



HIGH SCHOOL

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2021-2022 Parent/ Student Grade 9 Registration Handbook



Greetings from Christ the King School Home of Charger Nation

Welcome to Christ the King School and thank you for seeing what our school has to offer. Our staff members take your commitment to our school seriously. We pledge to provide you with high quality programming within a caring Catholic environment. Students are known personally by their teachers and a close relationship between the school and home is encouraged and nurtured.

Choosing a high school is an important and difficult task for students and parents. Here are a few points to consider regarding Christ the King School:

- We provide an environment that develops the whole student; academically, physically, emotionally and spiritually.
- High academic student achievement in diploma exam courses
- High academic student achievement in Provincial Achievement Tests
- Our personal learning time block allows for individualized or small group attention from our staff members

Please look closely at our full range of academic programs and our extensive list of electives at the high school level. Let us assist you in making an informed decision about how Christ the King School can best meet your long-term goals. This orientation book provides you with valuable information for planning your high school program as well as descriptions of the courses available at CTK. If you have any questions or require further information please contact us at the school.

We look forward to a tremendous year of "Learning and Growing in Christ." May God bless us as we embark on this journey!



Mr. Dean Heck Acting Principal



Ms. Lynn Karasiuk James
Acting Vice Principal

About Our school

Christ the King School is located in the City of Leduc and is a grades 9 to 12 school with an enrollment of approximately 350 students, serving Leduc as well as the larger surrounding rural area.

As a Catholic school community, we are committed to helping all students achieve at high levels, build community, and grow in relationship with others through Jesus Christ.

Charger Nation: Learning the Way. Living the Way. Loving the Way.



Welcome to Grade 9

Course Planning and Registration

Welcome to grade 9 at Christ the King. Students going into grade 9 as well as their parents and guardians are reminded of the following:

- All grade nine students are enrolled in: English Language Arts, Social Studies, Science, Math, Phys Ed, Religion, and Health. The balance of the timetable for a grade 9 student is filled with electives.
- The electives offered will be based on student interest and scheduling. Electives will be chosen based on the Grade Nine Elective Course Selection Form.

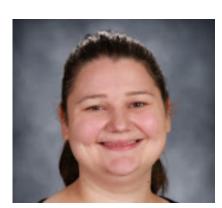
Student Services

At Christ the King School, we teach for academic and spiritual success. Our approach is to encourage a search for solutions to develop a mature, Christ-like, self-disciplined individual who is a responsible, contributing member of the school and the community. This invites the cooperation of students, parents, staff and the student services team. The following services are available to all students at Christ the King through the Student Services Office:





Mrs. Dorman-Watson Student Services/Counsellor



Mrs. Colombina
Student Services/Counsellor

Educational Counselling:

- Peer tutoring
- New student orientation
- Scholarship information
- Appropriate course placement
- Evaluation of student transcripts
- Teacher Student Parent consultations
- Learning Support and Inclusive Education
- Study skills

Career Counselling:

- Post-secondary workshops and information sessions
- Computer assisted career information
- Information regarding volunteer and/or summer school opportunities
- Information on employment opportunities

Personal Counselling:

- Crisis counselling
- Dealing with issues such as grief, divorce, suicide, family violence, depression, eating disorders, physical/sexual abuse, substance abuse and self-esteem
- Referrals as required

*This list adjusts with the changing needs of our students and families. If you are requiring support in any way, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. We will work collaboratively to provide the necessary support to those who require it.

Faith Development

Students have the opportunity to deepen their faith, as the school offers numerous activities focused on faith formation including: daily prayer, service projects, faith experiences (e.g. Charged! Events, rallies), monthly masses, Advent and Lenten reflections, Shrove Tuesday Luncheon and participating in the Archdiocesan Youth Retreats.







Student Activities, Clubs and Groups

Co-curricular activities and extra-curricular activities are an important part of life at Christ the King. In addition to clubs and teams, there are many leadership and service opportunities. The activities offered during any school year depend upon student interest and the availability of staff advisors. What follows are brief descriptions of a few of the activities and programs that will assist students in enhancing their faith, leadership skills, athleticism and school spirit.

Student Council

The Student Council serves as a voice for the student body. Students from all grade levels are encouraged to be involved in the council. They are involved in organizing theme days and events throughout the year. In addition to this, students are encouraged to participate in activities focused on social justice and numerous community service projects.

Grade 9 Travel Club

Christ the King school runs a Grade 9 Travel opportunity to Victoria B.C. This 4 day trip includes activities such as Whale Watching, Zip Lining, Cave Exploration, visiting Victoria Bug Zoo, Harbour Kayaking and an Escape Room Experience.











Rotary Interact Club

The Rotary Interact Club is a service group of students from grades 9-12 who follow the Rotary International motto of "service above self." The group participates in service projects within our school, our community and neighboring communities. The group also has opportunities to provide service for international communities through mission trips. The first of these trips, to Costa Rica, was completed in the summer of 2016. The Rotary Interact Club travels on years opposite to the International Travel Club so students have the opportunity to participate in both if they wish.



Musical Theatre/Technical Theatre

Christ The King runs a musical theatre program. Students from grades 9-12 put on the school's live performance of a musical production in March. Participation ranges from performers to technical assistance.



Chess Club

League play and chess tournaments are the order of the day.



