school by entering your address, see school contact details and find out who your principal, vice-principal, superintendent and trustee are. Also explore other educational opportunities through the TDSB.



By Home Address

Fill in your address in the search box



By School Name

Browse by alphabetical school listing

Find Your School By Address

**Find Your
School**



**By
Address**

Find Your School By Address

To find the Schools that serve your residential address for REGULAR PROGRAMS.

Enter Street number *

e.g. 123A

Enter the name of your street including type and direction *

e.g. Finch Ave W, North York

SEARCH

Find Your School By Address

E Elementary School

Anson Park Public School (JK - 8)

30 MacDuff Cres, Scarborough, ON

M1M 1X5

(416)396-6030

AnsonPark@tdsb.on.ca

[Anson Park Public School Boundaries](#)

[Anson Park Public School Attendance Area](#)



M Intermediate School

Anson Park Public School

30 MacDuff Cres, Scarborough, ON

M1M 1X5

(416)396-6030

AnsonPark@tdsb.on.ca

[Anson Park Public School Boundaries](#)

[Anson Park Public School Attendance Area](#)



S Secondary School

R H King Academy (9 - 12)

3800 St Clair Ave E, Scarborough, ON

M1M 1V3

(416)396-5550

RHKing@tdsb.on.ca

[R H King Academy Boundaries](#)

[R H King Academy Attendance Area](#)



Transitioning To High School

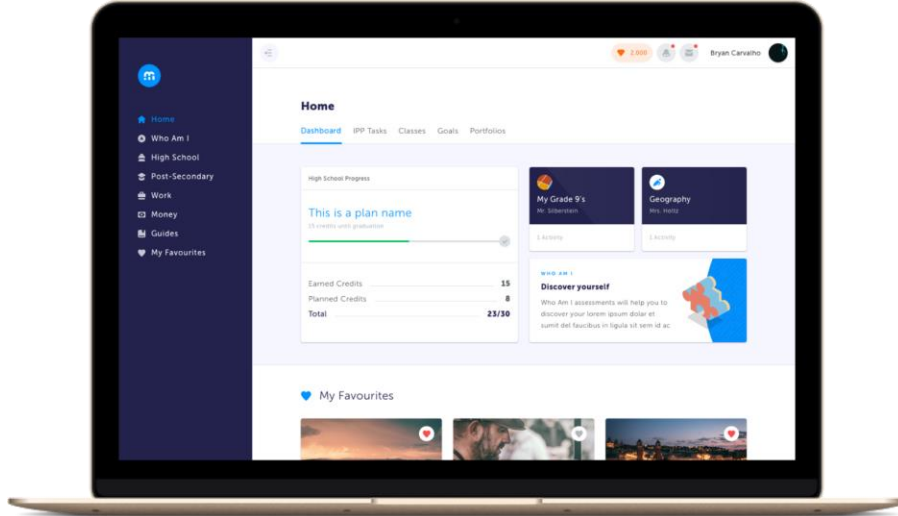
What Should You Expect In Grade 9?

Your Role In The Transition: Simple Steps For Success



Accessing myBlueprint.ca/tdsb

Online educational & career planning tool for students and parents



In myBlueprint You Can:



Plan For High School



Explore Post-Secondary



Do Self Assessments



Create Resumes, Cover Letters, & Portfolios



Do Occupational Exploration

Informed Course Planning

Track, select, and explore your secondary pathway options

Your courses are **Not Submitted**

1 Step 1
Add Courses

2 Step 2
Review Courses

Grade 9 Next Year	Grade 10 Plan Ahead
English, Grade 9 ENL1W1 • 1 Credit	English
Mathematics MTH1W1 • 1 Credit	Mathematics
Science SNC1W1 • 1 Credit	Science
Core French FSFID1 • 1 Credit	History
Exploring Canadian Geogr... CGC1W1 • 1 Credit	Civics/Careers
Healthy Active Living Edu... PPL1O1 • 1 Credit	Course
Visual Arts - Expressing Fi... NAC1O1 • 1 Credit	Course
Technology and the Skille... TAS1O1 • 1 Credit	Course

Graduation Indicator

8/30

REQUIRED CREDITS

8
Planned

0
Earned

8
Total

View Progress

Learn More

Pathway Eligibility

Last Updated

Feb 13, 2024, 7:34 a.m.

Refresh Eligibility

Apprenticeship
College

39
619

Plan & Select Courses

Track Graduation Requirements

Discover Post-Secondary Eligibility

View SHSM Program Options

HOW TO LOG IN

STEP 1



Welcome Back

School Account Log In

Select: **"School Account Login"**

STEP 2



Sign in

Enter your TDSB email address here, then click Next

[Can't access your account?](#)

Next

Use TDSB Credentials

(no new username/password required)

Pathways Exploration

Helpful links and resources for parents and caregivers to continue the conversation at home

Pathways Exploration

Helpful myBlueprint links and resources
for parents and caregivers 📌

Continue the conversation at home

Access additional resources to support your
student in discovering their pathway options.



