## Vegreville Composite High Junior High Registration Book 2022-2023

VCHS provides a safe and caring learning environment. Our students are held to a Code of Conduct exemplified by the virtues of Cougar Pride; commitment, empathy, and enthusiasm which guide us in our day-to-day conduct.

Commitment:
Making a commitment involves dedication and the obligation to take steps to make it happen.

Empathy:
Empathy means to "Treat others as you would have others treat you". Be sensitive to the struggles of others.

## Enthusiasm:

Demonstrating a good attitude, great eagerness, and putting your whole heart into what you do.

## GRADE 7

## REQUIRED COURSES

- English Language Arts 7
- Mathematics 7
- Science 7
- Social Studies 7


## COMPLEMENTARY COURSES

- Construction 7
- Foods 7
- Digital Design 7
- Health 7
- Learning Strategies 7
- Literacy Booster ?? name asking HelpDesk 7
- Physical Education 7
- STEM Challenge


## ELECTIVE COURSES

- Athletic Leadership 7
- Art 7
- Band 7 ??
- Drama 7
- Fashion Studies 7
- Outdoor Education 7
- Personal Fitness 7
- French ?? 7


## REQUIRED COURSES

## English Language Arts 7

The Grade Seven curriculum provides continuity with the elementary years and allows students to consolidate their language skills. A writing skills text and a literature anthology are used, and are supplemented by the study of novels and films.

## Mathematics 7

The Grade Seven Mathematics Curriculum provides students with the opportunity to study Number Concepts and Operations, Patterns and Relations, Shape and Space, and Statistics and Probability. Textbook work and practice time enhance student understanding in these areas.

## Science 7

Students study five general topics in Grade Seven Science: Interactions and Ecosystems, Plants for Food and Fibre, Heat and Temperature, Structures and Forces and Planet Earth. Labs and activities are used along with lessons in class to help students develop a strong understanding of the concepts presented in this course.

## Social Studies 7

From Acadians and the Beothuk to the Winnipeg General Strike and Vimy Ridge, Social Studies Seven explores Canada's history. The course is divided into two main sections: Pre-Confederation and Post-Confederation.

## COMPLEMENTARY COURSES

## Construction Technology 7

Anticipated fee: \$38.50
The Construction Technology strand provides opportunities for students to investigate and develop knowledge and skills related to the building and manufacturing trades and occupations.

## Food Studies 7

Anticipated fee: $\$ 35.00$
Welcome to the world of Food Studies! This year you will learn the routines and communication skills required to work in the kitchen. We will play team building games, practice lab routines, and learn the safety needed to start cooking. Throughout the semester you will get the chance to cook a variety of recipes including pancakes, spaghetti, stir fry, tourtiere, and cookies! Students will also experience serving in the cafeteria at lunch as all our Food Studies and Culinary Arts programs share in this job.

## Digital Design 7

Anticipated fee: \$10.00
Students will develop the skills necessary to create meaningful graphic design projects using Adobe Creative Suite. Students will learn the basics of 3D modelling using google sketch up and 3D Studio max. They will also explore the world of photography and film making.

## Health 7

Health provides students information to make responsible and informed choices to maintain health and to promote safety for self and others. Students will develop effective interpersonal skills that demonstrate responsibility, respect and caring in order to establish and maintain healthy interactions and use resources effectively to manage and explore life roles and career opportunities and challenges.

## Learning Strategies 7

Students will learn about organization, study strategies, coping with deadlines, and how to best ensure that they will be successful in their school subjects. Through fun activities and regular organization/study blocks, this course helps students to take control of their learning in junior high. Students will be provided time to focus on literacy and numeracy.

## Physical Education 7

The junior high physical education courses include a variety of activities such as soccer, volleyball, basketball, badminton* and track and field. A major emphasis is on sportsmanship and teamwork. *Students are required to supply their own badminton racquet for physical education in grades 7 through 10.

## Literacy Booster Name to be Determined 7

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## STEM Challenge 7

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## ELECTIVE COURSES

Elective course offerings will be determined by availability and student requests. A minimum enrolment will be required before a course will be offered.

## Athletic Leadership 7

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Students will learn skills to develop and enhance their leadership capacity. Leadership will be achieved through interactive school projects, group activities, and individual skill development.

## Art 7

Anticipated fee: $\$ 20.00$
The junior high Art curriculum introduces and reinforces basic art concepts through studying the elements of art. Art 7 will provide an opportunity for hands-on learning by working with materials in new and creative ways.

## Band 7

Anticipated fee: $\$ 100.00$ ( $\$ 25.00$ Course Fee, $\$ 75.00$ Instrument Rental Fee)
This course is for students interested in learning to play a musical instrument as part of a team in a fun, hands-on concert band setting. No previous music experience is necessary for Band 7, but any background in music is beneficial. Through playing woodwind, brass and percussion instruments, students will learn everything from assembling the instrument, how to read and create music, and play as part of a band in order to prepare for concerts, festivals, clinics, band camp and trips.

