

Dear Grade 8 Families,

Today, students received a package containing several important documents and information to help them get organized and prepared for the school year. Please take some time to review the materials with your child. Below is an overview of what was included:

1. Locker Information

Students received a handout with their locker number and lock combination. Please make sure your child:

- Takes a picture of their locker number and combination for easy reference.
- Memorizes their locker number and combination.
- Practices opening and closing their lock at home. A little practice can make a big difference in helping students feel confident using their lockers at school.

There is also a separate handout included that explains how to use the school lockers.

2. Student Schedule

Your child received their schedule for the school year. All Grade 8 students will take eight classes.

Our schedule operates on a two-day block rotation:

- Day 1: Blocks 1–4
- Day 2: Blocks 5–8

Day 1 and Day 2 alternate each school day.

Most Grade 8 students will have two elective courses. These electives are divided into three trimesters. On your child's schedule, you will see the trimester courses identified as TRI 1, TRI 2, and TRI 3.

3. Two-Week Block Rotation

A handout showing our two-week rotation is included in the package. On the back of this handout, there is also a blank template that you can complete with your child. This can be a helpful tool for students as they learn to keep track of their schedule.

Tomorrow, we will begin with Wednesday Week 2, Day 2:

- Block 5
- Block 6
- Lunch
- Block 7
- Block 8

Please note that the block rotation continues to alternate throughout the school year.

4. Green Student Verification Form

The green Student Verification Form contains your child's demographic and contact information. Please review the form carefully and make any necessary corrections.

Once reviewed, please sign the form and have your child return it to the office as soon as possible.

5. Cheakamus Retreat Permission Form

The Cheakamus Retreat Permission Form is also included in the package. This form must be signed and returned to the office by Friday.

Please also submit the retreat payment through School Cash Online.

6. Student Agenda

Each student has been given a school agenda. The agenda contains important information about **school procedures, processes, and policies**. Please encourage your child to keep their agenda with them and use it throughout the year to help stay organized.

Thank you for taking the time to review these materials with your child. The beginning of Grade 8 comes with many new routines and expectations, and your support in helping students get organized will make a big difference.

We are looking forward to a fantastic year with our Grade 8 students!

Regards,

Carson Graham Secondary