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we answered



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How many books are in  
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Is there food for sale in the cafeteria?

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You can buy food in the cafeteria. They take cash and debit. Be careful of the chocolate chip cookies! They are a little too delicious.

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What do I do at lunch?

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Involving yourself in school life is a great way to find new friends. Many clubs and teams run at lunch. Or you can eat lunch in the cafeteria or outside in the courtyard.



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- You have a great opportunity to make new friends! Your teacher will probably try to break the ice with your class, and hopefully you can find someone to connect with. Or, join a club or team!

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What do I do if I'm late?

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- You will need to stop by the office on your way into the school and get a late slip to be admitted to class.

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- No, you can't use your cell phones in class. You can use your phone at lunch.



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Yes! You will need your Chromebook charged and ready to go EVERY DAY! Most classes use Chromebooks for at least part, if not all, of the period.

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How long are classes?

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75 minutes

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How do I get the work if I'm away from school?

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Each teacher will handle this differently. Talk to your classroom teacher individually to clarify.



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Teachers will either use Google Classroom or another system called D2L. It depends on the teacher. All are accessible to you 24/7

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You will write the Grade 9 Math EQAO and then the Grade 10 Literacy Test (OSSLT)

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Where are the bathrooms?

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There are bathrooms on each floor.



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Is there a prayer room?

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There is a prayer room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. We also use the HUB sometimes for larger groups.

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Do I keep my DDSB username and password?

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Yes, you will keep both, but you may be asked to change your password more in high school for security reasons.

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Yes, until you are 18, parents and teachers are part of the team to help you be successful.

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classroom teachers are a great  
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Does every class  
have an exam?

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Many classes have an  
exam, but your teacher  
will let you know about  
each specific class.

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Do you have a  
Resource room?

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Our Inclusive Student Services  
Department (room 206) is  
available to help students with  
IEPs. One of the members of the  
team will make contact with you  
in September.



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**What does Week A and Week B mean?**

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page:  
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! You have the option to “opt out”  
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