## Drama 7

Anticipated fee: $\$ 10.50$
The aim of the junior high Drama program is to develop an appreciation for drama and theatre. Students will be introduced to the basics of acting through theatre games, pantomime, using the voice effectively on stage, improvisation and scripted plays.

## Fashion Studies 7

Anticipated fee: $\$ 38.50$ plus cost of optional projects
Students will start to explore the many creative areas of fashion including embroidery, hand and machine sewing, pattern design and yarn art. Projects may include quilt pillows, knitted scarves and stuffed toys. Students will also explore personal fashion where students look at why they wear what they wear, fashion trends, clothing care, and general clothing maintenance.

## French 7

The Grade Seven French course provides a variety of interesting themes to build and expand the student's French language base.

## Outdoor Education 7

The junior high physical education courses include a variety of activities such as soccer, volleyball, basketball, badminton* and track and field. A major emphasis is on sportsmanship and teamwork. *Students are required to supply their own badminton racquet for physical education in grades 7 through 10.

## Personal Fitness 7

Anticipated fee: \$15.00
In this activity based course, there will be an emphasis on the importance of fitness in our daily lives, setting goals for fitness, as well expanding upon previous physical education knowledge through various games and activities. Team and individual games, as well as fitness will be the major focus of this course.

## GRADE 8

## REQUIRED COURSES

- English Language Arts 8
- Mathematics 8
- Science 8
- Social Studies 8


## COMPLEMENTARY COURSES

- Construction 8
- Digital Design 8
- Foods 8
- Health 8
- Physical Education 8
- STEM Challenge 8
- Literacy Booster to be named 8


## ELECTIVE COURSES

- Advanced Construction 8
- Athletic Leadership 8
- Art 8
- Baking 8
- Band 8
- Cosmetology 8
- Drama 8
- Fashion Studies 8
- French 8
- Film Studies 8
- Leadership 8
- Management \& Marketing


## REQUIRED COURSES

## English Language Arts 8

The grade eight curriculum provides continuity with previous years and allows students to consolidate their language skills. A writing skills text and a literature anthology are used, and are supplemented by the study of novels and films.

## Mathematics 8

Mathematics eight is an exciting course that solidifies past learning and sets the framework for new concepts in mathematics. Units of study include geometry, transformations, integers, data analysis and probability, fractions, rates and ratios, percents and decimals, exponents and roots, linear relationships and algebra.

## Science 8

The grade eight Science curriculum includes 5 units of study: Mix and Flow of Matter, Cells and Systems, Light and Optical Systems, Mechanical Systems, and Fresh and Saltwater Systems. This course provides students with a background in many subject areas which are built upon at the Senior High School level.

## Social Studies 8

Students in Social Studies eight will examine issues related to contact between societies with differing worldviews. They will explore elements of worldviews and how these views are expressed by people living in different times and in different places, reflect on their own worldviews, and assess the influence that the past has had on the present. Topics of study include: Origins of a Western Worldview: Renaissance Europe; Worldviews in Conflict: The Spanish and the Aztecs; and From Isolation to Adaptation; Japan.

## Health 8

Health provides students information to make responsible and informed choices to maintain health and to promote safety for self and others. Students will develop effective interpersonal skills that demonstrate responsibility, respect and caring in order to establish and maintain healthy interactions and use resources effectively to manage and explore life roles and career opportunities and challenges.

## Physical Education 8

The junior high physical education courses include a variety of activities such as soccer, volleyball, basketball, badminton* and track and field. A major emphasis is on sportsmanship and teamwork. *Students are required to supply their own badminton racquet for physical education in grades 7 through 10.

## ELECTIVE COURSES

Elective course offerings will be determined by availability and student requests. A minimum enrolment will be required before a course will be offered.

## Art 8

Anticipated fee: \$20.00
The junior high Art curriculum introduces and reinforces basic art concepts through studying the elements of art. Art 8 will provide an opportunity for hands-on learning by working with materials in new and creative ways.

## Band 8

Anticipated fee: $\$ 100.00$ ( $\$ 25.00$ Course Fee, $\$ 75.00$ Instrument Rental Fee)
This course is for students interested in continuing to learn to play a musical instrument as part of a team in a fun, hands-on concert band setting. Students who do not have previous music experience are welcome and asked to contact Ms. Yule. Through playing woodwind, brass and percussion instruments, students will develop their ability to create music and be part of a band in order to prepare for concerts, festivals, clinics, band camp, and trips.

