



STUDENT TIP SLIPS

How to Make a Successful Transition into Secondary School

- Take part in any summer programs that secondary schools offer for example, "Moving On Up" or grade 9 information days
- Grade 9 courses are applied, academic, locally-developed or open. After grade 10, courses are destination-bound courses (apprenticeship, college, university or workplace)
- Make certain you are making an informed choice about the correct type of program for your learning style and understand the pathway (apprenticeship, college, university or work) for each course type. Follow advice of grade 8 teachers
- Attend secondary school information evenings with your parents
- Get involved in sports and clubs, but don't over schedule yourself
- Take advantage of peer tutoring programs
- Do a trial run (bus route or walking) to secondary school
- Go to class and you will pass!
- "Hang out" with the right people
- Make good decisions
- Develop strong work habits at school and at home
- Keep electronics at home
- Do your homework
- Ask for help if you don't understand something - but don't leave it until the last minute
- Learn to self advocate – inform teachers of problems or issues that may interfere with your learning
- Always use your agenda



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