## Course Load

## School Policy on Course Load and Dropping Courses

Students are expected and encouraged to carry a full course load of 8 credits until they have earned 24 credits. Students in Grades 9 and 10 are note permitted to carry a reduced course load without administration approval. In the event a course is requested to be dropped, a student must get an official form from the guidance office, and if the student is under the age of 18 must have the form signed in the appropriate place by the parent/guardian and the subject teacher. Students 18 or older may sign the consent form on their own. Any texts or materials belonging to the school must be returned to the subject teacher before the form is signed.

## Full Disclosure Day/Marks Maintain Date

Students taking courses at the grades 11 and 12 level have up to five school days following the midterm report card (late fall and midspring) to decide to drop a course without having the attempt appear on their Ontario Student Transcript (OST). The course and mark will appear on the report card if the course is not dropped before the report card but will not be carried over to the OST.

Courses dropped after the full disclosure/marks maintain date will be entered on the OST with a "W" in the credit column, indicating "withdrawn without credit earned". The mark that the student was earning at the time of drop – passing or failing – will also appear on the OST.