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## GRADE 8 INFORMATION 2018 - 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians:

My name is Catherine Andrews. I am a grade 7 and 8 Guidance Counselor, which is a new role this year for Upper Grand District School Board. I work with students and teachers in the classroom in my assigned schools: **Jean Little, Sir Issac Brock, Rickson Ridge, Aberfoyle, Kortright Hills and Westminster Woods.** I also work closely with Centennial Collegiate Vocational Institute, College Heights Secondary School and the ESL department at John F. Ross Collegiate Vocational Institute and Guelph Collegiate Vocational Institute, for students attending the IB program. Our goal as Guidance Teachers, is to support students in pathway planning, to bring an awareness of opportunities to all students, while supporting them as they transition from grade 8 to grade 9.

Please feel free to email me or your child's homeroom teacher if you have specific questions regarding high school, transitions or pathway planning.

My email is [Catherine.Andrews@ugdsb.on.ca](mailto:Catherine.Andrews@ugdsb.on.ca)

### Open House:

All grade 8 students and their parents/guardians are invited to the high schools for a detailed information night and tours. Parents and students will learn more about rotary schedules, course selections, events, clubs, sports teams and high school life.

### Please note the following dates:

**January 10, 2019 (starts at 6:30 p.m.) Open House at College Heights Secondary School**  
**Friday, February 8, 2019 - College Heights Secondary School Course Selections Due in myblueprint**

**February 7th, 2019 (starts at 7:00 p.m.) Open house at Centennial Collegiate Vocational School**

**Thursday, February 21st, 2019 -Centennial Collegiate School Course Selections Due in myblueprint**

**Students will receive a paper copy of the course selection sheet to bring home. Students will then complete course selections with support, during class time in order to complete the digital component of myblueprint.**