



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The “Arts Nipissing at West Ferris” program will provide students who have an interest and talent in the Arts an opportunity to complete their high school graduation requirements along with an opportunity to study in-depth, one of the six Arts disciplines:

- DANCE
- VISUAL ARTS
- VOCAL MUSIC
- DRAMATIC ARTS
- MEDIA ARTS/FILM AND VIDEO
- INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

WHO CAN GET INVOLVED?

- ✓ Any student within the **Near North District School Board** jurisdiction is eligible to register in the Arts Nipissing Program.
- ✓ Open to any student interested in pursuing an artistic career or one who simply appreciates the arts in their life.
- ✓ Students should achieve and maintain an average of 70% or greater in their chosen arts major subject to continue in the Arts Nipissing Program.

PROGRAMS OFFERED

- Performing Arts
Dance, Drama, Instrumental and Vocal Music
- Fine Arts
Visual Arts, Media, Film and Video

*Note, busing is provided for all students that successfully enter this Arts Nipissing program at West Ferris Intermediate & Secondary School.



YEAR ONE: EXPLORATION

- The emphasis during this year will be placed on student exploration.
- Grade 9 Arts Nipissing students will enroll in a minimum of ONE art course.
- At the end of Grade 9, students must choose, with the counsel of their teachers and parents, ONE of the six Arts disciplines as a MAJOR area of study.

English	Mathematics	Science	Canadian Geography	Core French or Optional Credit	Healthy Active Living*	Optional Credit	Arts Nipissing Credit
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YEARS 2-4: RECOMMENDATION FOR PLACEMENT

- The emphasis during years 2 - 4 will be placed on the development of proficiency in the declared subject major.
- In order to continue in your major in Grades 10, 11, and 12, you must achieve a minimum of 70% in your declared major area of focus.
- If you are attending the Arts Nipissing program through out of zone bussing, and you do not maintain a 70% in your declared major, you will be asked to return to your zoned school.

TRANSITION PATHWAYS

- Consideration for late entry into the Arts Nipissing program will take place through an application process and/or discussion with administration and guidance personnel.
- Arts Nipissing Track
 - 7 credits (Current Track)
 - 5 credits (Late entry - Graduating 2022)



THE ARTS NIPISSING CERTIFICATE

- The late entry Arts Nipissing Certificate will be granted to students that have achieved a minimum of **FOUR** or **FIVE** Arts Nipissing credits, including a minimum of TWO senior major/focus credits with an average of 70% or greater.
- The Arts Nipissing Certificate will be granted to students that have achieved a minimum of **SEVEN** Arts Nipissing credits, including **FOUR** senior major/focus credits with an average of 70% or greater.