

Delta Secondary School

Grade 7

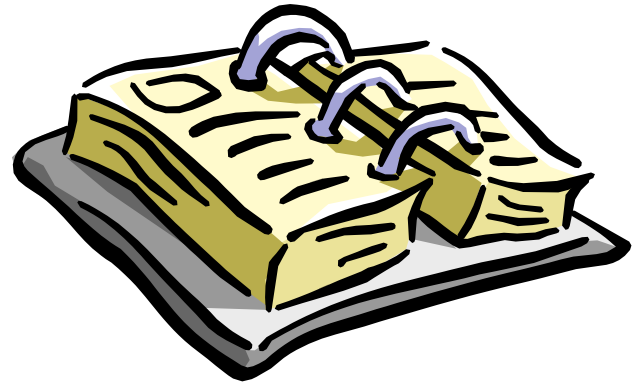
Course Selection

Welcome Class of 2028



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Land Acknowledgement

I would like to acknowledge the traditional territories of the Tsawwassen and Musqueam First Nations and all the Hun'qumi'num speaking people who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial.

I would also like to offer my respects to all the Elders who have gone before us and to all Canadians who are on the journey of Reconciliation.



Administration

- Principal

- Mr. John Pavão
 - Grade 12



- Vice Principals

- Mr. Mike Annandale
 - Grade 9 & 11



- Ms. Margaret Callander
 - Grade 8 & 10



Counsellors

- Mr. Lalli, Last Names A – Cli
- Ms. Greene, Last Name Clo – Li
- Mrs. Rohwer, Last Name Lj – O
– & International Students
- Mrs. Gillis, Last Name P - Z



Our District Vision 2030

and Framework for Enhanced Student Learning (Our School Goals)

1) Connectedness

- 2 or more adults in the school who believe the child will be a success

2) Literacy & Numeracy

- Develop the skills, strategies and tools to have success in these areas

3) Independent Learners

- *What am I learning?*
- *How is it going?*
- *Where to next?*

4) Graduation

- Dignity, purpose, passion and options



School Information

- 1225 Students
- 75 Teachers
- 25 Educational Assistants
- 25+ Support Staff
 - Clerical,
 - Youth Care Worker,
 - Career Centre,
 - Police Liaison Officer
 - Cafeteria Staff
- PAC Chair – Mr. Wayne Manary



<http://de.deltasd.bc.ca/>



School Information

Purpose, Passion & Student Opportunities:

- Athletics Program
- International Student Program
- Performing & Fine Arts Program
- Technical Studies & Apprenticeship Programs
- Various in-school clubs and activities
- Student Leadership Opportunities



Being a Delta “Pacer”

- **P**articipate
- **A**chieve
- **C**are
- **E**xplore
- **R**espect



School Pride
School Spirit
School Identity
School Community





Pacer Life at Delta Secondary



Participation!

Get Involved!

Create your own amazing high school experience!



Athletics at DSS this year...

- Badminton, Basketball, Field Hockey, Golf, Swimming, Soccer, Tennis, Track & Field, Ultimate Frisbee, Volleyball, Ball Hockey



CLUBS At DSS

- *Alliance Club
- *Anti-Racism Committee
- *Art Club
- *Audio Club
- *Commerce Club
- *Connections Club
- *Dungeons & Dragons Club
- *DYAC Club
- *Environmental Club
- *First Responders Club
- *Games & Lego Club
- *Human Rights Club
- *Interact Club
- *Jazz Band Club
- *Performance Club
- *Stagecraft Club
- * Student Government
- * Tutoring Club

Don't see a club you like? Why not start your own? Find a teacher sponsor and get the approval of the Principal



Gr. 8 Opening Day



Grade 8 (& High School)

“It’s About the Journey”



Graduation Dinner & Dance



DSS Graduating Class of 2017

Grade 8 Required Courses

(8 required courses)

- **English Language Arts 8**
- **Social Studies 8**
- **Mathematics 8**
- **Science 8**
- **Physical & Health Education 8**
- **French 8**
- **ADST 8 –Explorations**

*Rotation of Food Studies, Textiles,
Woodwork/Metalwork, Technology Education,*

- **Career Education 8 (off timetable)**



Grade 8 Elective Courses

(1 Fine Arts Elective Course)

You have the choice of one elective in Grade 8

- ***Fine Arts Explorations 8***
Rotation of Art, Drama & Guitar

OR

- ***Band 8 (Beginner or Intermediate)***

AND . . . An option for an additional Course

- ***Choir 8 (“X Block Course” after school)***
 - *In addition to the 8 courses scheduled*



Grade 8 Support Block

(Additional Student Support)

