

# GET READY! for Secondary School

April 8, 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

We are very excited to invite your child to attend the “Get Ready for Secondary School” transition program at Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Secondary School. Students who completed this program in previous years have indicated that participating in the program made them feel more prepared and comfortable to start Secondary School.

“Get Ready!” is designed to provide a successful transition into their secondary program by providing them with an opportunity to review key concepts in literacy and numeracy, as well as introduce effective learning strategies and organizational skills. The program also consists of orientation to the secondary school including an overview of secondary programs, schedules, school layout and practices. As students will be participating from a number of feeder schools, this initiative will also allow our incoming Grade 9’s to establish connections with their new peer group and members of the secondary faculty. The 20 hour program will be delivered by secondary teachers at the secondary school site and will run on **August 22, 23 & 26-27, 2019** from **8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

The ‘Get Ready’ Program is an excellent introduction to the secondary school experience and will help to ensure a smooth transition for your child. **The family must cover lunch and transportation costs;** however, there are no additional program costs to you or the student and **snacks will be provided.** As all elementary schools will be collaborating with their respective secondary school to offer this program, space in the program is limited. We encourage you to discuss this opportunity with your son or daughter.

Please complete the attached registration form and return it to Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Secondary School by **Friday, May 3, 2019.** Information regarding details of the program, as well as confirmation of dates and times, will be forwarded to you by the secondary school prior to the end of June.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Kylie Richardson  
Principal