



Firebird Free Press

April 7th-11th, 2025

Week at a Glance

Monday April 7th:

- *Performance and Dance Team Practice @ 10:50am: Gym: CuvIELlo and Mancuso
- *Choir Practice @ 12:50pm: Music Portable: Pietrangelo and Olesen
- *Pokemon Club @ 10:50am - 11:10am: Olesen's Classroom

Tuesday April 8th:

- *Boys Grade 8 Pickleball @ 8:10am: GYM: Tham
- *Girls Pickleball @ 12:50pm: GYM: Tham

Wednesday April 9th:

- *Lego Club @ 10:50am- 11:10am: Library: Olesen
- *Wasteless Wednesday: ECO Team
- *Junior Girls Handball Practice @ 10:50am - 11:30am: GYM: Avolio
- *Boys and Girls Grade 7 Pickleball @ 8:10am: GYM: Tham
- *Girls Pickleball @ 12:50pm: GYM: Tham

Thursday April 10th:

- *Big Red Pick-Up @ SJHN from 4-6pm
- *Pasta Fresca Day
- *Pickle Ball Gr. 6-8: Various Times 10am-1pm: Gym: Spagnol
- *Boys Grade 8 Pickleball @ 12:50pm: GYM: Tham

Friday April 11th:

- *White Meadows Farms: Kindergarten: 9:30am-1:30pm
- *Boys Handball Practice @ 10:50am: Gym: Fortino-Carter
- *Crochet Club Day @ 10:50am-11:30am: Resource Room: Olesen
- *Girls Pickleball @12:50pm: GYM: Tham

St. Paul High School Students Of The Month

Anna Mykhailiuk

Anna is truly deserving of the Student of the Month recognition! She consistently demonstrates exemplary responsibility by staying on task and actively participating in class. Her willingness to help around the classroom, from cleaning to ensuring the Chromebooks are charged and ready, showcases her dedication and care. Beyond her academic achievements, Anna is an incredible friend and role model to others. She goes out of her way to include everyone in activities and at recess, showing kindness, compassion, and empathy to those around her. Her positive attitude is contagious, and she approaches every task, no matter how challenging, with determination and perseverance. Anna's incredible talents also shine outside the classroom—she performed as Mary in our Christmas musical, displaying her impressive musical abilities. Anna is a wonderful student and person who puts her best effort into everything she does, and we are so proud of her!

Jackson Fiala

Mrs. Mostowy: Grade 2

Jackson is an exceptional student with a strong work ethic and a positive attitude. His kindness, helpfulness, and dedication to his studies and classmates truly stand out. It's clear that he not only values academic excellence but also contributes to creating a supportive and productive classroom environment. Additionally, his passion for sports reflects his commitment and pride in his achievements. Jackson is a wonderful role model for others! Thank you, Jackson, for making our classroom a better place!

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS NIAGARA CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (NCPIC) MEMBERSHIP 2025-2026

The Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) supports the Mission of Catholic education and the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board by providing a communication link to parents/guardians, Catholic School Councils, the Diocese, the Director of Education, and the Board.

The NCPIC promotes active parent/guardian engagement within all schools for the improvement of student achievement and well-being of all students in the Niagara Catholic District School Board.

The NCPIC membership is made up of parents/guardians, community and student representatives, the Bishop of the Diocese of St. Catharines or his appointed representative, principals, teachers, support staff, the Director of Education or designate, the appointed Superintendent of Education and Trustees. The Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee meets on the first Thursday of the month, on a bi-monthly basis (or as noted) at the Catholic Education Centre from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Meetings are open to the public, livestreamed and recorded.

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

The Niagara Catholic District School Board is seeking to appoint up to three (3) community representatives for the 2025-2026 school year to the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee. Interested parties are to complete and submit the Community Representative Form, along with a letter of recommendation supporting the nomination from the community agency, association, or organization addressed to ***Danny Di Lorenzo, Chair of the Board no later than 4:00 p.m., on Friday, May 16, 2025.***

PARENT/GUARDIAN REPRESENTATIVES

To be eligible for election/appointment as a parent/guardian representative to the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee, a person:

- must be a parent/guardian of a student enrolled in a school of the Niagara Catholic District School Board;
- must reside within the jurisdiction of the Board;
- must support the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board; and
- must fully participate in the annual Commissioning Ceremony of NCPIC members.

