

February 26, 2013

Dear Grade 9 Parent/Guardian:

When students finish their grade 9 year at Landmark Collegiate, they have a one-time opportunity to switch to a technical or vocational program at the Steinbach Regional Secondary School. This means that students who wish to pursue a vocational education for their last three years of high school will have to transfer out of Landmark Collegiate at the end of grade 9 and start attending the SRSS in September of their grade 10 year. If your child has expressed an interest in investigating this opportunity, we would encourage you to become familiar with the programs available. An orientation tour will familiarize students with some of the program areas, and an information evening in Steinbach will provide an opportunity for parents to learn about them as well and to have an interactive question and answer session with SRSS administration.

The orientation process for this year is as follows:

March 1, 2013 – Deadline for students to return parental permission forms (below).

March 7, 2013 – Student tour and orientation session (leaving LCI at 12:20 pm, returning by 3 pm).

March 13, 2013 – Parent information sessions in the SRSS theatre at 6:30 pm.

March 20, 2013 – SRSS guidance counselor visits LCI to assist with registration. All applications, along with a caution fee of \$60, should be submitted to Ms. Reimer before spring break.

April 5, 2013 – Registration deadline

Please note a number of additional details:

- Due to overcapacity at the SRSS, only students entering a vocational or technical program in grade 10 will be allowed to transfer there. Students following an academic stream will remain at Landmark Collegiate.
- Hanover School Division will provide transportation to students entering vocational programs.
- There are finite deadlines for admission to the SRSS, and exceptions to those deadlines cannot be made.

If you would like to see more of the vocational programs offered, please check out the website: <http://srss.ca/departments/ve.php>.

A decision of this nature is an important one, and we would be happy to discuss it with you individually if that would be helpful. Please call if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Anne Reimer
Guidance Counsellor

Please fill out this portion and return it to the LCI Guidance Counsellor by March 1, 2013.

Name of Student: _____

I am interested in exploring the option of my child's transfer into a vocational or technical program at the SRSS for grade 10, and grant permission for him/her to attend the tour and orientation session on March 7, 2013. I understand that the tour is simply an exploration of the possibilities and not yet a commitment to transfer.

Parent/Guardian: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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