Scan QR Code

Quick access on your mobile device



Secondary School Open Houses and Information Nights

School	Date	Time	Centralized or Alternative Programs(All) ▾	Local Programs(All) ▾
A Y Jackson Secondary School	Nov 25, 2026	6:30PM-8:30PM	Centralized or Alternative Programs(All)	
			Africentric Program (A)	Advanced Placement (AP)
			Alternative (ALT)	Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)
			Arts Focus (AF)	
Agincourt Collegiate Institute	Dec 10, 2026	6:30PM-8:30PM	Athletic Leadership (AL)	French Immersion (FI)
			Indigenous Education (IE)	Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)
			International Baccalaureate (IB)	
			Leadership (LEAD)	
Albert			Math and Science Focus (MST)	

Planning For The Future



Apprenticeship



**College /
Polytechnic**



University



Workplace

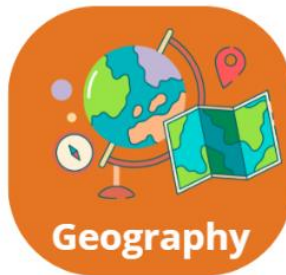
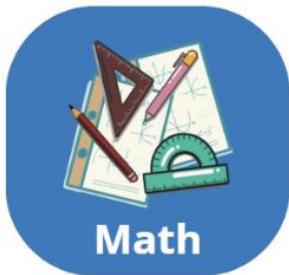


Community

Use myBlueprint to explore career options, compare college, university, and apprenticeship programs, and track your graduation progress—all in one place!

Grade 9 Course Selections

In Grade 9, students will typically take a total of 8 courses

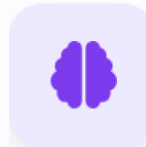


Grade 9 Course Selections

GLS10 / GLE10: Skills for Success



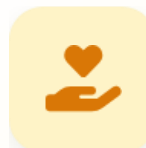
Build Core Academic Skills



Executive Functioning



Self-Advocacy & Pathway Readiness



Dedicated Academic Support

What Students Need to Graduate (OSSD)

17 Compulsory

17

Mandatory subjects
required by the
Ministry of Education.

13 Electives

13

Optional credits
customized to
student goals and
post-secondary
pathways.



Other Requirements



40 Volunteer Hours



Literacy Test (OSSLT)



2 Online Learning Credits



Financial Literacy Test

17 Compulsory Courses



English

1 credit per grade

4.0



Technological Ed.

Grade 9 or Grade 10

1.0



Mathematics

Grades 9, 10 & Grade 11 or 12

3.0



The Arts

Visual, Drama, Music, or Dance

1.0



Science

(Grades 9 & 10)

2.0



Health & Phys. Ed.

Active living and health studies

1.0



Canadian History

Required Grade 10 course

1.0



French (2nd Lang.)

Core French or Immersion

1.0



Canadian Geography

Required Grade 9 course

1.0



Civics & Careers

0.5 credit each (Grade 10)

1.0



1 STEM Credit



Business Studies



Computer Studies



Cooperative Education (Co-op)



4th Mathematics Credit



3rd Science Credit



2nd Tech Education Credit

Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)



Ontario Secondary School Certificate (OSSC)

14 CREDITS
IN TOTAL



7 COMPULSORY
CREDITS

+

7 OPTIONAL
CREDITS

Compulsory Credits (7 total)

- 2 English credits
- 1 Canadian geography or Canadian history credit
- 1 mathematics credit
- 1 science credit
- 1 health and physical education credit
- 1 arts, computer studies, or technological education credit

Optional Credits (7 total)

7 optional credits chosen by the student from available courses

CERTIFICATE OF ACCOMPLISHMENT

Students who leave school upon reaching the age of 18 without having met the requirements for the OSSD or OSSC may be granted a Certificate of Accomplishment.

This certificate is a useful means of recognizing achievement for students who plan to continue certain kinds of training or find employment.

A student may return to school and take additional credit and non-credit courses and have their transcript (OST) updated. A new certificate will not be awarded, but an OSSD or OSSC will be granted when the returning student has fulfilled the requirements.



Understanding High School Credits



1 CREDIT

Achieve **50% or higher** in a course to earn a credit



GRADE 9 GOAL

Take **8 courses**, earn **8 credits**!



INCOMPLETE CREDIT

Receive **below 50%** in a course



STAY ON TRACK

Get help early — **every student** should have a clear path forward

How is High School Scheduled?