## Construction Technology 8

Anticipated fee: \$38.50
The Construction Technology strand provides opportunities for students to investigate and develop knowledge and skills related to the building and manufacturing trades and occupations.

## Digital Media and Design 8

Anticipated fee: \$10.00
Students will develop the skills necessary to create meaningful graphic design projects using Adobe Creative Suite. Students will learn the basics of 3D modelling using google sketch up and 3D Studio max. They will also explore the world of photography and film making.

## Drama 8

Anticipated fee: \$10.50
The aim of the junior high Drama program is to develop an appreciation for drama and theatre. Students will be introduced to the basics of acting through theatre games, pantomime, using the voice effectively on stage, improvisation and scripted plays.

## Fashion Studies 8

Anticipated fee: $\$ 38.50$ plus cost of optional projects
Students will continue to explore areas of fashion including home decor, surface embellishment and recycled fashion. More advanced machine and hand sewing skills will be achieved as well as a continued look into the fashion industry including cultural and historical sewing. Projects may include items for the home/students rooms, bags/backpacks, and personal accessories like phone cases, wallets and hats.

## Fitness and Wellness 8

Anticipated fee: $\$ 15.00$
In this activity based course, there will be an emphasis on the importance of fitness in our daily lives, setting goals for fitness, as well expanding upon previous physical education knowledge through various games and activities. Team and individual games as well as fitness will be the major focus of this course.

## Food Studies 8

Anticipated fee: $\$ 35.00$
Time to expand your skills! This year students will create recipes, study nutrition and food culture, and end with an iron chef style cooking contest. This year you will also find some of your classes will be in the cafeteria making the food we serve at lunch. Students will also continue to serve in the cafeteria at lunch along with all levels of Food Studies and Culinary Arts.

## French 8

This course provides a variety of interesting themes to build and expand the student's French language base.

## Leadership 8

Students will learn skills to develop and enhance their leadership capacity. Leadership will be achieved through interactive school projects, group activities, and individual skill development.

## Religious Studies 8

Students will examine the meaning and development of religion and religious ethics. They will be provided an opportunity to experience a number of cultural, historical and contemporary issues from a religious point of view, and through the study of religion as a separate discipline, "develop a philosophy based upon values conducive to ethical and moral behaviour as reflected in an understanding of human worth." (Government of Alberta, Report of the Commission on Educational Planning)

## GRADE 9

## REQUIRED COURSES

- English Language Arts 9
- Mathematics 9
- Science 9
- Social Studies 9
- Health 9
- Physical Education 9


## ELECTIVE COURSES

- Art 9
- Baking 9
- Band 9
- Construction Technology 9
- Digital Media and Design 9
- Drama 9
- Fashion Studies 9
- Food Studies 9
- French 9
- Leadership 9
- Personal Image Design 9 (Cosmetology)
- Sports Acceleration 9


## REQUIRED COURSES

## English Language Arts 9

The grade nine curriculum focuses on learning opportunities in three main areas: Listening and Speaking, Reading and Writing and Viewing and Representing

## Mathematics 9

The Mathematics nine course is designed to give students a solid understanding of mathematics as it is essential in the workplace and everyday living. The course develops the student to: use mathematics confidently to solve problems; communicate and reason mathematically; appreciate and value mathematics; commit themselves to lifelong learning; and become mathematically literate adults, using mathematics to contribute to society.

## Science 9

The grade nine Science curriculum includes 5 units of study that have expectations, objectives, and outcomes based on the Alberta Program of Studies. This course provides students with a more advanced look at some concepts already covered in grades seven and eight as well as a foundation for the senior high science courses.

## Social Studies 9

Social Studies nine focuses primarily on Canada, examining the political and economic systems of our nation-state. Our study of these two systems will revolve around such issues as governance, rights and responsibilities, citizenship, quality of life, and identity.

## Health 9

Health provides students information to make responsible and informed choices to maintain health and to promote safety for self and others. As well, students will develop effective interpersonal skills that demonstrate responsibility, respect and caring in order to establish and maintain healthy interactions. Students will use resources effectively to manage and explore life roles and career opportunities and challenges.

## Physical Education 9

The junior high physical education courses include a variety of activities such as soccer, volleyball, basketball, badminton* and track and field. A major emphasis is on sportsmanship and teamwork. *Students are required to supply their own badminton racquet for physical education in grades 7 through 10.

## ELECTIVE COURSES

Elective course offerings will be determined by availability and student requests. A minimum enrolment will be required before a course will be offered.

## Art 9

Anticipated fee: $\$ 16.50$
The junior high Art curriculum introduces and reinforces basic art concepts through studying the elements of art. Various projects and different media are used.

## Baking 9

Anticipated fee: \$35.00
Do you have what it takes to be a baking master? Did you excel in Food Studies 9 and want to take your baking skills to the next level? This course will focus on advanced baking techniques exploring challenging recipes focusing on more advanced pastry techniques like light and airy cream puffs and specialty plated desserts.

