

West Haven Public School

OPTION SELECTION SHEET

2020-2021

- There is a link to a **Google Form** at the end of this document. After reading the course descriptions, please ensure that you complete ALL sections of the form and submit your child's Junior High Complimentary Course choices to us by April 24, 2020.
- This form is to be completed for each child who will be in Junior High in the 2020 - 2021 school year. Students will be assigned two option courses for each of the 3 terms according to individual choices, class sizes and date received.
- **West Haven Public School Complimentary Course Philosophy**
 - WHPS strives to have students experience a wide variety of complementary courses. To do this, we balance the yearly schedule between arts and non-arts complementary courses. Students receive six complementary courses over the year, this means students will be registered in three arts and three non-arts courses over the course of the year.
 - Effort will be made to place students within their top five choices in both the arts and non-arts categories.
 - In order to diversify our student's learning opportunities, students may not repeat the same option classes during the year.
 - Most options have a nominal fee attached to them. *Estimated* course fees are included beside the course name. These fees will be used to directly support those students registered in the course.
 - Students will have the opportunity to switch option classes in the beginning of the school year if they were placed into an option outside of their top 4 choices or if they were inadvertently placed in the same option twice. All class switches must be approved by an administrator.
 - If a switch is approved, we will do our best to place your child into one of their top 4 choices using the following guidelines.
 - The students original course selections
 - Respect to maximum course enrollments
 - The yearly Arts/Non-Arts course balance
- Note that if the Google Form at the bottom of this document is not completed, we will place your child into courses where there is room. Failure to return a form will affect the opportunity to switch courses. If you have any difficulty completing this form, please contact either justin.klaassen@blackgold.ca or sandy.musteca@blackgold.ca and we will be happy to help you.

This chart is for your use only. You do not need to return to the school.

STUDENT NAME: _____

Grade: _____

Section 1 - ARTS		Section 2 - Non Arts	
#Coding	Guitar/Rockband	Basketball Skills	Rugby Skills
Animation	Introduction to Musical Theatre	Curling	Heart & Sole Running
Band	Model & Design (3D)	Foods	Soccer Skills
Choir	One Acts	Hockey	Sports Skills
Crafts	Online Business	Leadership	STEM
Digital Art & Photography	Painting	Math Olympics	Rocketry
Film Studies	Sketching	Outdoor Education	Volleyball Skills
French as a Second Language	Songwriting/Creative Writing	Personal Training (Gr. 8 & 9 only)	Woodworking
Global Village	Spanish Culture & Language		
Student Choices (complete all)		Student Choices (complete all)	
1 st Arts Choice:		1 st Non Arts Choice:	
2 nd Arts Choice:		2 nd Non Arts Choice:	
3 rd Arts Choice:		3 rd Non Arts Choice:	
4 th Arts Choice:		4 th Non Arts Choice:	
5 th Arts Choice:		5 th Non Arts Choice:	
6 th Arts Choice:		6 th Non Arts Choice:	

Section 1: Arts Complimentary Course Descriptions

#Coding

No Charge

Do you ever wonder how your smartphone works? How about your Chromebook? What about your microwave? All of these items are told how to behave by a code that is programmed into them. #Coding is a course that will explore the basics of computational thinking and how to put these ideas into a coding language. We will explore languages such as Blockly, Java, and Python while making use of Microbits and other programmable hardware. 00100011 01100011 01101111 01100100 01101001 01101110 01100111

Animation

\$ 8.00

Let's get animated! Have you ever wondered how Disney and Pixar create their movies? Do you enjoy drawing and creating stories but don't know how to bring your art to life? In this class, you will have the opportunity to create animations by hand and using online software. You will also learn about important elements in film such as claymation and storyboarding, and, using the DSLR cameras, you will also get to create some of your own stop motion films!

Band

\$ 50.00

Learn how to play a musical instrument and enjoy the fun of playing together in a band! This course is an instrumental (wind) program offered during the first two terms of the school year. You can play alto Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone, Bass Clarinet, Clarinet, Euphonium/Baritone, French Horn, Flute, Tenor Saxophone, Trombone, Trumpet or Tuba. We prefer that band instruments be rented directly from The Bandstand Ltd. If necessary, rentals can also be arranged through the school, for a cost of \$150.00.

Choir

\$ 2.00

This course is intended to develop skills in vocal performance in a welcoming group setting. Students will be introduced to music notation, basic vocal techniques, performance, and will develop skills that will enable them to sing in multiple parts. No previous singing experience required!

Crafts

\$ 8.00

This course is designed for students who like to build things with their hands and are feeling inspired. We will be using a multitude of materials and mediums from hand sewing, to duct tape and yarn. If you're feeling crafty and like to create new materials, this is the perfect course for you.