Semestered		
Period	Semester 1	Semester 2
1	ENL1W1 English	MTH1W1 Math
2	SNC1W1 Science	CGC1W1 Geography
3	FSF1D1 French	PPL101 Healthy Active Living
4	TAS101 Technology & The Skilled Trades	NAC101 Expressing First Nations, Métis & Inuit Cultures

Central Programs and Admissions



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Central Program Admissions Office

► Specialized Programs

Early French Immersion

Middle French Immersion

Out of Area Admissions

Elementary Alternative Schools

High Performing Athletes

F.A.S.T.

Secondary School Programs Search
Tool



Find Your School

Find your designated school (elementary, intermediate or secondary) based on your primary address of residence.



Find Your Designated French School

Find your designated French Program school (elementary, intermediate or secondary) based on your primary address of residence.

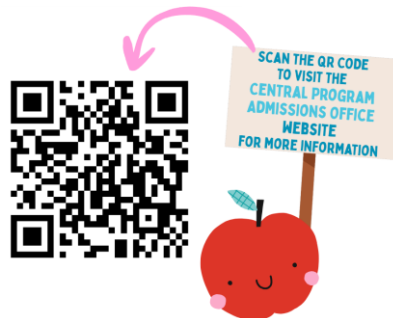


New to Canada

Non-resident students new to the TDSB and fee-paying International Students.

What is the Central Program Admissions Office?

The Central Program Admissions Office coordinates and facilitates the application and enrollment processes for the TDSB Central Programs listed below. While the majority of students attend their local, designated school by address, some families may opt to apply for one of a variety of TDSB Central Program options. Learn more about the admission process, key registration and application timelines. Whether you are new to the TDSB or a current student, there are options for you to consider!



Specialized Programs

Central Program Admissions Office

Specialized Programs

Elementary Specialized Arts
Programs

Application and Admissions

Academic Achievement and
Demonstration of Knowledge and
Skills

Addressing Vacant Seats

Arts

International Baccalaureate

Leadership

Math, Science and Technology

Applicant Eligibility Benchmark
Calculator

Additional Resources

Early French Immersion

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Specialized Programs

The TDSB offers Specialized Programs that are focused on the Arts, Math, Science & Technology, Leadership and more! All students meeting the eligibility requirements with an interest in the program focus are invited to apply. Please note that the application and admissions process has changed. Visit the [Applications and Admissions website](#) for more information.



UPDATE - The In-Person Assessments have been scheduled as follows:

International Baccalaureate - Monday December 7, 2026

Leadership - Wednesday, December 9, 2026

Math, Science and Technology - Monday, December 7, 2026

In the event of inclement weather / school closures any or all of the three in-person assessments will be written on Monday, December 14, 2026. No accommodations for travel will be made for any of these assessment dates.

(Updated: May 1, 2026)



The application for September 2027 will be open from **November 9 - 27, 2026**.

All In-Person Assessments will take place between **December 7 - 17, 2026**. No accommodations for travel will be made.

(Updated March 9, 2026)

Learn more about each of the programs:

- [Arts](#)
- [International Baccalaureate](#)
- [Leadership](#)
- [Math, Science and Technology](#)

Please note that transportation is not provided for any Specialized Program.

Learn more about:

- [Applications and Admissions](#)
- [Addressing Vacant Seats](#)
- [Academic Achievement and Demonstrations of Knowledge and Skills](#)
- [FAQ Secondary French and Specialized Programs](#)
- [Elementary Specialized Programs](#)

[Specialized Programs Q&A](#)

[Specialized Programs: Offers
and Admissions Q & A \(NEW\)](#)

[Additional Resources](#)

Explore program options such as Arts, International Baccalaureate (IB), Leadership, and Mathematics, Science, & Technology (MST). This section outlines application windows, admission requirements and assessment information.

Use the CPAO website to explore program options and application pathways.

www.tdsb.on.ca/cpao

Out-Of-Area Admissions

Find your...

▼ School

By Home Address

► By School Name

▼ **Out-of-Area Admissions**

Elementary

Secondary

Accessing Remote Learning

Random Selection Process
Priorities

Resources

Supporting Students

Elementary Programs

Secondary Programs

Alternative Schools

e-Learning Programs

French Programs

Special Education and Inclusion
Programs

► Registration



Out-of-Area Admissions

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Elementary Out-of-Area Admissions

Application, timelines and details
related to accessing an
elementary school other than your
designated school by address

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Secondary Out-of-Area Admissions

Application, timelines and details
related to accessing a secondary
school other than your designated
school by address

VSS

Accessing Remote Learning

Learn about accessing Virtual
Elementary School and Virtual
Secondary School

Students who reside within the City of Toronto have the right to attend a school which is designated for their residential address. The "[Find Your School](#)" section of the website identifies the designated schools for each residential address.

