

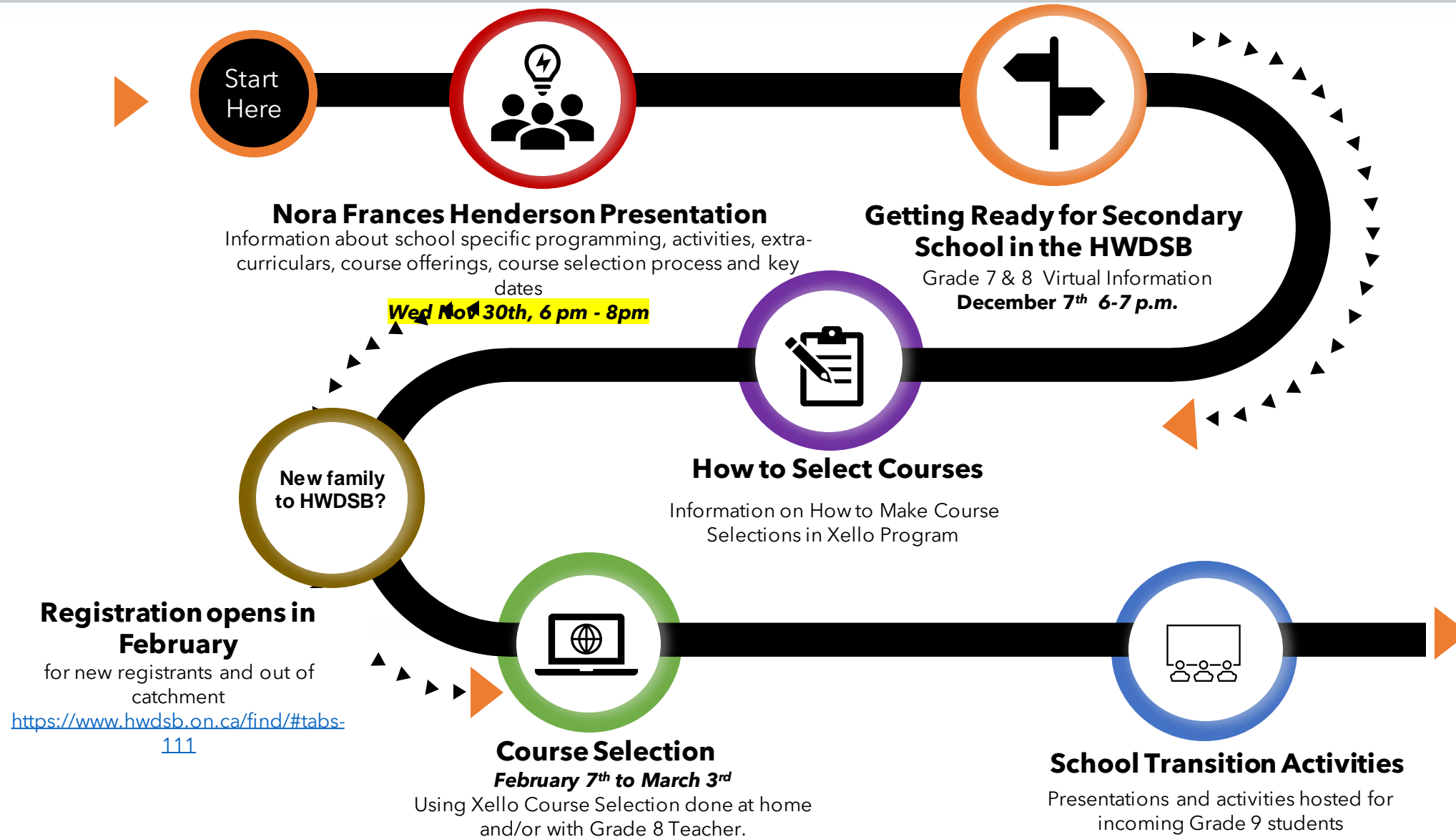


Land Acknowledgement

The Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board acknowledges our presence on ancestral Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee Confederacy land as determined by the Dish with One Spoon treaty.