Available parent/guardian positions for the 2025-2026 Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Membership are as follows:

Fort Erie/Port Colborne/Wainfleet: 2 positions: Parent/Guardian Representatives

Grimsby/Lincoln/West Lincoln: 1 position: Parent/Guardian Representative

Thorold/Merriton: 2 positions ; Parent/Guardian Representatives

Niagara Falls: 2 positions: Parent/Guardian Representatives

St. Catharines/Niagara-on-the-Lake: 2 positions: Parent/Guardian Representatives

Welland/Pelham: 1 position: Parent/Guardian Representative

Interested parents/guardians are to complete and submit the parent/guardian nomination form ***no later than 4:00 p.m., on Friday, May 16, 2025***. Nomination forms are available at the school and on the Board website. Please click on the link: [Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee](#).

Please send nomination forms to:

Catholic Education Centre

427 Rice Road

Welland, ON L3C 7C1

Attention: Yvonne Anderson or by email to: yvonne.anderson@ncdsb.com



NCPIC Nomination Form Community Representative 2025-2026.pdf

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178.7 KB



NCPIC Nomination Form for Parents and Guardians 2025-2026.pdf

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232.3 KB



SUMMER SCHOOL 2025 SECONDARY CREDIT COURSES

JULY 2-30



FOR CURRENT GRADE 8 STUDENTS ONLY

- **CGC1W • Issues in Canadian Geography, Grade 9**
- **CHV20/GLC20- Civics/ Careers Open, Grade 10**

**Civics/ Careers Open are to be
taken together to equal one full credit.**

**REGISTRATION BEGINS
MONDAY, APRIL 14**

NOTES:

- All eLearning online credit courses are independent study using NCVLE
- Teachers will be available to assist students with their studies through one daily office hour
- eLearning Courses are independent study courses
- Students are required to have a desktop or laptop with high speed internet access
- Students are expected to dedicate approximately five hours per day of studying on their eLearning credit course

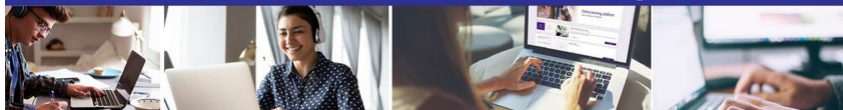
Answers to Frequently Asked Questions available on the website

Ontario Secondary School Diploma Requirements:

- Summer School credit courses meet all the same Ministry of Education requirements.
- Registration for courses is done through MyBlueprint (Continuing Education Tab) that is found in the student's NCVLE. (Similar to Grade 9 Course Selection).
- Print off the registration form and have a parent/guardian sign it. This signed form must be returned to your Grade 8 teacher.
- It is suggested that Grade 8 students take CGC1W as it is a Grade 9 course.



REGISTRATION CLOSES MONDAY, MAY 5



See registration details online at www.summerschoolniagara.ca



SUMMER SCHOOL 2025 PHYSICAL EDUCATION SECONDARY CREDIT COURSES ALL CLASSES ARE IN PERSON

JULY 2-25
8AM-2:45PM



PAF20

Health & Physical Education

LOCATIONS: Lakeshore Catholic
Saint Francis

An introductory course that emphasizes a variety of physical activities that promote lifelong healthy active living. Learn movement principles to refine skills, enhance personal competence, fitness and health, examine issues related to healthy eating, substance use, and abuse; and apply informed decision-making, conflict resolution and social skills in making personal choices.

