

# Welcome to the 2017-2018 school year!

TUESDAY  
SEPTEMBER

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First day of school

All school offices will be open starting Tuesday, August 29 to assist you with questions about the first day of school.

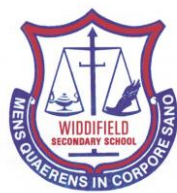


## Widdifield Secondary School

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Welcome Wildcats! On opening day, Tuesday, September 6 all students should be ready to attend their classes with pens and notebooks. Grade 9 students will meet in the Theatre at 8:50 a.m. and will be directed to their new homerooms at that time. Link Crew Leaders will be available to assist students all day.

Period One will begin at the regular time of 8:50 a.m. Grade 10-12 students should obtain their Period One class information from the lists in the glass hallway. Buses will depart at the normal time on opening day.

Students who live in the Widdifield area as well as students who are enrolling in the Arts Nipissing program qualify to register. Registration days are August 22, 23 and 24. Please call the school at 705-472-5711 to make an appointment.

New students must bring a transcript from their previous school. Students new to Ontario must provide documentation (i.e. Birth Certificate).

A special Orientation for Grade 9's with our Link Crew will be held on Wednesday, August 30 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Gymnasium. All Grade 9 students will be linked with a senior student team to take part in team building activities, tour the school, answer questions, find their locker and meet the teachers. A BBQ lunch will be provided in the Courtyard at 1:00 p.m. Parents/guardians are invited to attend a question and answer session in the Conference Room starting at 9:15 a.m. Students are responsible for their own transportation.

Widdifield is proud of its partnership with parents/guardians and encourages parents/guardians to serve on the School Advisory Council. Interested parents/guardians are invited to the first meeting on September 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

### BUS INFORMATION

**Bell Times: 8:45 a.m. - 3:05 p.m.**

Due to the dynamic nature of student transportation, school transportation routes may change from year to year, including route numbers, stop locations and times of service. Parents/guardians are responsible for verifying the details for their children, available as of now.

[Click here](#) to open a student login session. For Student ID, enter the Ontario Education Number (OEN) located on the student's report card (no spaces or dashes). For your home address enter the Street Number only (address without street name or apartment number) and select school and grade from the drop down menu (letters indicate program i.e. F=French Immersion)

After logging in, the route numbers, stop locations and times of service for that student will appear. If the student is within walking distance to their school, walking directions will be provided (though you may prefer another route).

To reach the Nipissing Parry Sound Student Transportation Services, please call 705-472-8840, write to [info@npssts.ca](mailto:info@npssts.ca), or use the "Write to Us" feature on their contact page. They will be available to take your telephone calls from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. until the start of the school year.

