



St. Clair Catholic  
District School Board



## Enclosure 7

# St. Clair Summer Learning Opportunities 2020-2021

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## Background

For the second year, St. Clair offered virtual summer learning opportunities for elementary students. Camp was a joint endeavour which included curriculum, special education and student support team staff joining together to plan and implement a supportive, inclusive summer learning experience. Our multidisciplinary teams included 2 teachers, 1 child and youth worker/social worker, and 1 educational assistant in each cabin. Funding for the camp was provided through a variety of sources including CODE Summer Learning grant, Special education and Mental Health and Wellbeing funding and Ministry funding to support destreaming grade 9 mathematics.

## Elementary Summer School 2021

In elementary, we offered opportunities for early years to grade 8. See the chart below:

Camp Focus	No. of Students
KinderCamp - Instructed by Registered Early Childhood Educators Parents signed up for two 20-minute sessions per week focused on early literacy skills	60
English Language Learners (ELL - Literacy Focus)	6 (1 cabin)

English Programming (Math and Literacy) Grade 1/2 Grade 3/4 Grade 5/6	46 (3 cabins) 38 (2 cabins) 32 (2 cabins)
French Immersion Programming (Literacy) Grade 1-4	22 (2 cabins)
Makers, Math & More (Math & Pathways) Grade 7/8	19 (1 cabin)
Total Number of Elementary Students	223 (10 cabins)

Students engaged in camp July 5th through 23th from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. daily. Using a synchronous model of instruction, staff and students came together in a Google Meet each morning. Students benefited from a multidisciplinary approach that supported both their wellbeing and learning needs.

Staff had the opportunity to connect and learn new skills from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. on a daily basis. A variety of digital applications including Flipgrid, Jamboard, Bitmoji classroom, Interactive Google Slides and G Suite tools were employed to offer students an opportunity to share their thinking in both written and audio form.

## Secondary Summer School 2021

Summer school was entirely online again last July and August. Students were offered: Courses taught by SCCDSB teachers; Dual Credit Courses at both St Clair and Lambton Colleges; Co-op courses with in-person placements; and External elearning courses with a Catholic Consortium and the “mixed” consortium.

Summer School	No. of Students
Internal elearning - SCCDSB Teachers	

ENG4U0 - Grade 12 English University Preparation	13
ENG3U0 - Grade 11 English University Preparation	21
GLC200 - Grade 10 Careers Studies Open	43
CHV200 - Grade 10 Civics Open	46
Summer Dual Credits at St Clair and Lambton Colleges (Virtual)	6
Summer Co-op (Two Credit Co-op)	40
External elearning - Taught by Teachers from other boards	
Catholic Consortium (July)	32
Mixed Consortium (July)	91
Mixed Consortium (August)	10
Total Credits achieved by SCCDSB student Summer 2021	238

## Transition To Secondary School Initiatives

### Head Start Summer 2021

The goals of the Head Start Program are:

To provide students an opportunity to have a smooth transition into secondary school

To introduce the students to teachers they will encounter in their Grade 9 year

To introduce courses in various pathways that are available to students in their Secondary school.

Head Start was originally offered to students who were enrolled in Grade 9 Applied Mathematics courses in the Spring of their Grade 8 year. This year with the advent of destreaming in Mathematics courses, all students entering an SCCDSB Secondary school were invited to attend the three-day event offered at UCC and St. Patrick's, Aug 24-26th.

A typical Head Start day began at 8:30AM with 90 min of engaging Numeracy Activities, followed by a snack break. The next sessions included 2-1 hour "Elective Programming" where students engaged in hands-on activities in Physical Education, Arts, Computer Programming, Culinary Arts and Skills and Technology and more.

Head Start 2021	No. of Participants
Grade 9 students	280
Secondary Staff	42 + School Admin

### Caring Adult Phone Calls

SCCDSB staff connected with students and families during July 2021 by phone. The purpose of the phone calls were to ease the transition to secondary, and to be a connection for students to voice concerns and ask questions.

Student Success Teachers, The SCCDSB Special Education Consultant, The SCCDSB Indigenous Lead, Social Workers and Child and Youth Workers connected with students and Families in July.

Caring Adult Phone Calls	No. of Participants
Grade 9 students	604
Staff	16+

### Link Day

Link Day is an orientation event that happens in late August. All incoming Grade 9s are invited to join by a pair of senior student leaders, who follow a small group of students through the school year. Link Day includes activities designed to welcome students and orient them to the school.

Link Day 2021	No. of Participants
Grade 9 students	590
Leaders	140
Staff	10

## Recommendations

That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board receive the report: *St. Clair Summer Learning Opportunities 2020-2021* for information.