

Welcome to LA Matheson Secondary School
Grade 7 Parent Night 2023



Supplies List for Grade 8

Students should have:

- *3 – 2-inch binders (one for Humanities, one for MASC, one for French and electives)*
- *Binder dividers (one package for each binder)*
- *Pens – blue and black*
- *Pencils*
- *Eraser*
- *Highlighters – a four pack of different colours*
- *Lined Paper – 3-4 packages for throughout the year*
- *Pencil crayons/felt pens*
- *Scientific calculator (you can't use your phone on quizzes/tests)*

■ For Physical Health Education:

– *Gym strip*

- *A change of clothes that you can easily move around in. Shorts/track pants, and a t- shirt*
- *Running shoes*
- *Deodorant – you will need this for after class.*

■ Other “good to have” item

– *Refillable water bottle*

**** Individual teachers may have other requests ****

Contact Information

Please ensure that your contact information (phone number and email address) is up-to-date with your elementary school. Communications about the beginning of the school year will be communicated with families through the email listed in MyEdBC. You can check your contact information with the clerk at your elementary school.

Families and caregivers are also encouraged to download the school app for their phones. It can be found by searching the app store for “Matheson Mustangs”. The app has a calendar, a list of teacher contact information and will post alerts and reminders throughout the year.

Updates about the beginning of the school year will also be posted on the school website:

<https://www.surreyschools.ca/lamath>

Families and Caregivers can expect to receive information about school start-up the last week of August, with the first day of school being September, 5th 2023.

Grade 8 students generally attend school for a half day on the first day of school.

General Information

Student Fees

Student fees can be paid online through School Cash Online (link on school website) or in-person at the school office before and after school.

Lockers

Grade 8 students are able to sign-up for a locker after they have paid their students fees in September. Specific directions will be provided to students in their homerooms in September.

Reporting an Absence or Late Arrival

If your child will be away or arriving late, please call the main office at 604-588-3418 or email at lamatheson@surreyschools.ca with your child's first name, last name, student number, grade and reason for their absence.

Extended Absences

Extended absences for any reasons are strongly discouraged due to the impact they have on student learning. Student's will be responsible for making up all missed learning upon their return.

Grade 8 Transitions Program

This summer program is open to all incoming Grade 7 students. It is designed to give students skills to be successful in the transition to high school. Students will learn study skills, take tours of the school, play games, and work on numeracy and literacy skills. We highly recommend that incoming grade 7s sign up for Transitions. Applications for the program are done through your elementary school.

