

January 2025

Grade 7 to 8 Transition to Seycove Secondary School

Dear Parents/Guardians of Grade 7 Students,

On behalf of the administration and staff at Seycove, we welcome you to our Seycove Secondary School community. It is with great anticipation and excitement that we look forward to the arrival of your child at Seycove for the 2025-2026 school year. This letter provides a brief overview of the process that your child will participate in over the next few months as they transition to high school.

Our transition program focuses on giving students and families helpful information while providing an initial introduction to Seycove. This is also an opportunity for us to learn how we can best support our incoming students prior to their official arrival in September.

Course Programming Information Meeting for Grade 7 Parents

Families of current Grade 7s are invited to our Course Programming Information and transition meeting on **Thursday, February 6, 2025 at 6:00pm in the Seycove Cafeteria**. This meeting includes a school welcome and introduction, programming information presentation, and a question and answer period. The purpose of this meeting is to provide general information about Seycove Secondary and our programs and courses. For those interested, we will offer a school tour at 5:00pm starting from the main entrance foyer in front of the Seyhawk carving.

Seycove has a unique program offering in grades 8 to 12 called the PLP program. **The Performance Learning Program (PLP)** is a Project Based Learning, technologically enriched environment that focuses on mastery of core academic content and the development of essential success skills. Learners are challenged to think critically to solve complex problems, work collaboratively, communicate effectively, and develop academic and growth mindsets.

Elementary Family of Schools sent notice home earlier about the meeting tomorrow for new PLP Learners or those interested in learning more, **January 21 at 7pm** in the Seycove Cafeteria. You are also invited to an upcoming Q&A session online **February 10, 2025 at 5:30 PM** on Teams. The link can be found on the PLP blog: plp.seycove.ca

Grade 7 Student Programming Presentation

Ms. Ruby Willems (Grade 8 Counsellor) and Mr. Ruben (Vice Principal), will be attending elementary schools to present students with course programming information for their Grade 8 year from February 10-12, 2025. Grade 7 teachers will distribute Course Request sheets and completed forms should be returned to Grade 7 teachers prior to **Monday, March 3, 2025**.

Grade 7 Tour of Seycove – April 23, 2025

Grade 7 students and their teachers will be invited to come to Seycove for a guided tour and short presentation in the spring. More information will be forwarded to your child's school as it becomes available.

The purpose of this visit will be three-fold:



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- to familiarize your child with the size of the school and observe classes while in session
- to help your child gain an understanding of the school's academic and elective areas
- to build a sense of community and connection to Seycove Secondary

Grade 7 Articulation Meetings

Another behind the scenes aspect of the Grade 7 transition process will take place in April. The Seycove transition team of educators will connect with elementary schools to discuss specific educational needs of our incoming Grade 8 students. If necessary, your child's elementary teacher will share any suggested changes or recommendations to your child's program. For students who may require additional supports, our Family of Schools Leader, Meagan Stoker, will connect with families individually.

September 2025 – Grade 8 First day of High School & Parent Orientation

Lastly, in the fall, we will invite Grade 8 parents to Seycove Secondary to learn more about Grade 8 and about ways to support your child as they transition to high school. Exact dates for this event will be sent out via email in late August. (Please ensure your contact information is accurate and up to date).

On behalf of the Seycove Secondary community, we look forward to meeting and working with you and your child. If you have any questions regarding your child's program at our school, please contact grade counsellor Ms. Ruby Willems at rwillems@sd44.ca.

For up-to-date information regarding Seycove Secondary School, please visit our [website](#).

If you have any other questions about the transition process, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards,
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