



O C D S B

February 2017

B e n g a l T a l e s

Principal: Ms. Wendy Verreault

Superintendent: Mr. Frank Wiley

Trustee: Donna Blackburn

UPCOMING DATES

- ◆ **16 Feb** Festival Music Concert
- ◆ **17 Feb** PD Day for teachers No Classes
- ◆ **20 Feb** FAMILY DAY
- ◆ **21 Feb** Toonie Tuesday
- ◆ **22 Feb** Day of PINK
- ◆ **24 Feb** Black History Assembly
- ◆ **6-10 Mar** OSSLT prep for all Gr 10 students
- ◆ **7 Mar** Progress Reports issued
- ◆ **13-17 March** Break
- ◆ **21 Mar** School Council
- ◆ **30 Mar** OSSLT Gr 10
- ◆ **30 Mar** Parent /teacher Interviews
- ◆ **6-8 Apr** School Play: *Midsummer Nights' Jersey*
- ◆ **14-17Apr** Easter Weekend
- ◆ **Apr 21** Multicultural Luncheon
- ◆ **Apr 25-28** Music Trip Halifax
- ◆ **26 Apr** Mid Term Reports Issued

Principal's Message

Welcome to Semester 2!


Semester 2 Progress Reports will be issued on March 7th at 3:00 pm. Included will be a form for parents or guardians to book a Parent/Teacher interview for Thursday, March 30th . Should your student require additional math help, please consider MOB. "Math Opportunities at Borden" is available after school Monday to Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 pm in room 245. Teachers and students are there to help with any grade or level of math.

A request made by parents or students to leave before the end of the school year cannot be approved. This includes requests for early departure for summer employment, summer camps, trainings, competitions and travel arrangements. Evaluations of student achievement require that all students remain in classes until the course is completed and that includes the completion of all summative evaluations according to the schedule established by SRB and the Ottawa Carleton District School Board. Semester 2 exams for periods 1, 2, 3, 4 will be scheduled from June 20th to 23rd, 2017 respectively. We thank you for honouring these time periods.

For our graduating students, College and/or University applications have now been submitted and the school has sent in Semester 1 final marks to OUAC and OCAS. I encourage you to be diligent and attend all your classes and complete all assignments. Many of those early offers of admissions will be dependent on maintaining your grades. We are fortunate to have caring staff who offer considerable support to ensure that all students can achieve academic success. Enjoy being at this great school with your friends, participating in all the various school activities.

Thank you to all students and families for their continued support of SRB.

Kind regards,
Wendy Verreault Principal @ SRB



SHOW DATES

April 6-8

7PM

Auditorium

613-829-5320

SRBattendance@ocdsb.ca

@ SRB_news

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Sir Robert Borden High School



Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)

Look what Borden has to offer you! Exciting opportunities at your fingertips.

Health and Wellness Sector
*Nutrition and Human
Performance (Tentative 2017)*

Specialist High Skills Major
Health & Wellness

We are excited to be offering a new SHSM program at SRB. This SHSM will give students an opportunity to work with local business, create job prospects ranging from healthcare to fitness and health promotion, to child care and family services. Graduates of the Specialist High Skills Major Program in **Health and Wellness** possess the knowledge and skills to pursue any number of these opportunities.

Requirements:

A bundle of 9 credits in grade 11 and 12.

Four health and wellness major credits that provide sector-specific knowledge and skills.

Three other required credits one in English; one in mathematics; and one in science or social sciences and humanities

Two cooperative education credits that provide authentic learning experiences in a workplace setting, enabling students to refine, extend, apply, and practise sector-specific knowledge and skills. (Can be taken in the Summer between grade 10 and 11)

Lead Teacher: Ms Lillico
sandra.lillico@ocdsb.ca

Justice, Community Safety and Emergency Services Sector 911
Specialist/Emergency Services

Specialist High Skills Major
Justice, Community Safety, & Emergency Services

The 9-1-1 specialist SHSM allows students to explore career goals and experience specialized training, with a focus on law, police, firefighting, paramedicine, the military, private security, and correctional services.

There is some academic material, but also field trips, guest speakers, practical certifications, work tailored experience, and weekly fitness sessions.

Requirements:

A bundle of 8 courses in grade 11 and 12.

Four Justice, Community Safety and Emergency Services major credits that provide sector-specific knowledge and skills.

Two other required credits one in English; one in mathematics

Two cooperative education credits that provide authentic learning experiences in a workplace setting, enabling students to refine, extend, apply, and practise sector-specific knowledge and skills. (Can be taken in the Summer between grade 10 and 11)

Lead Teacher: Mr. Snyder
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Construction Sector
Architecture, Interior Design and Engineering

Specialist High Skills Major
Construction

Our Architecture SHSM develops the necessary skills which allow students to enter post-secondary pathways in Architecture, Construction, Interior Design, Landscape Design, Industrial Design and Engineering with great confidence. In class we focus on fundamentals, but also visit large construction projects, factory home construction, and post-secondary institutions. Students also gain 7 safety certifications.