The intent of this agreement is for all nations sharing this territory to do so responsibly, respectfully and sustainably in perpetuity.

We respect the longstanding relationships with the local Indigenous communities, the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River.



De-streaming Grade 9 in HWDSB

In grade 9, all students will take a common Grade 9 Program (English, French, Geography, Math and Science) and will choose their 3 elective courses.

De-streaming in the Grade 9 Program ensures that every student will have access to all pathways in high school.

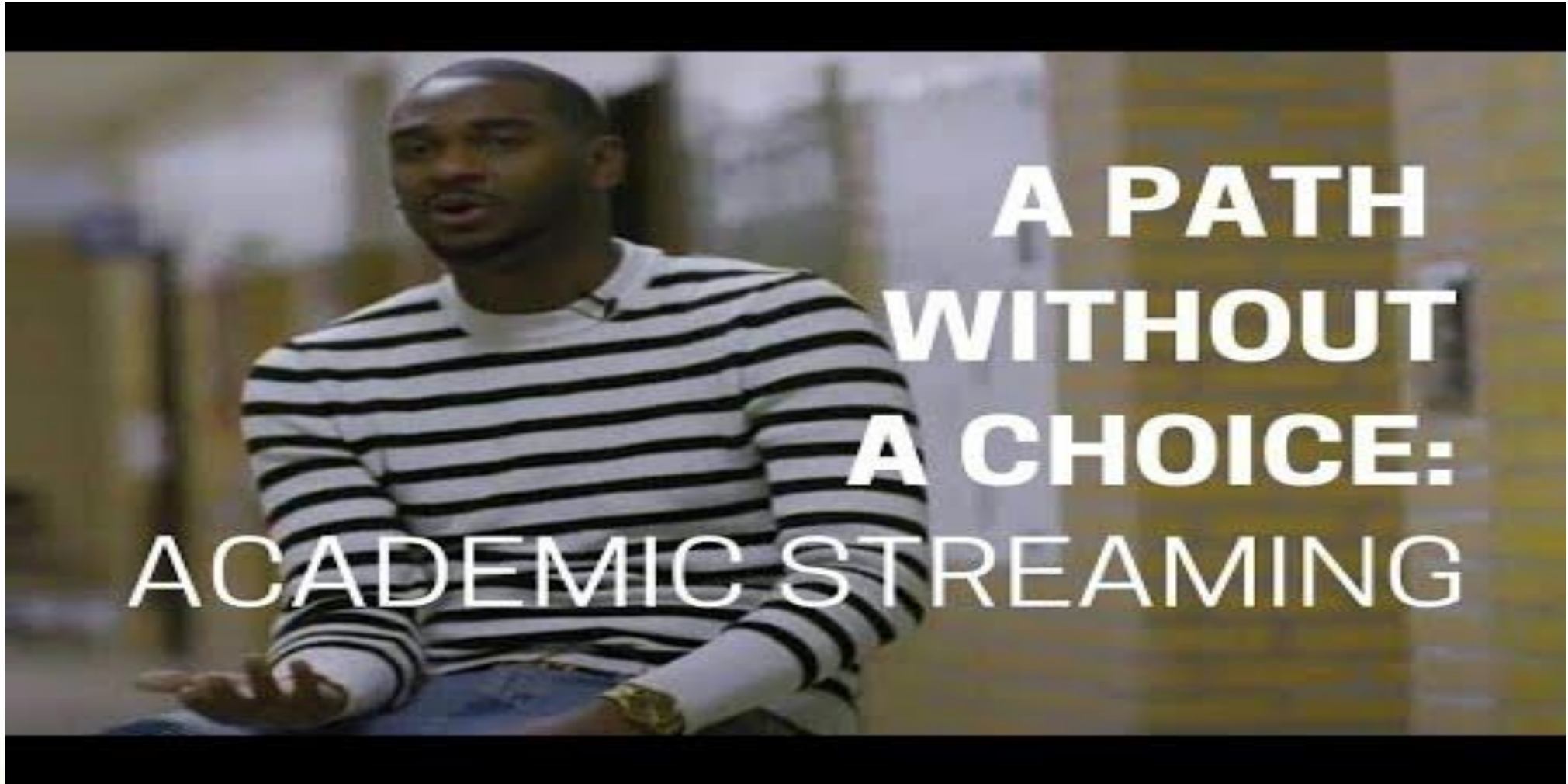
These pathways are Apprenticeship, College, Community Living, University, Workplace.



