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**Second Language and  
Complementary Courses (Options)  
Selection Form**

**Grade 8  
2018 – 2019**

## Grade 8 Complementary Course Descriptions and Optional Fees

### Art (Full Year) and Art (Trimester)

Full Year Fee: \$15 Trimester fee: \$0

The art program is designed to provide students with an opportunity to explore a variety of media. Students will develop an understanding of the elements and principles of design while participating in projects which include drawing, painting, and sculpture. Historical knowledge of artistic development as well as cultural links will be tied into the program. New and modern trends will be emphasized while incorporating digital technology. Representational, abstract and conceptual design will be studied both individually and in a co-operative learning environment. Students are required to provide basic supplies such as pencils, pencil crayons, sharpies and rulers. Any additional supplies will be covered in the course fee.

### Band (Full year) - (school supplies the instrument)

Fee: \$45

Grade 8 band is open to all students, but new students who are not proficient at reading notes will find the course difficult. Music performed in grade 8 is progressively challenging – the fun and satisfaction comes from being able to perform together as an ensemble. The students usually continue with the instrument they played in grade 7, depending on the needs of the group. Students will also have the opportunity to join our extra-curricular jazz band. This course is required if a student plans to take Grade 9 Band. Fees cover the rental and maintenance of the instrument.

### Dance (Trimester)

Fee: \$30

In this course, students will explore a wide range of dance styles, including ballet, jazz, modern, and hip hop. The history, theory, and terminology of each of these dance style will also be considered. Students will be introduced to the art of movement in dance they learn new steps and begin to improvise. Throughout the course, students will be learning choreography to be presented in at various school events. Students will also have the opportunity to attend a local dance show and appreciate the tolls and steps used.

### Drama (Full year)

Fee: \$40

This course is for the serious and passionate drama student. Students will continue working with the dramatic process, and will create and perform major projects in movement, script work (monologues and scene work), storytelling, improvisation and collective creation. Students will also study and create set, prop and costume design. Students will have the opportunity to perform for school events such as Open House, assemblies and school productions. Course fees allow students to attend three play performances through the year at high schools and professional theatre venues.

### Outdoor Education (Full year)

Fee: \$135

This course is intended for students interested in wildlife, fishing and outdoor trips. Students will study, in detail, Alberta wildlife, identification techniques and habitat. They will also complete the Alberta Fishing Education Program and will be able to achieve provincial certification. Other areas of study will be outdoor skills and knowledge such as fire building, outdoor equipment, clothing, menu planning, animal safety and basic camping skills. Activities include; archery, indoor rock climbing, ice fishing, and a four day trip to Kootenay Plains (Nordegg) where students will hike, raft, climb and rappel on a certified rock wall. There is an additional fee to cover the camp activities of climbing and rafting. (Approximately \$100.00)

### Construction (Trimester)

Fee: \$30

In this course, the students will continue to develop basic power tool and production skills to safely transform common building materials into useful products. Construction fees cover the costs of higher quality project materials.

### Drama (Trimester)

Fee: \$0

Students will continue their study of acting, speech and movement in this course. Projects will include monologues, short scripts, mime as well as storytelling and scriptwriting. Students will explore their creative side in more depth through the dramatic process. Students will have the opportunity to perform at public events such as Open House, assemblies and school productions as well as viewing play productions out of school.

### Fashion (Trimester)

Fee: \$20

Students develop further understanding of a variety of clothing and textile themes including image and identity, the design process, and the construction and care of a personal garment or household item. Students apply basic hand sewing techniques, safe use and care for sewing machines and pressing equipment, as well build research skills investigating a fashion history period or cultural clothing items of their choice. Fees collected cover all fabric and sewing notions required for project completion. No previous sewing experience necessary.

### Fitness (Trimester)

Fee: \$0

This class will focus on the basics of wellness. It will include information on scientific training principles and nutrition. Students will understand and design their own training programs and will demonstrate proper training techniques. The majority of class time will be spent in the fitness centre.

### Foods (Trimester)

Fee: \$35

Would you like to refine your knife skills, use the stove properly, and develop organized kitchen skills? Are you already an accomplished young cook and maybe a future chef? Or do you just like to try new foods and eat what you make? These are some of the reasons students choose Foods Studies as one of their options. Grade 8 students will focus on home safety and basic first aid, appropriate use of tools, care in handling food, and following recipes all while working cooperatively in a group to produce some delicious products such as Milkshakes, Pizza Muffins, Chicken Wraps, Pasta Alfredo, Stir Fry, Cookies, Biscuits, Muffins and more. Students will also be presented with a challenge project where they get to show their food preferences, creativity, and cooking talents.

### Guitar (Trimester)

Fee: \$30

Previous experience is not a pre-requisite. Students will have fun learning basic notes and chords, starting with simple melodies, and progressing to more complex works. . Although guitars will be available to rent, students who own guitars are encouraged to bring their own.

### Leadership (Trimester)

Fee: \$20

This course is designed to help maximize and challenge students in many areas related to leadership and citizenship. Students will need positive social skills to interact with each other and with students of all grades. They will be required to work cooperatively with fellow students and teachers. Students must be able to represent themselves, the class and the school positively. This course is NOT a pre-requisite for the Grade 9 Leadership course.

### Science Enrichment (Trimester)

Fee: \$30

Do you want the chance to practice your lab skills? What about creating your own labs to test a theory you have learned about in class? Well Science Discovery is the option for you! In this class, students will learn about lab safety, proper lab performance, and the steps required to create their own lab. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in Open House, help teachers set up and take down demos and participate in building various projects to test their knowledge of forces. So, grab those safety goggles and lab coats! Course fees cover additional lab experiences.

### Visual Communications (Trimester)

Fee: \$0

In Visual Communication, students will develop skills in the areas of business, communication, human services, resources, and technology through engaging challenges that use a wide variety of software (ie. Cinema 4D, Mudbox, Photoshop, Notepad for web design). Students will also be exploring website building utilizing HTML (Hyper Text Markup Language).

**Note: The optional fees associated with some of the complementary courses will provide enriched opportunities for students to participate in 'out of school' activities, special projects or additional lab experiences.**

# Londonderry School

*Second Language and Course Selection*

**GRADE EIGHT 2018-2019**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DOB:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EPS #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Second Language Course Selection**

You **MUST** select a second language **AND** continue in the language you took in grade seven. If you were taking 2 languages you may indicate both languages.

- French
- Mandarin Bilingual
- Mandarin Beginner
- English as a Second Language (if you were with Mrs. Tse in grade7)

**2. Complementary Course (option) Selection**

You **MUST** select at least one full year option (unless you are taking 2 languages) and number the trimester options.

<p><b>Select Full Year Option(s)</b> (If you would like 2 full year options and no trimester options, please number which you want the most as #1)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> ART <input type="checkbox"/> BAND <input type="checkbox"/> DRAMA <input type="checkbox"/> OUTDOOR EDUCATION
<p><b>Select Trimester Options</b> (These must ALL be ranked from #1 to #10 even if you choose 2 full year options)</p>	_____ ART _____ CONSTRUCTION _____ Dance _____ DRAMA _____ FASHION _____ FITNESS _____ FOODS _____ GUITAR _____ LEADERSHIP _____ SCIENCE ENRICHMENT _____ VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS
<p><b>Support Options-</b> Intended for students who require extra support with course material. (Please <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> any that apply)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> EXTRA MATH <input type="checkbox"/> EXTRA LANGUAGE ARTS <input type="checkbox"/> EXTRA SCIENCE <input type="checkbox"/> EXTRA SOCIAL

**Return selection forms to Londonderry School by March 16<sup>th</sup>.**