

August 18, 2025



Welcome to the Wolfpack

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year, we are thrilled to welcome you to West Niagara Secondary School. Here is some important information to help you be ready for the first day of school, Tuesday, September 2nd!

Grade 9 Wolfpack Welcome Events: We are so thrilled to welcome our new grade 9 students. There will be a variety of welcome activities throughout the first weeks of school! More details will be shared in September!

Hey incoming grade 9s! If you are interested in joining the 2025-2026 WNSS Student Council, all students are welcome to join! We meet on Mondays after school in the library. There is a job for everyone, listen & check the announcements link on our website for more information!

Summer Registration Packages & September Updates

This is done ONLINE. All registration items are **emailed home mid-August** to the primary guardian email provided. Be sure to check your inbox for this important information during the last weeks of August. If you have not received them check your junk mail or you can access School Cash Online on our website at <https://westniagara.dsbn.org/home> and click the School Cash Online button



You must complete all the forms (listed below) using the School Cash Online app. You will need to submit all registration forms to participate in school events, access transportation & technology, extracurricular activities, and for some of the specialized classrooms.

STEP 1: Complete the following forms on School Cash Online: Use this checklist to ensure that you have completed all the required forms ONLINE BEFORE SEPTEMBER 2nd!

- ☐ **Acceptable Use Agreement for Students Using Information & Communication in Technologies**
- ☐ **Consent for Participation in the Sciences**
- ☐ **Permission to Participate in Phys Ed & Intramural/Athletic Programs (complete to participate in all school activities, lunch intramurals, colour grade dates, etc.)**
- ☐ **Consent to Participate in Technology**
- ☐ **Consent to Participate in Family Studies**
- ☐ **Responsible Use of Personal Electronic/Mobile Devices**
- ☐ **Student Activity Fees 2025/2026**

STEP 2: Payment of Student Activity Fees using School Cash Online

Student Activity Fees can be completed on-line using the SCHOOL CASH ONLINE feature, a secure and reliable link that is available on our website at <https://westniagara.dsbn.org/home>.

Prevalent Medical Conditions: Plan of Care

A Plan of Care specific to the student needs is required for all students with a prevalent medical condition. Anaphylaxis, asthma, diabetes, or epilepsy require a Plan of Care specific to their prevalent medical health condition. Other life-threatening medical conditions require a Plan of Care – General. A Plan of Care document outlines a student's specific health needs and steps necessary to support their well-being in the school environment. If your child has a prevalent medical condition, please complete the corresponding plan of care by accessing the link below. Once the form is completed or if you need any help with this process please email Jenny Gardner at jenny.gardner@dsbn.org

All forms and supporting documents can be found:

- **[Appendix A: Plan of Care - Anaphylaxis](#)**
- **[Appendix B: Plan of Care - Asthma](#)**
- **[Appendix C: Plan of Care - Diabetes](#)**
- **[Appendix D: Plan of Care - Epilepsy](#)**
- **[Appendix E: Plan of Care - General](#)**

Timetables for the 2025/26 School Year

Timetables will be available in the DSBN student portal in ASPEN **the week of August 25-29, 2025**. To access your timetable:

Login with your DSBN email or username and password. Remember to use the AASP button, **not** the Log On button.

- 1. Click the My Info button at the top left-hand corner underneath your name.**
- 2. Click on the Current Schedule button along the left-hand side of the screen.**
- 3. Your schedule appears, sorted by course name. Click on the word Term to sort by semester/term.**

Timetable Change Requests for 2025/26 school year

The Guidance department will be addressing timetable change requests starting the week of August 25th. Timetable change appointments will be in-person for the week of August 25-28th and will be first come, first served.

Please see schedule below:

- Monday, August 25th: 8:30 am – 2 pm – Grade 12
- Tuesday, August 26th: 8:30 am – 2 pm – Grade 12/11
- Wednesday, August 27th: 8:30 am – 2 pm – Grade 11
- Thursday, August 28th: 8:30 am – 2 pm – Grade 10/9

Once school starts on September 2nd, students will have to make appointments using our online booking system on the school website.

Please note that timetable changes will not be made to request specific teachers, or to join a class with friends.

Bell Times and Start Date

The 2025/26 School year will start on **September 2nd, 2025**. School will begin at 8:05 am and end at 2:10 pm. It is important to arrive by 8:00 am to ensure that you are in class on time.

Daily Schedule					
Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Lunch	Period 4	Period 4
8:05-9:10	9:15 – 10:15	10:20- 11:20	11:20- 12:00	12:05- 1:05	1:10- 2:10

School Office Opens

The school main office will open **Monday August 25th** if you have any questions about registrations, schedules, or School Cash Online please call the office at 905-945-5416 on this date so we can help you and connect you with the appropriate support.

Transportation Inquires



If you have any transportation questions or concerns, please visit nsts.ca or call 905-357-6787.

Change in Contact Information

If your contact information (email, phone, address) changes over the summer please email jackie.cosby@dsbn.org immediately so we can be sure we have your current details. *If we do not have your current address updated by Monday August 25th, students may not have a bus until the second week of school.*

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How to Stay Informed?

- Additional information regarding the 2025/26 school year will be available on the DSBN website www.dsbn.org
- Check your email for communications from the school, starting in mid August
- Follow our school on social media: IG@westniagarasecondary
- Summer School inquiries are made directly to Continuing Education, ACE@DSBN.ORG

Introducing Your Principal & Vice Principals



Mrs. Sargeant , Principal

I am thrilled to join the West Niagara school team. In the wise words of Ted Lasso:: “I believe in hope. I believe in Believe.”

Looking forward to meeting all of you this year and becoming part of the legendary Wolfpack school spirit. I BELIEVE this is going to be an incredible year for all of us!

Mr. Daniels, Vice Principal

I'm very excited to be starting full-time at West Niagara as a Vice Principal. I was an English Teacher before I was a Vice Principal and love reading. Please let me know if you have any good book recommendations.



Ms. Leng-Marini, Vice Principal

I'm beyond excited to join the West Niagara Wolfpack this year! I'm passionate about all things learning and value purpose-driven work that empowers both students and staff to continue growing together. I believe the best ideas start with curiosity, collaboration, and coffee. I can't wait to get to know this amazing community!

Mr. Whittington, Vice Principal

I am looking forward to a great year together.



The office opens Monday, August 25th.

First Day of classes is Tuesday, September 2nd.

