



All Edmonton Public School junior high students study English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Health and Physical Education. In addition, they take a second language course (French or Mandarin) or if they have a grade of “C” in either English Language Arts or Mathematics at the grade 6 level, the student may be enrolled in Extra English Language Arts and/or Extra Mathematics.

To complete the rest of their schedules students must be enrolled in a full year course such as (Art, Drama or Band) and 2 other trimester courses **or** take 5 trimester courses with no full year. Provided below are some student example schedules:

| Student A-<br>Example Schedule                       | Student B-<br>Example Schedule                                                                                                                                                     | Student C-<br>Example Schedule                                      |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| English Language Arts                                | English Language Arts                                                                                                                                                              | English Language Arts                                               |
| Mathematics                                          | Mathematics                                                                                                                                                                        | Mathematics                                                         |
| Science                                              | Science                                                                                                                                                                            | Science                                                             |
| Social Studies                                       | Social Studies                                                                                                                                                                     | Social Studies                                                      |
| Physical Education                                   | Physical Education                                                                                                                                                                 | Physical Education                                                  |
| Health (Trimester 1)                                 | Health (Trimester 2)                                                                                                                                                               | Health (Trimester 3)                                                |
| Mandarin                                             | French                                                                                                                                                                             | Extra English Language Arts                                         |
| Art (Full Year)                                      | Drama (Trimester 1)<br>Construction (Trimester 1)<br>Innovation and Venture (Trimester 2)<br>Environment and Outdoor Education (Trimester 3)<br>Visual Communication (Trimester 3) | Outdoor Education (Full Year)                                       |
| Foods (Trimester 2)<br>Learning to Lead (Trimester3) |                                                                                                                                                                                    | Business Venture (Trimester 1)<br>Exploration of Film (Trimester 2) |

Londonderry Junior High School strives to provide diverse programming for all of its students however, some courses are **tentative** and may be tailored to a full year, trimester or **may not be offered** as these classes are scheduled based upon enrolment and program capacity. Some of these options have **option fees** which serve to provide enriched opportunities for students to participate in ‘out of school’ activities, special projects or additional lab experiences.

**Please read the following course descriptions:**

**Art (Trimester- Fee \$20, Full Year- Fee \$65)**

The art program is designed to provide students with an opportunity to explore a variety of media. Students will develop an understanding of the elements and principles of design while participating in projects which include drawing, painting, and sculpture. Historical knowledge of artistic development as well as cultural links will be tied into the program. New and modern trends will be emphasized while incorporating digital technology. Representational, abstract and conceptual design will be studied both individually and in a co-operative learning environment. Students are required to provide basic supplies such as pencils, pencil crayons, sharpies, and rulers. Any additional supplies will be covered in the course fee.

**Band (Full Year- Fee \$65 Instrument Rental \$25)**

Grade nine band is open to all students, but new students who are not proficient at reading notes will find the course difficult. Music performed in grade nine is progressively challenging – the fun and satisfaction comes from being able to perform together as an ensemble. The students continue with

the instrument they played in grade eight, but are encouraged to try different instruments as well. All students learn percussion (drum) rudiments as well. Students will also have the opportunity to join our extra-curricular jazz band.

### **Drama (Full Year- Fee \$75)**

This course is for the serious and passionate drama student. Students will continue working with the dramatic process, and will create and perform major projects including, script work, storytelling, playwriting, lip sync battles, improvisation, and collective creation. The course will have a film component in which students will study filmmaking techniques and write and create a short film. Students will also have the opportunity to attend a live theatre performance and full year students will have workshops with guest artists throughout the year.

### **Environment and Outdoor Education (Full Year- Fee \$135 + field trip fees)**

This course is designed for the student passionate about the outdoors. The class will complete the Alberta Hunter and Conservation Course and will write the Provincial Exam. Successful students will qualify to receive their W.I.N. card. They will also study the forest industry and possible career paths, wilderness survival skills, risk assessment in the outdoors, firearms safety, minimal impact camping and an individual research project. Activities include indoor rock climbing, archery, building pop can stoves, a three day fall/winter survival camp (survival skills, clay pigeon shooting and small bore riflery) and a three day hiking, lake/ river canoeing trip in the Rocky Mountain House area. Extra Trips may be planned with additional costs.