- *Depending on student need, a support block is scheduled as an 8th course (students lose an elective course) or as a non-enrolling support in addition to their 8 blocks.*
- **School Support Programs—“Strategies”**
 - **Learning Assistance (LA - LST)** – Transition Meeting (Gr. 7) and/or School Based Team Meetings at DSS
 - **LD Support (LD - LST)** – for students with a “Q” designation
- **District Support Programs—“Inclusive Learning Programs”**
 - Placements are determined by the school district—each program has its own criteria regarding designations
 - Grad Quest
 - Supportive Learning
 - Modified Academics
 - Life Skills



Academy Program Option

- **Academy Programs (2 Block Programs)**
 - District Programs where students **cross-enroll** in the school that is the host for the academy program
 - ***Academy Programs consist of two courses and students receive credit for Fine Arts and a second elective***
 - Film Acting @ DMEC (Fine Arts)
 - Film Production @ DMEC (Fine Arts)
 - Film Visual Effects @ DMEC (Fine Arts)
 - <https://www.deltaacademies.ca/>



Timetable 2023 - 2024

- We are using a Decision-Making Matrix to help us make an informed decision based on the following educational values with regards to creating a schedule structure:
 - 1. Opportunities for student learning***
 - 2. Student Supports and Access***
 - 3. Student workload & well-being***
 - 4. Staff workload & well-being***
 - 5. Flexibility in scheduling options***



Timetable 2023 - 2024

- We are currently working with school staff, the school district and Ministry of Education regarding our school structure for next year:
 - **Semester**
 - Semester 1: September – January (4 blocks)
 - Semester 2: February – June (4 blocks)
 - **Linear**
 - September – June (8 blocks)
 - **Hybrid**
 - *Combination of semester and linear courses within a timetable*
- *A decision will be communicated to parents prior to Spring Break (March 10th)*



Daily Bell Schedule Semester

(4 classes daily Sept – Jan & Feb - June)

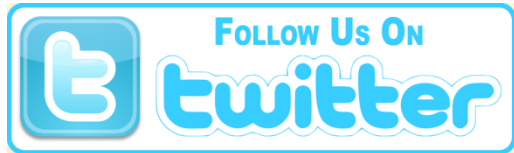
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Period 1 8:30 – 9:40am	A	B	<i>COLLAB</i>	B	A	<i>Collaboration 8:30 – 9:30am</i>
Flex Block 9:45 – 10:20am	<i>Flex</i>	<i>Flex</i>	A	<i>Flex</i>	<i>Flex</i>	<i>Period 1 9:30 – 10:35am</i>
Period 2 10:25 – 11:35am	B	A	B	A	B	<i>Period 2 10:40 – 11:45am</i>
LUNCH 11:35 – 12:15pm	<i>Lunch Break</i>	<i>Lunch Break</i>	<i>Lunch Break</i>	<i>Lunch Break</i>	<i>Lunch Break</i>	<i>LUNCH 11:45am – 12:25pm</i>
Period 3 12:20 – 1:30pm	C	D	C	D	C	<i>Period 3 12:30 – 1:35pm</i>
Period 4 1:35 – 2:45pm	D	C	D	C	D	<i>Period 4 1:40 – 2:45pm</i>

Daily Bell Schedule Linear

(8 classes Alternating September to June)

PERIOD	Mon (Day 1)	Tues (Day 2)	Wed (Day 3)	Thurs (Day 4)	Fri (Day 1)	<i>Wed Bell Schedule</i>
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Staying Connected with Delta Secondary



@dsspacers



My School Day App



@dsspacers1912



Social Media & Cell Phones

- Our students are *“Digital Citizens in a “Digital World”*
 - Cell phones can be the best educational tool when used effectively and appropriately to enhance learning
- VS . . .
- Cell phones and Social Media can result in a lot of social drama, stress, anxiety and take away from learning
- Be connected and involved in your child’s use of social media and remind them of appropriate cell phone use.



Social Media & Cell Phones

Think B4 U Post

1. Would your Grandma want to see that?
2. Do you really think that's private?
3. Would you say that to someone else's face?
4. Is that your work to publish?
5. What is someone published a photo like that of you?

Before you...



THINK!!

T = is it True?

H = is it Helpful?

I = is it Inspiring?

N = is it Nice?

K = is it Kind?



Important Registration Information

- **Course Selection Sheets Due Date : March 3rd**
 - **MyED Login For Course Selection**
 - Instructions and login information has been sent to the Grade 7 teachers and some may have distributed them already.
 - *Any questions or concerns please email the school deltasecondary@deltasd.bc.ca*
- Course selection booklet available on the school's website: www.de.deltasd.bc.ca
- This presentation will be on our school website Monday February 27th.