## Band 9

Anticipated fee: \$100.00 (\$25.00 Course Fee, \$75.00 Instrument Rental Fee)
This course is for students interested in continuing to learn to play a musical instrument as part of a team in a fun, hands-on concert band setting. Through playing woodwind, brass and percussion instruments, students will develop their ability to create music and be part of a band in order to prepare for concerts, festivals, clinics, band camp, and trips. This class will run outside the regular timetable; students will meet twice a week before school.

## Construction Technology 9

Anticipated fee: $\$ 38.50$
The construction technologies strand provides opportunities for students to investigate and develop knowledge and skills related to the building and manufacturing trades and occupations.

## Digital Media and Design 9

Anticipated fee: \$10.00
Students will develop the skills necessary to create meaningful graphic design projects using Adobe Creative Suite. Students will learn the basics of 3D modelling using google sketch up and 3D Studio max. They will also explore the world of photography and film making.

## Drama 9

Anticipated fee: \$10.50
The aim of the junior high Drama program is to develop an appreciation for drama and theatre. Students will be introduced to the basics of acting through theatre games, pantomime, using the voice effectively on stage, improvisation and scripted plays.

## Fashion Studies 9

Anticipated fee: $\$ 38.50$ plus cost of optional projects
Students will be introduced to many aspects of fabric creation including weaving, dyeing, printmaking and finally, creation of their own designer fabric. Introductory sewing and patternmaking skills will also be explored, as well as a look at the fashion industry. Projects may
include art pieces created from felting and weaving raw wool, accessories constructed from hand dyed fabric, and a garment made from student's designer fabric.

## Food Studies 9

Anticipated fee: $\$ 35.00$
Now that you have serious skills we will be upping the difficulty and creativity level. Students will build on baking skills, discover a variety of ways to prepare dishes using the many fascinating properties of eggs, create and prepare a 3 course menu consisting of appetizer, main, and dessert. Challenges include preparing a filled, frosted and decorated layer cake, creating a breakfast on the go item and a Black Box challenge. Some classes will be in the cafeteria making food for lunch service and students will continue to serve in the cafeteria at lunch along with all levels of Food Studies and Commercial Foods.

## French 9

This course provides a variety of interesting themes to build and expand the student's French language base.

## Leadership 9

Students will learn skills to develop and enhance their leadership capacity. Leadership will be achieved through interactive school projects, group activities and individual skill development.

## Personal Image Design 9 (Cosmetology)

Anticipated fee: $\$ 15.00$
This course teaches basic life skills pertaining to hygiene, fashion, style, workplace attire, personal grooming (nails, hair, makeup and clothing), verbal and non-verbal communication. As students move toward independence, they become more aware of their image through self-reflection, thus building self-confidence. Students will take inventory of their personal image by performing: skin care, facial, makeup and hair techniques.

## Sports Acceleration 9

Anticipated fee: $\$ 15.00$
Healthy minds and bodies are needed so that we may be creative students and citizens of the 21st century. Learn what it takes to make yourself healthy, happy, active and productive through proper nutrition, dealing with stress, time management, and the importance of making informed, responsible and healthy decisions. This course is designed for the student-athlete who will create a fitness plan tailored to their personal goals and improve fitness through regular activities.

## Athletics \& Extra-Curricular Opportunities

- Badminton Team
- Basketball Team
- Cougar Council Leadership
- Cross Country Running Team
- Curling
- Football
- Intramurals (lunch hour)
- MHCB (Mental Health Capacity Building Initiative)
- Skills Canada
- Spectrum GSA
- Team Handball
- Track \& Field Team
- Volleyball Team
- Yearbook
- Young Author's Conference
- Young Scientist's Conference


## Recommended Supply List

We suggest students bring the following supplies for school. If teachers have specific requirements, the students will be notified in class.

## General Supplies

- Pencil case
- Pens, red and blue
- Pencils
- Pencil crayons
- Markers
- Highlighter
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Erasers
- Glue sticks
- Protractor
- Ruled paper
- Tabbed dividers
- Binders, several 2" or 3 " ring binders
- Calculator
- Headphones


## Physical Education

- Badminton Racquet
- Runners
- Alternate attire (which may involve shorts, socks and T-shirt)


## CTF Option Courses

- The teacher will notify in class of any specific requirements based on the curricular content of courses.


## School Fees

Notice is sent out to parents when fees are calculated mid-September after high school timetable changes are complete. Payments can be made at school or online by accessing your Parent Portal - RYCOR. School fees are due 30 days after they are assessed. Student school fees must be in 'good standing' to be eligible to participate on athletic teams, field trips, graduation activities and other school related activities and events.

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