



GRADE 8 ELECTIVES AT SSS

Grade 8 Timetable Examples

Example 1

Semester One: September to January	Semester Two: February to June
Humanities 8 Year Long	
ADST- Outdoor Pursuits	French & Careers 8 Semester Two
Break	
Math & Science 8 Year Long	
Lunch	
PE 8 Semester One	ADST-Props and Effects

Example 2

Semester One: September to January	Semester Two: February to June
Guitar 8	PE 8 Semester two
Humanities 8 Year Long	
Break	
ADST – Explore, Design and Build	French & Careers 8 Semester Two
Lunch	
Math & Science 8 Year Long	

Grade 8 Course Selection 2026-2027

ALL STUDENTS MUST RETURN FORM TO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OFFICE BY MARCH 9th

FIRST NAME: _____	LAST NAME: _____
Parent/Guardian Signature: _____	

GRADE 8 REQUIRED COURSES

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|------------------|---|-----------------------|
| ✓ English | } | One teacher year long |
| ✓ Social Studies | | |
| ✓ Math | } | One teacher year long |
| ✓ Science | | |
| ✓ PE | | |

Language

(Choose 1 language)

- French & Careers
- FRAL & Careers
- Witsuwit'en Language & Careers

Important Grade 8 Elective Information

Grade 8 ADST elective courses are hands-on project-based classes that develop collaborative, problem solving skills across a broad range of subject areas. Projects and focus areas for each Grade 8 ADST elective course are different.

GRADE 8 ELECTIVE OPTIONS:

- ADST – *Art & Design in Action*
- ADST – *Build, Design & Explore*
- ADST – *Outdoor Pursuits*
- ADST – *Props, Effects and Costumes*
- ADST - *Textiles*
- Concert Band
- Concert Choir
- Drama
- Guitar

Electives

(Choose 2 electives)

- 1.
- 2.

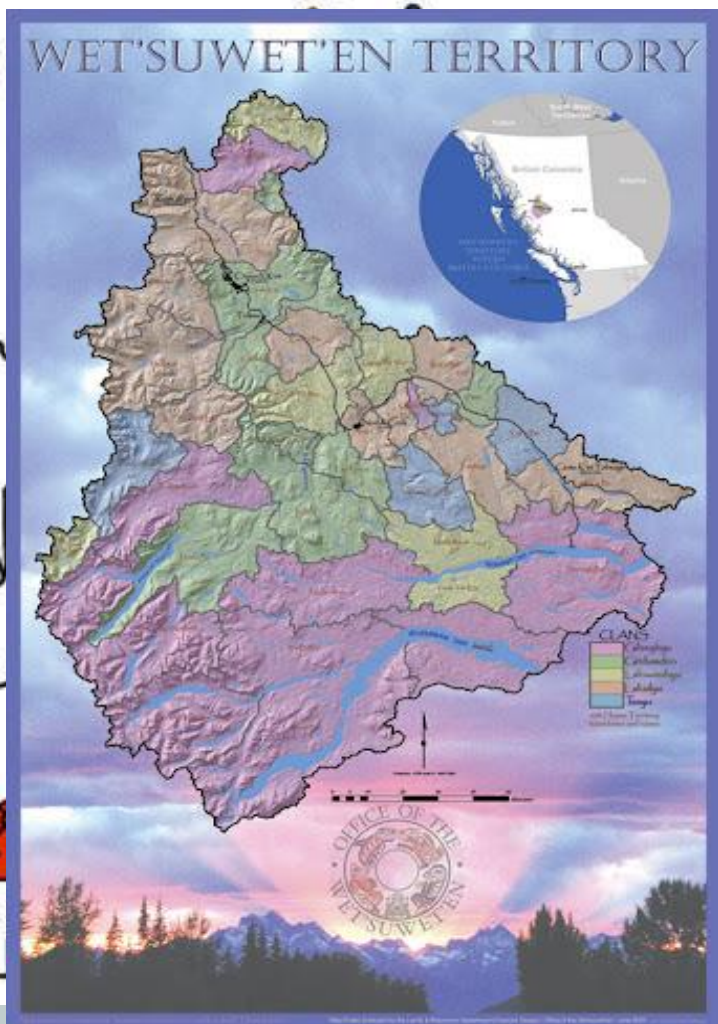
Alternate

(Choose 2 alternate elective)

- 1.
- 2.