### **Learning to Lead (Full Year)- Fee \$75**

This course is designed to help maximize and challenge students in many areas related to leadership and citizenship. Students will need positive social skills to interact with each other and with students of all grades. They will be required to work cooperatively with fellow students and teachers. Students must be able to represent themselves, the class and the school positively.

## **Trimester Course Offerings:**

### **Excellence in Archery- Fee \$40**

This course is for anyone interested in becoming a better archer. This course will cover the history of archery, including an introduction to N.A.S.P. (the National Archery in Schools Program). Students will learn about various styles of archery, bow and arrow components, how to improve accuracy, and bow and arrow maintenance. Most importantly, students will get substantial time on the range shooting their bows.

### **Business Venture- Fee \$35**

In this exciting class students will learn how to build resumes, business plans, budgets as well as look at the stock market and learn financial literacy. Students will also be creating a company that sells a product or service, pitch the business plan, and create a logo, statement to be put on to a T-shirt or Mug.

### **Construction- Fee \$50**

In this course, the students will continue to develop basic power tool and production skills to safely transform common building materials into useful products. Construction fees cover the costs of higher quality project materials.

### **Drama (Trimester)- \$60**

Students will continue their study of acting, speech and movement in this course. Projects will include monologues, short scripts, mime, as well as storytelling and scriptwriting. Students will explore their creative side in more depth through the dramatic process. Students will have the opportunity to perform at public events such as Open House, assemblies and school productions as well as viewing play productions out of school.

### **Exploration of Film- Fee \$0**

This course introduces students to the basics of film analysis, cinematic elements and genre. Students have the opportunity to explore a variety of film techniques including sound design, lighting and colour and create a stop motion animation project.

### **Environmental and Outdoor Education (Trimester)- Fee \$85**

Students will study, in detail, Alberta wildlife, identification techniques and habitat. They will also complete the Alberta Fishing Education Program and will be able to achieve provincial certification. Other areas of study will be outdoor skills and knowledge such as fire building, outdoor equipment, clothing, menu planning, animal safety and basic camping skills. Activities include; archery, indoor rock climbing.

### **Fashion- Fee \$35**

Students develop further understanding of how to safely use and care for sewing machines and pressing equipment and apply these skills in project assembly. They will learn how to hand sew using different stitches and completing a variety of projects. Students will then move onto sewing machines where they will work with a variety of patterns and projects. Students apply basic hand sewing techniques, safe use and care for sewing machines and pressing equipment. This program provides a well-rounded education in sewing, offering a mix of fundamental skills, practical applications, and opportunities for creative expression. Fees collected cover all fabric and sewing notions required for project completion. No previous sewing experience necessary.

### **Foods- Fee \$55**

Would you like to continue to refine your knife skills, use the stove confidently, and expand your kitchen skills? Are you already an accomplished young cook and maybe a future chef? Or do you just like to try new foods and eat what you make? These are some of the reasons students choose Foods Studies as one of their options. Grade 9 students will review home safety and basic first aid, learn about food safety, care in handling food, effective use of tools, and modifying and following recipes all while working cooperatively in a group to produce some delicious products. Students will also be presented with small or large challenge projects where they get to show their food preferences, creativity, and cooking talents.

### **Guitar- \$35**

Previous experience is not a prerequisite. Students will have fun learning basic notes and chords, starting with simple melodies, and progressing to more complex works. Although guitars will be available to rent, students who own guitars are encouraged to bring their own.

### **Innovation and Venture (Discover Science)- Fee \$30**

In this course, students will learn lab safety, lab procedures, and circuit skills. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in a coding project, numerous exciting chemical reactions, as well as dissections. So, grab those safety goggles and lab coats! Course fees cover additional lab experiences and potential field trips.

### **Visual Communications- Fee \$30**

In Visual Communication, students continue to develop skills in the areas of business, communication, human services, resources, and technology through engaging challenges that use a wide variety of software (ie. Cinema 4D, Mudbox, Photoshop). You should be an independent and self-motivated learner to sign up for full year. Students will also be exploring website building utilizing HTML (Hyper Text Markup Language).

**Note: The optional fees associated with some of the complementary courses will provide enriched opportunities for students to participate in ‘out of school’ activities, special projects or additional lab experiences. Fees subject to change.**