



Guidance Timeline for

Grade 8 to 9 Transition



September to June

- students may ask Ms. Bradbury any questions they may have about the transition to high school

October

- conference with each grade 8 student to verify address and determine home school(s)
- high school information night for grade 8 students and their parent(s)/guardian(s)—Thursday, October 16, 2014
- grade 8 students receive Choices pamphlet
- grade 8 students create myBlueprint account; work on IPP (Individual Pathways Plan) and begin “Guidance Passport”

October to January

- students and their parents/guardians attend high school information evenings—posted on the Winona website, in the Choices for 9 pamphlet, and at tdsb.on.ca; students should check out their home school (s) and any school(s) which they are interested in applying to/attending
- grade 8s visit local high schools with their classes (subject to invitation from high schools)
- various deadlines for applications to specialized programs

October/November

- conference with grade 8 students who are applying to specialized programs

December

- IPRC Review Meetings commence for identified Special Education students

January

- 3rd week: Guidance receives information regarding high schools that are limited or closed for Optional Attendance (posted on Winona website)
- Optional Attendance forms must be signed by Guidance (signed form is the student/parent/guardian’s responsibility for delivering it to the high school on or before the deadline of Friday, January 30, 2015)
- core subject teachers make recommendations for student course selection
- students receive Choices booklet
- students receive Course Selection Sheet (CSS) for the home school of their choice; form must be handed in to homeroom teacher by Thursday, February 5, 2015

February

- Guidance CSS check before submission
- students receive information regarding acceptance to specialized programs (February 13, 2015); confirm/decline acceptance
- if accepted, student fills out CSS (if they haven’t already done so) for their selected school and hands in to Guidance
- one CSS is submitted for each grade 8 student (February 27, 2015—submitted to high schools directly by Guidance)

March

- students for whom an IPRC Review has been completed begin to receive their offer of admission; papers must be signed and handed in to main office; students complete CSS