

# Welcome to St. Mary

November 2020

# St. Mary Fun Facts

- ~We are the “Home of the Monarchs”
- ~Athletics
- ~Academics – with specialty programs in AP Math/English AND French Immersion
- ~We are a school of over 1200 students and approx 90 staff
- ~Our Retreat Leadership and Social Justice programs are exceptional!

# Our Goals Today:

- ❖ Understand the Guidance Teacher Role
- ❖ Graduation Requirements
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## Guidance

📧 Receive Email Updates...



We are pleased to welcome you to the Guidance and Career Education webpage. We sincerely hope that this page acts as an informative guide for both students and their families as they navigate their way through the high school experience and beyond.

Guidance is responsible for providing a caring, compassionate environment that is inviting to all who enter. As a Guidance Counsellor/Educator, our role has been organized into three distinct areas: student development, interpersonal development, and career development as it relates to pathway planning. Our Counsellors are equipped to provide on-going academic, social/emotional, and pathway planning supports to the students of St. Mary.

# Your Guidance Teacher:

~is assigned to you by alpha surname

~helps you with:

- short-term social/emotional development
- academic planning and supports
- pathway planning supports

# Graduation Requirements

1. Earn 30 credits
2. Earn 40 hours of Community Service
3. Pass Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test  
(taken in Grade 10)

# A Typical Day at St. Mary

- ~9am-3pm day
- ~Full uniform is Mandatory
- ~Semestered system
- ~75 minute classes, four classes each day with 5 minutes travel time
- ~Choosing 8 courses in Gr 9, five of which must be chosen at a specific level (based on achievement), plus ONE elective

## *What does our day look like now?*

- full uniform
- cohorts A & B, attend 2-3 mornings per week
- Completing two classes every 46 days
- both in-person and online learning



# Wearing the Uniform!



Day	Terms		P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	
A	19-20	S1	T1	<b>Dramatic Arts</b> ADA1O1.1 Small, Trevor Room: 09N-168 P1(A) S1	<b>Religious Education</b> HRE1O1.2 Dion, Michael Room: 205 P2(A) S1	<b>Principles Of Mathematics</b> MPM1D1.1 MacIsaac, Christopher Room: 125-1st P3(A) S1	<b>ENG1D1 - English</b> ENG1D1.8 Rose, Diane Room: 131 P4(A) S1		
			T2						
		S2	T3	<b>Science</b> SNC1D1.5 McDavid, Scott Room: 265 P1(A) S2	<b>Healthy Active Living Education</b> PPL1O4.2 Antonucci, Enzo Room: GYMB P2(A) S2	<b>CGC1D1 Geography Of Canada</b> CGC1D1.2 Reeves, Bethany Room: 226 P3(A) S2	<b>Core French</b> FSF1D1.6 Morrison, Katelyn Room: 162 P4(A) S2		
			T4						

# Tips for Success

- ❑ Work on improving your learning skills
- ❑ Manage your time to include study, rest and fun
- ❑ Use an organizational tool to schedule time to study and time to finish your assignments
- ❑ Ask your teacher for help as needed
- ❑ Request a tutor through Guidance, if needed

# Grade 8 Visit Day

- ❑ Please preview the St. Mary promo video in early December which will showcase electives, departments and supports around the school
- ❑ Ask questions at our next virtual visit in mid-Dec!
- ❑ Visit the St. Mary website at [stmary.dcdsb.ca](http://stmary.dcdsb.ca) often for more information on programs and other highlights

# Grade 8 Parent Night

- ❑ Mid January
- ❑ Virtual presentation for parents and students
- ❑ Another opportunity to learn more about programs at St. Mary, student life, and extra curricular activities