Interschool Athletics

Christ the King has a proud tradition in interscholastic sports. Christ the King "Chargers" compete in the Leduc and District Athletic Association (LDAA) in the following sports: golf, volleyball, basketball, soccer,badminton and track and field. We have enjoyed tremendous success throughout the years with numerous championship banners.







School Spirit











Potential Options Choices at Christ The King For Grade 9 Students

The electives offered will be based on student interest and scheduling. Please note that there may be fees associated with certain options courses. These fees will be set by June 2021. Those option classes marked with * will have fees

*3D Printing and Video Design- In 3D Printing and Video Design, students will learn the fundamentals of designing in 3D space. Students will begin creating a series of increasing complex objects incorporating the iterative design process in order to increase the quality of the object and strengthen their overall 3D printing skills. In Video Design, students will learn a variety of industry standard techniques in both setting-up and shooting high-quality footage.

*Sport Leadership - Sport Leadership will provide grade 9 students the opportunity to develop into the area of small group games and team sports. You will also explore the realm of personal wellness and conditioning. Students will have a greater opportunity to build skills and improve leadership qualities in a variety of activities and projects. Students will learn how to set goals and appreciate the benefits of improved personal fitness throughout the term.

Yearbook Class - Photography, photo editing, online media platforms to create the school's treasured end result of a YEARBOOK. This class allows students to expand their knowledge with online publishing sites as well as creating a monthly newspaper for the school's students to read. This course will help aspiring students be a photographer, editor, or journalist or just enhance technology skills.

Guitar and Instrumental – Guitar 9 is designed for students who are interested in developing their musical skills and knowledge as guitar players, songwriters, and music enthusiasts. Students will have the opportunity to learn to play the drums, keyboards, ukulele, and bass guitar if they so wish. The course is designed to spark musical interests and develop instrument playing skills. A variety of musical genres are explored, including (and not limited to): rock, folk, jazz, electronic, county and classical. Students will leave the course with improved playing skills, a greater understanding of songwriting, and positive experiences playing in small group performances. No prior experience necessary!

*Construction Technologies - Students will use basic hand tools and power tools and production skills to safely transform common building materials into useful products. They will utilize basic construction and woodworking techniques to produce an acoustic speaker box and will then produce two further wood projects of their own design. Students also have the option to use V-Carve software to create projects with a CNC Router.

Film Studies - Love movies? Love talking about movies? Want to know what makes your favorite movies so great? Film Studies students learn the techniques used to create films, learn about what makes a story so popular in today's culture and how these films will continue to influence the film industry and society for years to come.

- *Outdoor Ed. students have the opportunity to build knowledge and skills for safe outdoor experiences in all seasons, and they will deepen their awareness and respect for nature. In this course, they will cover wilderness hazards and how to mitigate them, shelter building techniques, navigation skills, and a trip to the Strathcona Wilderness Centre.
- *Art Junior high students use a range of tools, materials and media to express how they feel, to think artistically and to value art. They draw and create art, and they examine the art that others have made.
- *Home Ec. Students learn basic culinary and baking techniques in a variety of labs, ensuring safety. The goal of this course is to enhance knowledge and gain experience for daily life skills.
- *Computers Basics in computer operations and programs. Coding, game design and graphics.

Drama - This course introduces and explores theater from page to stage as a live performing art. Topics include exploring improv, script writing, character development, stage makeup and more, all while developing communication and collaboration skills.

Sample Grade 9 Time Table - Semestered Classes

At Christ The King we operate on a Day 1 and Day 2 schedule. This offers us the flexibility to optimize programming for all our students. Day 1 and Day 2 schedules simply alternate from day to day. We do offer PLT time on Tuesdays and Thursdays with kids following their time table for the day.

	Day 1	Day 2
Block A 8:45 -10:13	Science	Science
Block B 10:17-11:40	ELA	ELA
Lunch 11:40-12:25	Lunch	Lunch
Block C 12:30-1:53	Religion/Health	Student Choice Elective
Block D 1:57-3:20	ELA	Physed

Personal Learning Time Information

What is PLT (Personal Learning Time)?

It is strategic <u>tutorial</u> time to help students be successful in courses. Students will sometimes choose their PLT activity; if students need help they can access teachers of their choice OR a teacher can "lock in" the student to receive targeted instruction on specific learning outcomes not yet achieved.

When is PLT (Personal Learning Time)?

We offer PLT sessions during the regular school week and it is scheduled in students' regular timetables. All of our students, in consultation with their teachers, will take advantage of their PLT in areas of need or interest.

Who attends PLT?

Attendance to PLT is mandatory. It is for anyone who needs extra help or is falling behind on specific learning outcomes. PLT is also for advancing in a class with additional academic support. PLT can be used to learn about Adulting, to learn a new game in the Gym, participate in a new activity or broaden your knowledge in a subject area.

What enrichment activities are offered during PLT?

- -Get help in a subject you are struggling with
- -Improve grades
- -Complete missed exams and labs
- -Catch up on assignments and work and engage in enriching mental health activities.

PLT Schedule (usually on a Tuesday and Thursday)

	Day 1	Day 2
Block A 8:45 10:05	Science	Science
PLT Time 10:07-10:43	PLT	PLT
Block B 10:47 - 12:00	ELA	ELA
Lunch 12:00-12:45	Lunch	Lunch
Block C 12:50 - 2:03	Religion/Health	Student Choice Elective
Block D 2:07-3:20	ELA	Physed

School Map