PRE-REQUISITE: none

ACTIVITY FEE: \$90

PAI20

Health & Physical Education

LOCATIONS: Blessed Trinity, Notre Dame College School, Our Lady of Mount Carmel

An introductory course that emphasizes regular participation in a variety of enjoyable physical activities that promote lifelong healthy active living in a competitive environment. Through the achievement of the Ministry and the Ontario Catholic School Graduate expectations, the student will apply movement principles to refine skills; participate in a variety of activities that enhance personal competence, fitness, and health; examine issues related to healthy sexuality, healthy eating, substance use and abuse; and apply informed decision-making, conflict resolution, and social skills in making personal choices.

PRE-REQUISITE: none

ACTIVITY FEE: \$90

TAS20

Exploring Technology

LOCATIONS: Blessed Trinity, Holy Cross, Lakeshore Catholic, Notre Dame (Launch Centre), Our Lady of Mount Carmel

This hands-on course enables students to apply the engineering design process and other technological knowledge and skills introduced in earlier grades. Students will design and safely create prototypes, products, and/or services, working with tools and resources from various industries. As students develop their projects to address real-life problems, they will apply technological concepts such as quality control, and health and safety standards. Students explore opportunities for job skills programs and education and training pathways, including skilled trades that can lead to a variety of careers.

PRE-REQUISITE: none

MATERIAL FEE: \$50

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- Print off the registration form and have a parent/guardian sign it. This signed form must be returned to your Grade 8 teacher.
- Fee payments are made through School Cash Online.



REGISTRATION CLOSES MONDAY, JUNE 2



See registration details online at www.summerschoolniagara.ca



SUMMER SCHOOL 2025 PHYSICAL EDUCATION & TECHNOLOGY SECONDARY CREDIT COURSES

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

JULY 2-25
8AM-2:45PM
IN-PERSON
CLASSES

Physical Education registration fee of \$90.00
to cover transportation and excursion fees.

Technology registration fee of \$50.00
to cover materials.

REGISTRATION DUE DATE MONDAY, JUNE 2
NO EXCEPTIONS will be made after this date. Fees to be paid on School Cash Online. **Student admission is NOT final until payment has been received.**

LIMITED ENROLLMENT

Course Cancellation

At times, a summer school course may be cancelled due to insufficient enrolment. Any course that is cancelled will be posted on the summer school website by Friday, June 20, 2025. If your selected course is not cancelled, students are to report to their course on Wednesday, July 2, 2025, as scheduled.

Number of Courses:

One summer school course per student.

Final Examinations

For those courses where a final examination is prescribed as a mandatory assessment requirement, students must write the final examination/assessment. There will be no exceptions. Final examination/assessments will take place within the last three days of the course as determined by the classroom teacher and principal.

Summer School Locations

Blessed Trinity Catholic High School,
145 Livingston Avenue, Grimsby

Saint Francis Catholic Secondary School
541 Lake Street, St. Catharines

Lakeshore Catholic High School
145 Janet Street, Port Colborne

Notre Dame College School / Launch Centre for Tech
64 Smith Street, Welland / Seaway Mall, Welland

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Elementary School
6525 Carlton Street, Niagara Falls

Attendance

Regular attendance is essential for student success. As such, students are expected to attend each day of summer school. These are participation courses. Missing classes may impact their average.

Transportation

Students and their families are responsible for their own transportation to their summer school site. Only students in rural areas will have transportation from a pickup location to the summer school site. Parents are expected to drop off and pick up students from the pickup location.

Student Dress Code

Students are expected to dress in clothing appropriate for the activity and a school setting.

Course Availability

The enrolment in these classes will be capped based on space at each location. Courses will be filled based on date of registration and payment of activity fee.

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MONDAY, APRIL 14
IN MYBLUEPRINT (WITHIN NCVLE)**

Summer School Head Office

St. John Continuing Education Centre
145 Niagara Street

St. Catharines

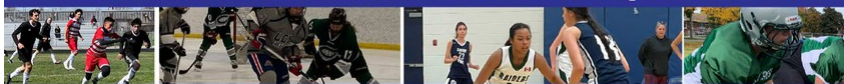
905-682-3360

1-866-727-8401 (toll-free)

email: summerschool@ncdsb.com



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