

# **GEORGE S. HENRY ACADEMY**

HELPING STUDENTS ACHIEVE EXCELLENCE SINCE 1965

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### **Studere est Excellere (To Strive is to Excel)**

At George S. Henry Academy, we are committed to creating a safe and healthy learning environment that will nurture, motivate and enable our students to develop into responsible, contributing participants in their education and promote unity in our diverse, global society. Our programs will guide students through cooperative interactive activities that emphasize student acquisition of knowledge, and democratic values in a multicultural setting.



George S. Henry Academy is a community full of energy, enthusiasm and fun that promotes a growth mindset. The school provides extensive co-curricular offerings which focus on the development and well-being of the individual. Our efforts focus on the importance of knowing each student as an individual, and monitoring them as they develop their academic, social and leadership capabilities.

### Health and Wellness Specialist High Skills Major

Our Health and Wellness Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) is designed to prepare students for a career in the ever expanding Health and Wellness sector. We provide students with certifications and experiences that will give them advanced standing as they prepare to enter college, university, apprenticeship, or the workplace. Students will also be provided with a work experience opportunity through our Cooperative Education Program. Students can choose a placement in Health Studies, Fitness, or Childcare.



First SHSM Graduates: 2016

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When students graduate from High School, statistics show that the number one

> post-secondary program students apply to, and accept, is Business Administration.

Whether you would like to study Business at College or University, George S. Henry Academy can help you get there with our Elite Business Program.

Students have access to many diverse business courses including:

- Introduction to Business
- Marketing

**Elite Business Program** 

- Accounting
- **Business Management**
- International Business
- **Financial Securities**
- **Economics**

Our Elite Business program also works with our **Cooperative Education** Department to provide students with meaningful work experiences in the field of Business Administration.

Placements can include retail stores, accounting firms, banks, publishing companies and more.

"I had a great educational experience at George S. Henry Academy. The staff and teachers are caring, knowledgeable individuals who helped me numerous times. There are many academic and extracurricular opportunities available to join, and they definitely assisted me in getting into the Engineering program at the University of Waterloo." Siavash G. Henry Grad 2016



## **English, Math and Science**

Whether you want to pursue a College Diploma, an Apprenticeship, a University degree, or enter directly into the workplace when you graduate from High School, you will need a solid foundation in English, Mathematics and Science.

George S. Henry Academy offers every English, Math, or Science course that a postsecondary institution may require.

These inquiry-based courses have been designed to help students meet the rigorous standards needed in the world of work or higher education.

#### **Course Levels**

- I) Academic/University
- 2) Applied/College
- 3) Locally Developed/Workplace

Our Academy offers three different levels of courses to serve the academic needs of each individual student.

### Technology

New technologies are being developed at a rapid pace, and digital literacy is an important skill that students need to master. In order to prepare our students for a digital world, we offer the following technology based courses:

- Computer Science
- Digital Photography
- Television Production

Computer Technology

Multimedia

## Artistic Diversity

The Arts can be an excellent way to enrich your education while studying at George S. Henry Academy. We offer a variety of different Arts courses to our students that are suitable for all skill levels.

Our Arts students often get to show off their skills to the school and community during Musical Performances, School Plays, Dance Showcases, and Art Shows.



We offer the following Arts Courses:

- Dance
- Drama
- Directors Craft
- Music (String Instruments and Concert Band Instruments)
- Guitar
- Recording Studio
- Visual Arts
- Aboriginal Art

### **Athletics and Intramurals**

If you love sports and all things athletic, George S. Henry Academy is the place for you. Whether you are a superstar athlete, or you would like to try a sport for the first time, we have a program that will suit your needs. "Something for everybody" is the G.S.H.A. Athletics Motto.

If you have a competitive nature, you can try out for one of our

many school teams. Our Academy has the following teams:

- Badminton
- Basketball
- Cricket
- RugbySoccer
- Swim Team
- Tennis
- Track and Field
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Volleyball
- Wrestling

George S. Henry Academy also has a rich intramural program. The intramural program is a low commitment activity schedule that takes place before school, during lunch, and afterschool. Students can participate in a variety of different activities suitable for all ability levels. Students can also access our pool and Fitness Centre as part of this program. Our Girls Fit Spirit club is also available.





### **Clubs and Councils**

Participating as a member of a club or council is a great way to make the most out of your high school experience. Students that take advantage of our clubs and councils will have opportunities to learn how to work as a team, use skills they learned in class, build friendships, and develop leadership skills.

### <u>Council List</u>

- Art Council
- Environmental Council
- Henry Athletic Council
- Multicultural Council
- Music Council
- Student Council
- Theatre Council

### <u>Club List</u>

- Anti-Bullying Club
- Chess Club
- Fitness Club
- Green Team
- Prom Committee
- Tech Crew
- Video-Game Club
- Yearbook Club
- and more!



### **Diverse Course Options**

Here is a list of some of the other courses we offer to our students:

#### **Cooperative Education**

• Half Day and Full Day

#### <u>English</u>

- The Writer's Craft
- ESL A, B, C, D and E

#### Family Studies

- Living and Working with Children
- Families in Canada
- Introduction to Anthropology, Psychology, and Sociology

#### <u>Guidance</u>

- Career Studies
- Leadership

#### <u>Moderns</u>

• French

### Physical and Health Education

- Physical and Health Education
- Fitness
- Aquatics
- Introductory Kinesiology

#### Social Global Studies

- Canadian Geography
- Canadian History
- Canadian Law
- Civics
- Economics
- Travel and Tourism
- World Issues

### **Environmental Awareness**

Taking care of the Environment is a major part of school life for students that attend George S. Henry Academy.

For more than a decade we have been recognized as a Gold level Eco-school. Three times we have achieved the Platinum Eco-school level.

Our student led Green Team oversees our schools recycling and composting programs, they help maintain our I 256 square foot community garden, they help raise money for eco-causes, they develop and market organic lip balm, and they stage plays at Elementary schools to promote environmental awareness.

In the 2015-2016 school year, George S. Henry Academy was one of 10 schools that won \$25 000 in technology upgrades from Staples Canada!



The Green Team, along with Ms. Filicetti and Ms. Gal, are presented with the \$25 000 prize from Staples.

### Want more information?

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