# **WELCOME TO SUMMER SCHOOL 2023**

# WHAT ARE THE SUMMER SCHOOL DATES AND TIMES?

All WRDSB Summer School courses will run from July 4th through to the 28th. Students are expected to be engaging in learning from 8:30am am to 3:30 pm each day. Asynchronous learners should expect 5-6 hours a day and may organize their day to suit their needs. In person learners will have a regular school day with a lunch break in the middle.

# HOW WILL I FIND OUT MORE ABOUT MY TEACHER AND MY CLASS?

Please be sure to check your WRDSB email regularly for information regarding summer school. It is likely you will not receive much information until late June or shortly prior to the start of the class. We appreciate your patience!

## WHERE WILL MY ONLINE PLATFORM BE LOCATED?

Classes will run through the WRDSB Virtual Learning Platform D2L Brightspace. HERE is a link to the access point: <a href="https://wrdsb.elearningontario.ca">https://wrdsb.elearningontario.ca</a>. You will use your school Email and Password for access. You will see a widget that says "My Courses".

If you are registered in a WRDSB course, you will see it there. If your summer school class is with another school board, after logging in at the link above, scroll down a little to the widget "My Courses in Other Orgs" and you should see a link to your class there. A good idea is to practice navigating this platform and going through the Orientation if you have a spare moment: VLE Student Orientation

# IF I AM STRUGGLING WITH ACCESSING THE COURSE, WHO CAN I GO TO FOR HELP?

The first thing to do is troubleshoot and ensure you have done the orientation, as most questions should be answered there. Once you receive info about your classroom teacher, please send them an email and ask for help. Lastly, there will be a Supervisor and Assistant Supervisor of summer school who could also assist.

## I AM ATTENDING IN PERSON. WHAT SHOULD I EXPECT?

In person learners will be attending classes at HURON HEIGHTS S.S. in Kitchener. A bus will be provided that picks you up at your home school and drops you back off at the end of the day. You will receive more information about bussing soon! At Huron, you will be directed to your classroom and will spend the day there learning your course material with your classmates. There will be a lunch break, so please bring lunch. Your school hours will also be 8:30-3:30. Your teachers look forward to meeting you in person!

# IF I AM STRUGGLING WITH THE COURSE MATERIAL. WHO CAN I GO TO FOR HELP?

Do not worry!!! Your summer school staff is available to help just like regular school. Send a private email to your teacher and ask to have a chat or 1:1 google meet. Your teacher will be aware of any extra support that can be offered. Always ask if you need help!!!

#### I HAVE AN IEP. HOW WILL IT WORK IN SUMMER SCHOOL?

Students with an IEP should communicate early with their classroom teacher. All students will be supported in order to be successful in their courses! You will have a Special Education Resource Teacher who will be connected with your class. That teacher will also get in touch through email and will be available to help you manage your IEP needs.

# IF I HAVE AN ISSUE WITH MY CHROMEBOOK, WHAT STEPS SHOULD I TAKE?

First, try to troubleshoot using this amazing resource for our WRDSB students: <a href="https://tech.wrdsb.ca/">https://tech.wrdsb.ca/</a> If you cannot solve the problem using this resource, please email your Summer School teacher for assistance. They will put you in touch with Summer IT support.

#### WILL THERE BE EXAMS AT SUMMER SCHOOL?

No, there will not be any exams. Your teachers will look at products, observations and conversations when determining your mark. Products are the tasks and assessments you submit, observations are your involvement in the class and conversations are showing what you know through chatting with your teacher. All of these can be used to determine a grade.

## WHEN WILL I RECEIVE MY REPORT CARD AND FINAL GRADE?

Your classroom teacher will provide grade updates throughout the course and at the end. Report cards take time to be generated and usually arrive at the end of summer via mail.

# WHERE CAN I LOOK FOR INFORMATION IN THE SUMMER?

Please continue to check the <u>WRDSB summer school</u> website for info and updates. This link provides our Summer School phone number and contact emails. You may call with attendance information or the ability to connect with a Supervisor if needed.

#### MY COURSE IS WITH A SCHOOL BOARD THAT IS NOT WRDSB? HOW WILL MINE WORK?

You will still receive info and updates through your WRDSB email as that is the one used for enrolment. As well, you will use the same Virtual Learning Environment as the one mentioned above. Use the "My Courses in other Orgs" widget on the Brightspace homepage to see your summer class.

OTHER SCHOOL BOARDS MAY HAVE A DIFFERENT SCHEDULE. If you are concerned, you are recommended to do a quick internet search for the specific school board and summer school, where the info should be readily available. Hope this helps! Continue to monitor your school email regularly.

#### WHAT IF I NEED BUSING FOR SUMMER SCHOOL?

If you require busing for in person learning, please go to the Summer School busing schedule.

# **BEST OF LUCK WITH SUMMER SCHOOL!**