For course descriptions visit
<https://sss.sd54.bc.ca/course-selection>



LANGUAGE & CAREERS 8 OPTIONS:
MUST SELECT AT LEAST ONE

Core French 8	Witsuwit'en 8	Français Langue 8
<p>This beginner course offers a continuation of French language learning from elementary school.</p> <p>Students will build on vocabulary, communication and comprehension skills.</p> <p>Students may choose to continue with Core French 9 next year.</p>	<p>This course is an introduction to Witsuwit'en language and culture.</p> <p>Students will learn some basic vocabulary and work on comprehending and communicating.</p> <p>This course is year-long paired with an Indigenous-focused ADST block.</p> <p>Students may continue their learning in senior high.</p>	<p>This course develops intermediate language skills for students coming out of the French Immersion or Francophone programs.</p> <p>It is combined with a French 9 class and allows students to continue into Core French 10 in Grade 9.</p>

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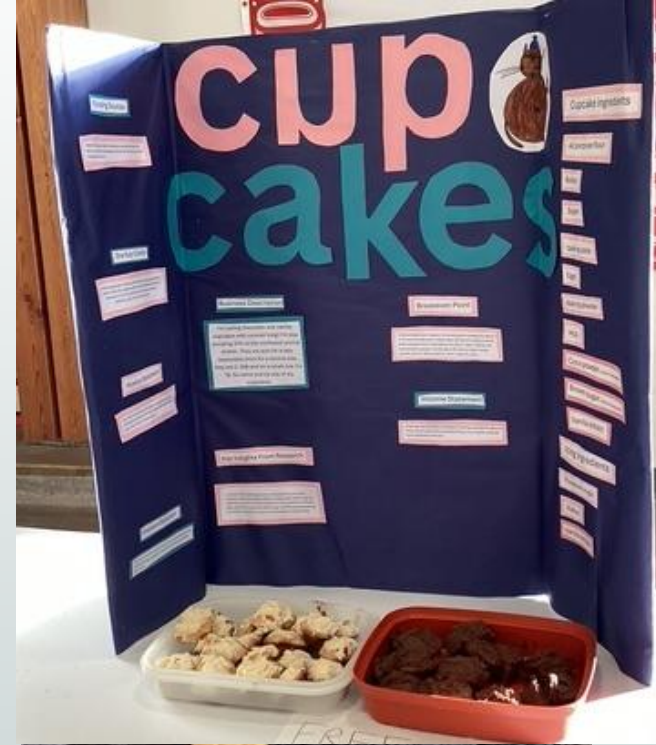
ADST - ART & DESIGN IN ACTION

- This course brings together art and ADST through hands-on learning. Students explore materials and develop skills that allow them to shape, combine, and create with purpose.



ADST - EXPLORE, DESIGN & BUILD

- This hands-on ADST course invites students to design, experiment, and make while learning practical skills they can apply in many areas. Students explore different materials, tools, and technologies as they turn ideas into finished work.



ADST - OUTDOOR PURSUITS 8/9

- Students will engage in classroom learning and outdoor practice to build competency in areas such as hiking, navigation, outdoor cooking, first aid basics, team-based challenges, shelter concepts (modified for site/school safety), and seasonal recreation opportunities.



ADST-Props, Effects and Costumes 8/9

Have you ever wanted to design your own Halloween costume? Have you wondered how great tv shows and movies create the worlds on screen?

Students will have the chance to explore lighting, sound, and various design elements (costumes, makeup, props).

Students will leave this course with the understanding, appreciation, and experience of the designer's role and their place in creating a world both on stage and off.



ADST- TEXTILES

- Textiles is a creative hands-on course where students learn foundational sewing skills, explore natural and manufactured fibres, and apply the design process to create textile projects that respond to user needs.





CONCERT BAND 8/9

Previous band or private lesson experience required, or the permission of Mr. Daviel (jordan.daviel@sd54.bc.ca).

Concert Band members will study instrument techniques and musical literacy and expression in an ensemble setting. Band members will have opportunities to perform at concerts and travel to a music festival in spring.





CONCERT CHOIR 8

Choir members will learn proper breathing and vocal techniques, varied musical performance styles, music literacy, and how to sing independent harmonies.

The choir will headline its own concerts with opportunities for solo and small ensemble performances. The choir is well known for its annual formal winter concert.

GUITAR 8

Guitar class is available to any SSS students and is especially for those new to guitar.

In this class we will focus on essential guitar skills such as reading tablature, and playing chords.

We will also introduce students to drums, bass and keyboard. Guitar class is a prerequisite for Rock Band class.





DRAMA 8

- Drama 8 is a semester long course which examines both creative drama and theatre skills.

- No previous drama experience is required.

Focus will be on basic acting techniques :

- including movement,
- developing vocal and physical skills
- as well as building theatre terminology.

Students will have the opportunity to work on original scene work, scripted scenes and improvisation skills.