

# Welland Centennial Secondary School

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Dear Centennial Secondary School students, families/guardians

Welcome back to school at Centennial! We are very excited to welcome students back in-person and have many exciting plans for athletics and extracurricular activities this year.

Today after 4:00pm you will be able to access your school timetable for the school year.

If you have questions about your timetable or require a course change, am email will be sent on Thursday to student's DSBN email addresses with a link for students to request that guidance contact them for a course change. It is the same process we used last year. Student will have an opportunity to explain what they need changed and why. Students will then be contacted on a priority basis.

## Instructions to access your timetable

- How to Access Your Schedule in Aspen
- If you have forgotten your DSBN password Student Password Reset
- If you have forgotten your DSBN login contact your school directly
- For new students to DSBN, parents/guardians would have received an email during the week of August 23rd with their login and temporary password

## Below is some additional information for you Schedules

- The daily school schedule for September and October is Calendar Sept. & Oct
- Our bell times are below:

Grade 9/10 Schedule			Grade 11/12 Schedule		
8:05	Warning Bell		8:05	Warning Bell	
8:10	O Canada and Announcements		8:10	O Canada and Announcements	
8:10-10:50	Period 1/Period 3	10 min break (staggered)	8:10-10:50	Period 1/Period 3	10 min break (staggered)
10:50- 11:30	Grade 9/10 Lunch (based on afternoon class)		10:50-10:55	Travel time	
11:30 – 2:10	Period 2/ Period 4	10 min break (staggered)	10:55-11:50	Period 2/Period 4	
2:10	Dismissal (staggered)		11:50-12:30	Grade 11/12 Lunch (based on afternoon class)	
			12:30 – 2:05 2:05	Period 2/Period 4 Dismissal	

#### Covid

- All staff and students are required to wear masks when in the school
- Everyone is required to sanitize when entering the school
- It is important to know if there is a positive Covid case in one of your classes, Niagara Region Public Health will determine who is a close contact. Based on your vaccination status, you may have to self-isolate. If you are double vaccinated, and asymptomatic you will likely be able to keep attending school.

#### Grade 9s

- Community Involvement Hours
  - The community involvement graduation requirement is for 40 hours
  - If approved by your school's principal, students may count the following towards their community involvement hours:
    - up to 10 hours of paid employment if a student is 14 years or older and completes a reflection exercise demonstrating how their work contributed to their community
    - community involvement during school time, for example, walking a younger child to and from school or helping younger siblings with school work
    - duties normally performed at home, for example, helping an elderly relative with errands or providing after school care for a sibling

#### Grade 10s

- The Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) is requirement for graduation
  - We will share more details with you in September about this year's OSSLT
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#### Grade 11s

- The Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) is requirement for graduation
  - o If you wrote in the spring, you will receive your results from us when school starts
  - o If you did not write, or were not successful, there will be a fall and a spring opportunity
  - We will share more details with you in September
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## Grade 12s

- Community Involvement Hours
  - o For students who are graduating in the 2021-2022 school year, the graduation requirement was reduced to a minimum of 20 hours of community involvement activities. The community involvement graduation requirement of 40 hours will be restored in 2022-23. Students working towards their OSSD should make sure they meet these graduation requirements in time for their graduating year.
  - If approved by your school's principal, students may count the following towards their community involvement hours:
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    - community involvement during school time, for example, walking a younger child to and from school or helping younger siblings with school work
    - duties normally performed at home, for example, helping an elderly relative with errands or providing after school care for a sibling
- The Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) is **not** a graduation requirement if you graduate during the 2021-22 school year

Later this week you will receive an email with more details about the first day of school on September 7.

On behalf of the Centennial staff, we are looking forward to the return of students to school. Please reach out if we can be of assistance.

Tammy Zonneveld Principal