Requirements:

A bundle of 10 credits in grade 11 & 12.

Four Architecture and Technology Design credits that provide sector-specific knowledge and skills. **Four other required credits** one in English; two in mathematics, one in science, business or art.

Two cooperative education credits that provide authentic learning experiences in a workplace setting, enabling students to refine, extend, apply, and practise sector-specific knowledge and skills. (Can be taken in the Summer between grade 11 and 12)

Lead Teacher: Mr. Green
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What is a SHSM?

A SHSM is a ministry-approved specialized program that allows students to focus their learning on a specific sector while meeting the requirements to graduate from secondary school. These programs assist students in gaining career specific skills and knowledge to help them with the transition to postsecondary, workplace or training for future careers.

Students get to customize their high school experience, explore new ways of learning and get a 'leg up' to their post-secondary destination of choice (apprenticeship, college, university or the workplace).

Learn how your child can take advantage of these vibrant and exciting programs by contacting the guidance department or the lead teacher for the SHSM offered at SRB.



How Does a SHSM Work?

Students take a bundle of credits associated with their SHSM. Including English, math, science/social science and a co-op placement.

What are the Benefits of a SHSM?

- Customize their secondary school education to suit their interests and talents.
- Earn credits that postsecondary educational institutions and the sector recognize.
- Gain sector-recognized certification and career-relevant training.
- Identify, explore and refine career goals and make informed decisions about their future.
- Remain flexible, with the option to shift between pathways, should their goals and plans change.

Students At work in the SHSM's Here at SRB - *(Do you guys have a picture of your students at Work)*

Health and Wellness Sector
Nutrition and Human Performance



**Justice, Community Safety and
Emergency Services Sector**
*911 Specialist/Emergency
Services*



Construction Sector
*Architecture, Interior Design and
Engineering*



Special Education

SRB Extended Time Policy for students with IEPs and English Language Learners.

Classroom Tests: Time and a half is available for students whose IEP states extended time as an assessment accommodation and all students who meet the English Language Learner (ELL) criteria. For example: If your test is 50 minutes in length, your extended time will be 75 minutes total. Expect to see this on your tests: Test Length = ____ Minutes

If your test length is not indicated, please self advocate by asking your teachers so that you can budget your time accordingly.

Exams: Time and a half is provided for ELL students and those with IEPs (with the exception of EQAO math and the OSSLT for which up to double time is provided to students whose IEP states extended time).

Special Education Programs and News

Learning Disabilities Program

- ◆ Specialized program referrals are due at the sending schools by March 1st.
- ◆ 4 cohorts of 8 students who are partially integrated

Autism Spectrum Disorder Program

- ◆ Specialized Program referrals are due at the sending schools by March 1st.
- ◆ 2 programs of 6 students learning a variety of skills both academic and functional through the use of alternative assessments.

GLE Learning Strategies

- ◆ Elective Course teaching students a variety of meta cognitive processes to enhance their lifelong learning.



News from Guidance



Grade assemblies were held in early February to explain the **Course Selection Process** to all students, and the grade specific presentations will be posted on the school web site for students and parents to review. Students will use the Course Planner feature in Career Cruising. Students were provided with an instruction sheet and a password in order to log on to the online system. The instructions are also available on the web site. Students are encouraged to change their password and enter an email address so they can use the “Forgot Password” feature. In order to view all course offerings and descriptions, please consult the Secondary Course Information Guide that is posted on the OCDSB web site at www.ocdsb.ca. The **Course Request Verification Sheets are due back by February 22nd**. Students are encouraged to make appointments with their Guidance Counsellor to discuss their course selections; however counsellors may only be able to meet with students after the Feb 22nd deadline. Course preferences will be given to students who return the signed contract by Feb 22, 2017. If a Grade 12 student intends to return to SRB to upgrade, please fill out a course contract with their guidance counsellor.

University / College Update: Following submission of mid-term grades to the OUAC & OCAS, students will receive conditional offers from post-secondary institutions. It is important that students read the offers carefully because they are **conditional**.

Algonquin College Dual Credit Courses allow high school students to enroll in college courses and gain valuable experience before transitioning to post secondary education. Opportunities include trade and apprenticeship training and college courses from various programs. These opportunities allow a student to earn a high school and college credit simultaneously. If you are interested in applying for a Dual Credit Course, stop by to see your Guidance Counsellor in March.

Summer School registration begins in April! Course offerings will be available in guidance and also at www.ocdsb.ca/continuwweb. See guidance to register. Many Reach Ahead & Make Up courses will be running. There are also opportunities for CO-OP, SHSM requirements and Online.