



# Course Selection for Grade 8

# Students entering in Grade 8

## Must register for:

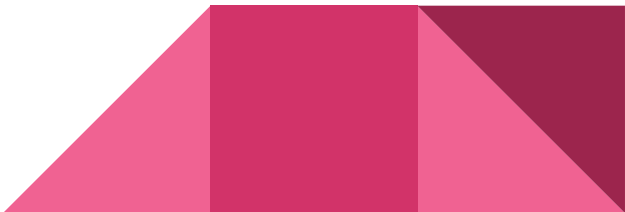
- Humanities
- Mathematics
- Science
- Physical Education

## And choose three or four:


- Complementary courses



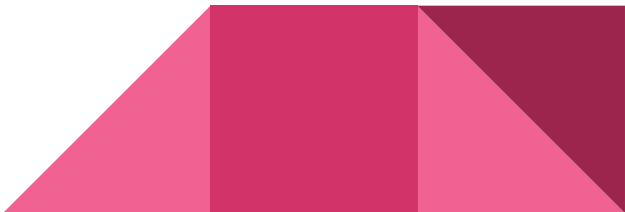
# Dandelions - Integrated classroom

- Mr. Byron teaching Project Earth
  - mobile classroom to enrich curriculum via integrated labs & activities
  - get dirty, make mistakes, reflect & work out own solutions
  - opportunities for cross-curriculum themes & units
  - overnight trips
  - regular option choices
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# Discuss with family if interested...

- Do you like to challenge yourself?
  - Do you learn best through doing?
  - Do you enjoy outdoor activities & work well in quickly changing situations?
  - Do you have learning goals or aspirations you believe would be nurtured by a flexible program?
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# Dandelions process

1. Student interest assessed by completing the **Google Form** in the **Grade 8 Course Handbook**
  2. Student suitability assessed by grade 7 teacher team, admin & Mr. Byron
  3. Learning needs; independent factors
  4. Reflection & consideration from previous teachers, student services & admin
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# Complementary (option) courses

- are semestered, run half- year
- select 4-5 for the year
  - Band runs full-year, counts as 2 courses
- to keep future options open (education & career) consider whether to continue in language studies (FR/SP)



# Course handbook

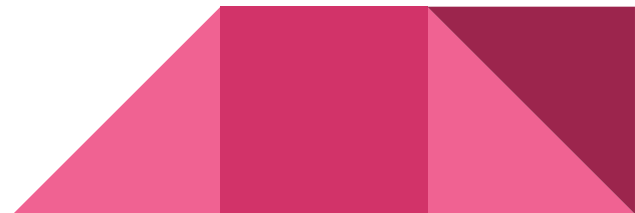
Use the grade 8 course handbook found on the Westmount website

- Student -
- Programming
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# Course selection

- Online **March 10** to **March 21**
- PowerSchool login *(must be in your wcs-g account first)*




# Why should you complete your course selection accurately?

***Courses offered in the upcoming school year are offered based on demand during the course selection process.***

Therefore it is very important for all students to complete their course selection in the portal. Course selection and placement into a course are independent of one another, therefore, it is not first-selected first-priority.

If demand is low, courses that appeared on the course selection list may not be offered in the next school year.



# Schedule release & changes

- schedules released to your wcs-g email in mid-June





# Questions?