Students also have the opportunity to access schools outside of the school that is designated to serve their home address, or Virtual School, by applying for Out-of-Area Admissions.

The online application will be made available each year in January for admission the following September.

Find information about applying to a school other than a student's designated home school. This section includes application details and timelines.

Secondary Schools Without a Boundary (SSWAB) are accessed through OOA Admissions.

Africentric Secondary Programs

Programs integrate an Africentric curriculum model to provide an alternative, culturally rich educational experience designed to engage and support all students.

The Leonard Braithwaite Program	Winston Churchill Collegiate Institute (East End / Scarborough)
Africentric Secondary Program	Downsview Secondary School (West End / North York)



High Academic Achievement



Increased Student Engagement



Promotes Cultural Pride

Alternative Secondary Programs

A personalized, flexible path to earning your Ontario High School Diploma.



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Small Learning Communities

Smaller class sizes and closer teacher connections.

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Hands-On & Project-Based

Interactive learning tailored to unique student interests.

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Same Ontario Diploma (OSSD)

Full high school credits in an inclusive environment.

Indigenous Education

The Urban Indigenous Education Centre (UIEC) has been engaged in focused Indigenous Education work in the Toronto District School Board since 2008. Guided by the UIEC Elders Council and the UI Community Advisory Committee, the UIEC is dedicated to enhancing First Nations, Métis, and Inuit students' well-being and achievement, and creating opportunities for Indigenous education for all staff and students in the TDSB by focusing on the Seven Canopies.

Secondary Learning Environments

Kâpapâmahchakwêw - Wandering Spirit School of Toronto

The Native Learning Centre

The Native Learning Centre East

Please visit the Urban Indigenous Education Centre website to learn more:
<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/indigenouseducation/>



The 7 Canopies

01

Student Voice

02

Professional Learning

03

Community Engagement

04

Partnerships

05

Programming and Curriculum Development

06

Research and Innovation

07

Policy, Governance, and Indigenous Rights



Secondary French Programs

Secondary French Program Pathways

Address-Based Pathway: For students in the TDSB currently in French Immersion (FI), their pathway to secondary school programs is determined by their principal residential home address of record at entry.

School Designation: This address dictates which Grade 8 school they attend and, subsequently, their designated secondary school for French Immersion.

Out-of-Area Admissions Policy

Designated Pathway Return: Due to changes in the Out-of-Area Admissions procedure, students attending FI outside their designated address area must return to their designated pathway school by address for middle and secondary school.

Application Process: To attend a non-designated FI school, you must apply online through Out-of-Area Admissions within established timelines. Admission is not guaranteed.

Transportation: If admitted through Out-of-Area Admissions, no transportation is provided.



Find Your Designated French School: Enter your address in [Find Your Designated French School](#) and refer to the resulting schools indicated.

For further information, please visit: www.tdsb.on.ca/Elementary-School/School-Choices/French-Programs/Secondary-Programs

Important Dates

October

Attend your
**Elementary
School
Transition
Event.**

November

Attend
**Secondary
Open Houses &
Info Nights.
Specialized
Program
applications
OPEN.**

Nov 9 – 27

December

Attend
**Secondary
Open Houses &
Info Nights.
In-Person
Assessments
for Specialized
Programs.**

Dec 7 – 17

January

**Out-of-Area
Admissions
applications
OPEN.**

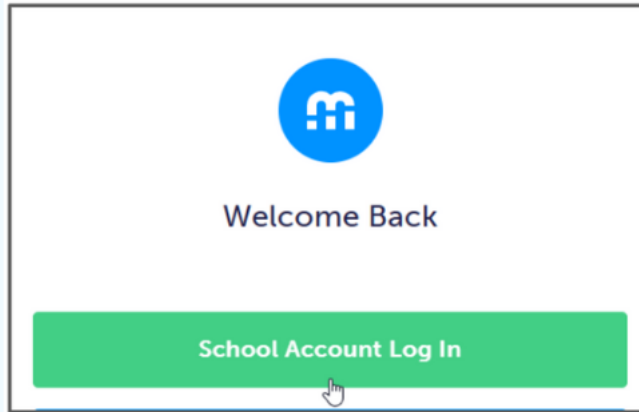
Jan 4 – 22

February

**Course
selection occurs
using
myBlueprint.**

Important Dates

Final Step: Course Selection



February

Course selection occurs
using **myBlueprint**.

Feb 26

4:00 PM deadline
to submit course
selection.

Who to Connect With For Support



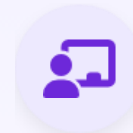
High School Open Houses

This is the best way to get a feel for a school and explore its programs.



Contact High Schools Directly

Reach out for specific questions about programming



Current Elementary Guidance Teacher

Connect for assistance with **myBlueprint**, course selection, and transition guidance.

Questions?



Thank You!