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In Grade 9 students will select 8 courses. The following 6 courses are COMPULSORY:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Geography
- French



In Grade 9...Students choose ANY 3 of the following electives *Satisfies mandatory art credit.

- Visual Art*
- Drama*
- Dance*
- Music*
- Music Repertoire*
- Fitness
- Court Sports (basketball focus)
- Phys Ed
- Exploring Technology
 - ✓ Manufacturing
 - ✓ Construction
 - ✓ Auto
 - ✓ Communications Technology
- Business (Information Technologies)
- Exploring Family Studies
- Spanish



Grade 9 STEM Program

STEM – Science Technology Engineering and Math

Begins in Grade 9

- Application required to be submitted with option sheet.
- Students take STEM Focused Math, STEM Focused Science, STEM Geography and STEM Technology in grade 9 .
- Enriched pathway with focus on Math and Science real world problem solving.
- Students earns STEM certificate and engage in pathway planning for post-secondary programs in STEM fields.
- See Henderson website for more details.



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Special Programs at NFH

Consider the following that may lead to a Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) that begin in grade 11:

- Information and Communications Technology
- Justice, Community Safety and Emergency Services
- Construction Technology
- Manufacturing Technology
- Hospitality and Tourism (with a focus on Hairstyling and Aesthetics)
- Cosmetology
- Transportation Technology

<http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/learning/scc>

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ATHLETICS

- Senior Football
- Junior Football
- Junior Volleyball
- Senior Volleyball
- Field Hockey
- Senior Basketball
- Junior Basketball
- Ice Hockey
- Grade 9 Soccer
- Golf
- Varsity Soccer
- Cross Country
- Track and Field
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Badminton
- Grade 9 Touch Football
- Slo-Pitch
- Water Polo



CLUBS and ACTIVITIES

- Student Council
- Choir
- Jazz Band
- Positive Space
- French Club
- Equity Club
- Spirit Squad
- Yarn Arts Club
- Health Action Team
- Music Council
- Poetry Club
- Black Student Union
- Mental Health Club
- Muslim Students Association
- Empower Her (Girls Club)
- Chess Club
- ESL Club
- Trivia Club
- Drawing Club
- French Club
- Drama Club
- Eco Club
- Yearbook



Typical Grade 9 Timetable

Timeframe	Semester 1 Sept – Jan	Semester 2 Feb - June
Timeframe 1 8:45 – 10:00	English	Drama
Timeframe 2 10:15 – 11:30	Science	Mathematics
11:30 – 12:20	Lunch	Lunch
Timeframe 3 12:20 – 1:35	Exploring Technologies	French
Timeframe 4 1:45 – 3:00	Geography	Physical Education

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HWDSB also offers several specialty programs for students entering grade 9. You can learn more about these programs by attending the following sessions:

Audition-Based Arts Program

Glendale Secondary School

Monday November 21, 2022,
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
at Education Centre

Self-Paced/Self-Directed Programming

Westmount Secondary School

Thursday November 24, 2022,
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
at Westmount

French Immersion

**Westdale Secondary School and
Sherwood Secondary School**

Tuesday November 29, 2022,
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
at Education Centre

All information sessions will be recorded and can be found on the school's website.

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Getting Ready for High School Virtual Presentation

*Families of grade 7 & 8 students are invited to
join us on MS Teams on
Wednesday December 7, 2022,
from 6:00-7:00 p.m.*

This presentation will focus on

- the structure of high school
 - OSSD requirements
- overview of HWDSB programs

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GRADE 7 & 8 INFORMATION NIGHTS



The meeting link will be shared soon. A recording of the event will be added to the Nora Frances Henderson website under the Student Services tab after the event.

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