



Dear Grade 8 Parents/Guardians,

We are looking forward to welcoming students transitioning from Grade 8 as they become Royal Bay grade 9s! The information and events below are intended to assist students with their Grade 9 course selection and transition to secondary school for the 2023-2024 school year. Please note the dates and discuss the information with your child. Your input and guidance are valuable during this process and transition.

Grade 9 Course Selection Booklet and Form

The Grade 9 Course Selection Booklet and Form will be available on the Royal Bay website in early January. [RBSS Course Selection Guide](#) The Course Selection Booklet provides a description of the courses and programs available to grade 9s. We recommend that students and parents read the booklet prior to the January/February meetings. **The Course Selection Guide provides an overview of the selections that students will make using paper course selection forms at their middle school in February.**

More information about the courses and their departments is available on the RBSS Website [RBSS Website](#) under Programs, please explore these pages to learn more about what is offered. We also encourage you to check out the RBSS Raven's Nest (published weekly) to read about all the wonderful events and activities we have happening at Royal Bay.

January/February Grade 9 Student/Parent and Student Orientation Meetings

- Grade 8 Student and Family Information Night- February 2nd, 7pm – 8pm at RBSS Teechamista Theatre

Middle School Visits and Assemblies at École Royal Bay Secondary School

Transitioning students will visit the school for an assembly and guided tours so that they can familiarize themselves with the school.

- Dunsmuir – January 10th 10:30 – 11:30
- John Stubbs – January 11th 9:15 – 10:15

École Royal Bay Secondary School visits to middle school

John Stubbs

Visit #1 – January 17th at John Stubbs Memorial School

Royal Bay Admin and counsellors will visit Grade 8 classes to provide students with a general overview of the Grade 9 program. RBSS Course Selection Process.

Visit #2 February 10th RBSS Admin and counsellors will visit Grade 8 classes to provide course selection procedures and assist in completion of course selection. The date has been changed to the 10th of February to allow students on the Québec trip to attend.

***Students and families have until Thursday, February 23rd to make changes. We will collect course selection forms on February 24th from their middle schools. ***

École Royal Bay Secondary School visits to middle school

Dunsmuir

Visit #1 – January 19th at Dunsmuir Middle School

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With thanks for your support,

Royal Bay Secondary School RBSS Leadership Team