Digital Art & Photography

\$ 4.00

Want to take your artistic abilities to the digital realm? Maybe make your class work and presentations a little more polished? In this course, you will learn to use Google Applications basics to make your drawings and presentation better! Next, we will take to the cameras and photo editing software to create awesome art and website portfolios.

Film Studies**No Charge**

Film studies is a course intended to familiarize students with the particulars of film history as well as to provide them with a chance to analyze film as a visual art form. This course should appeal to any and all students who love to watch movies and discuss them. In addition, students will have the opportunity to develop skills in creative writing, analytical response and script writing.

French as a Second Language**\$ 5.00**

The FSL program will focus on the communication skills of speaking, reading, writing, listening, and viewing through various units. The key objectives are to provide students with many language experiences that will enable them to learn new vocabulary related to everyday activities, school, people, places, weather, animals, clothing and food. Students will also build upon their knowledge of verbs in the present tense in conversational settings. Additionally, the course aims to foster an appreciation of French culture in Canada and throughout the world.

Global Village**No Charge**

This course is the next best thing to actually travelling the world! In Global Village, we will discover amazing and interesting cultures, re-create authentic elements of these cultures, and experience the thrill of travel through multiple media sources. Let your adventurous spirit free!

Guitar/Rockband**\$ 10.00**

This guitar course is open to students of all skill levels and experience. We cover the basics of playing melodies, scales, and chords, as well as performing songs. We study varying playing techniques and styles of well-known guitarists and work toward developing our own playing style. Depending on the skill development in class, the possibility of playing in a band-like setting could become an option as well. Please note that we do have a limited number of guitars for student usage.

Introduction to Musical Theatre**\$ 8.00**

The intent of this course is to provide students with a beginning understanding of musical theatre. Through this course students will explore music and singing, choreography and finally acting technique. This course is intended to follow the CTF curriculum and allow students some flexibility in pursuing interests as related to musical theatre.

Model and Design (3D)**\$ 8.00**

In this course, students will study elements of design, using that knowledge to create a model in response to a developed challenge. Students will learn how to use computer Assisted Design (CAD) software to bring their models to life and potentially 3D print their designs.

One Acts**\$ 8.00**

Students will participate in One Acts, whether they are acting, creating sets, collecting/making props, or stage managing. We will present to the school and community at the end of the term.

Online Business**No Charge**

The world of work is changing. Because of the internet, more and more people every year are able to work from home or at least enjoy flexibility in their work hours. To better prepare you for a possible future with this type of career, we are offering an Online Business Option. Learn how to form a company, how to make money selling products online, and how to market through your favourite social media channels. You will never look at jobs the same again after taking this course.

Painting**\$ 8.00**

Would you like to learn how to paint?. In this class, you will be introduced to a variety of watercolors and acrylic painting techniques as well as study several Art movements involving a variety of paint techniques. Learn how to enhance your work by experimenting with a variety of tools.

Sketching**\$ 4.00**

Do you find yourself sketching a lot in class? Let's apply those talents! In this section of 2D Art, you will learn a variety of awesome techniques in drawing portraits, still life, landscapes, and even dragon eyes! If you have an interest in drawing or want to hone your skills, this class is for you!

Song Writing/Creative Writing**\$ 8.00**

This is a creative writing course designed for students who wish to concentrate on songwriting, poetry, and fiction writing. Through lecture, lyric and poetry analysis, collaborative discussion, music, writing exercises, and critiques of student writing in a workshop mode, the student will examine critically the elements of literary creation, while being given the time, tools, and opportunity to write in a creative, fun and cathartic capacity. The students will keep a journal and prepare a portfolio of their work.

Spanish Culture and Language**\$ 5.00**

Are you interested in learning about other cultures? In this course, you will learn about the Spanish-Speaking world through the study of geography, traditions, holidays, and an introduction to the Spanish language itself! Key objectives in your language development include basic conversation skills, vocabulary building, and pronunciation. ¡Vamonos!

End of Section 1 - please have your 6 choices ready

Section 2: Non Arts Complimentary Course Descriptions

Basketball Skills

TBD (LRC and bussing cost dependent)

Basketball Skills provides instruction for the improvement of offensive skills including ball-handling and shooting, as well as for the improvement of defensive skills. Team strategy and game situations will be covered to assist students to improve their basketball abilities. This class will be open to beginning players as well as experienced players.

Curling

TBD (LRC and bussing cost dependent)

Have you ever watched curling but never really understood how the game works? Are you interested in learning a new sport? In this program, students will have the opportunity to learn the basics of proper curling technique and the strategy behind playing a curling game. Students will also get the chance to play some curling games against each other. (Last year this option cost \$65.00 per student. We are waiting to hear back from the LRC regarding cost).

