

Humanities 8

English Language Arts | Social Studies | Christian Education

Course Outline

Welcome to Notre Dame & Humanities 8!

Humanities is a unique course that blends English, Social Studies, and Christian Education into one learning experience for our Grade 8s.

In Humanities, we strive to educate the whole child. Our goal is to help students develop socially, intellectually, and spiritually so they grow into individuals who have confidence, values, and respect for others.

In alignment with the NEW BC curriculum, we will use the school year in unity with our skills and knowledge, to develop core and curricular competencies.

In Humanities, students will engage in deeper, life-long learning to develop their communication, creative/critical thinking, and personal/social skills.

Mark Breakdown

Because Humanities is a unique blend of English Language Arts, Social Studies, and Christian Education, the final mark is calculated based on skill development in the following areas:

5%	Independent Reading	10%	Creative and Reflective Writing
15%	Literary Analysis	15%	Formal Writing
5%	Writing Process	20%	Inquiry/Research
5%	Events of Significance	5%	Biblical/Historical Figures
5%	Geography	5%	Citizenship
10%	Oral Language		
		Total	100%

In order to successfully pass Humanities 8, students must not have an *incomplete* in any skill development.

Cell Phones, Technology, and Personal Devices

Cell phones will be collected at the beginning of class and returned before dismissal.

The use of all cell phones, technologies, and personal devices is at the sole discretion of the teacher. There is a progressive model of consequences for those students who are found using technologies inappropriately during class time.

School Supplies

- ✓ Paper: blank and lined
- ✓ Prayer Journal
- ✓ Pens (black, blue, red, coloured)
- ✓ Whiteout
- ✓ Pencils
- ✓ Erasers
- ✓ Pencil Crayons and/or markers
- ✓ Sharpeners
- ✓ Sticky Notes (various sizes)
- ✓ Silent Reading Novel
- ✓ Ruler (12 inches; 30 cm)
- ✓ 1.5" Binder
- ✓ Dividers (12)

"The more we let God take us over, the more truly ourselves we become - because He made us. He invented us. He invented all the different people that you and I were intended to be. It is when I turn to Christ, when I give up myself to His personality, that I first begin to have a real personality of my own."

— C.S. Lewis

God bless,

Mr. DiDonato