Foods

\$ 25.00

In this complimentary course you will work to gain an appreciation of the processes involved in preparing a wide variety of foods. You will be guided through food topics which will increase your basic skill level and most importantly your kitchen management skills. Throughout the course, there will be various projects to complete: Breakfast Challenge, Baking challenge, Duelling Donut Challenge, Mystery Box Challenge or complete Meal Challenge. Project tasks will depend upon skill level and grade level of course offering.

Heart and Sole Running

No Charge

The Heart and Sole option is for students who have an interest in, or already enjoy running outdoors. Students will learn techniques that will increase their knowledge of sport and nutrition, increase their knowledge of sport and nutrition, increase endurance and learn how to prevent injury while distance running. Are you an experienced runner? Great! Never run before? Perfect! There is something for everyone in this course.

Hockey

TBD (LRC and bussing cost dependent)

Our goal is to provide developing hockey players with more ice time - built into their school day. Our Hockey Option will consist of 12 ice times per trimester, with one class in school per week to deal with dryland training, hockey theory, and video analysis. This CTF challenge course is made for students who love hockey, are committed to training, and are comfortable leaving school at least once a week to play hockey.

Leadership**\$ 2.00**

This leadership course will emphasize skills such as goal setting, communication, and organization, along with the other skills it takes to be a good leader both in your school and community. The structure of this class will consist of group activities, completion of school based opportunities, planning for school and community events, individual projects/goals, and the learning and practicing of leadership qualities/skills both as a group and as individuals. Remember, this course is based on the belief that good leaders are developed - not born. As such, the focus of this class will be to give you the tools you need to become great leaders.

Math Olympics**\$ 2.00**

This program offers students the opportunity to learn and develop numeracy skills and competencies. Through a variety of games and hands-on activities, students will develop the knowledge and skills to increase numeracy performance. Students will also be given the opportunity to guide their own learning through teamwork and creation of math games based on their interest. During this course we will investigate careers and opportunities that relate to mathematical concepts.

Outdoor Education**\$ 40.00**

The goal of Outdoor Education is to provide students with opportunities to learn about and experience activities related to the outdoors. Classes will consist of some in class instruction as well as a large degree of "learning by experiencing". Our emphasis will be on activities like camping, cycling, hiking, rock climbing, kayaking, as well as nurturing a respect for the environment in which we do these things.

Personal Training (Grade 8 & 9 students only)**TBD (LRC and bussing cost dependent)**

Weight lifting is not just for athletes or bodybuilders anymore. Evidence shows that resistance (weight) training helps not only in improving muscular strength but can increase longevity, appearance, and confidence. Come join us in learning the basics of weight lifting and other resistance-based fitness movements, then design your own program that best suits your goals!

Rocketry**\$ 25.00**

Students will have the opportunity to design, create and fly rockets and planes. During the course we will learn the fundamentals of design, construction and basic rocket science.

Rugby**TBD (LRC and bussing cost dependent)**

Interested in one of the newest Olympic sports but don't understand why they pass backwards? This class is for anyone interested in learning rugby or already have some experience. This course is designed to build rugby knowledge as well as development. Students will be active in participation as well as their learning helping to develop drills. The focus of this class will be on sportsmanship and development.

Soccer Skills

TBD (LRC and bussing cost dependent)

Students will learn many things to help them become more dynamic soccer players and better all around athletes. The class will focus on the different skill sets including: offensive skills, defensive skills, teamwork, physical fitness and attitude. Students of all ability levels will have the chance to improve and hone their skills.

Sports Skills

TBD (LRC and bussing cost dependent)

This is a course for students who are driven to do their best in athletics and who want to improve on their skills and techniques in school sports, as well as increase their understanding of teamwork, fairplay, strategy, officiating and scorekeeping. We will be looking at fundamental and advanced skills for sports and working on our sports leadership through teamwork situations.

STEM

\$ 20.00

This program offers students the opportunity to learn and solve real-world problems related to science, technology, engineering, and math. During the course, students will engage in hands-on activities and labs to create solutions to problems related to STEM. Students will also be given the opportunity to guide their own learning based on their interests and further develop teamwork skills. During the course, we will also look into some of the careers that connect to STEM.

Volleyball Skills

TBD (LRC and bussing cost dependent)

This course is designed to develop skills and knowledge in the sport of volleyball. Students will have the opportunity to learn the basic concepts, strategies, and understanding of terminology, as well as rules of volleyball. Students should expect to be active in most classes, participating fully in drills, games, and different skill activities. The focus of this course will be on sportsmanship, team strategy, participation, and technical skills.

Woodworking

\$ 25.00

This course will teach you to safely use a variety of hand and power machinery to create a product of your own design in response to a challenge. Past challenges have been table making, storage solutions, exploring making round products etc. We will work as a class to come up with our term challenges in the coming year.

End of Section 2 - please have your 6 choices ready

Use the following link to submit your choices to us by April 24th.

[Complementary Course Selection Form](#)