

North Peace Secondary School

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Hello Grade 9 students and Parents or Guardians and **welcome!**

Your child is starting their transition to **NPSS!** It may feel early, but beginning now allows time for good communication, questions, and confident decision-making. Over the next few months, students and families will receive key information to help prepare for the move to Grade 10.

This is both **exciting and a bit nerve-wracking**—and that’s normal! We’re here to help make it a smooth start.

How Families Can Stay Involved

- **Mark Key Dates:** Add monthly presentation dates to your calendars.
- **Discuss Together:** After each session, take time as a family to review the notes and materials shared.
- **Stay Curious:** If you have additional questions or need clarification, please reach out — we’re happy to help!

Each month’s presentation will include notes for students and parents, highlighting key topics and upcoming steps.

ABOUT NPSS

NPSS is the only high school in Fort St. John. The student population is around 1100. As the student population grew beyond the means of the high school (Main campus), a second campus (ELC) was established in 2011 at the Pomeroy Sports Centre. The ELC was designed to house up to 210 grade 10 students.

Administrators

Todd Koponyas	NPSS Principal
Jaclyn McNicol	Main Campus VP
Krista Peregoodoff	Main Campus VP
Lori Coulter	ELC VP

Need Support? We're Here for You

If you have any questions, contact your child's NPSS counsellor. You can book an appointment or send an email.

Campus	Counsellor	Students	Contact
Main Campus	Ms. Kelsie Calliou	Last names A – G International Students	kcalliou@prn.bc.ca 250-785-4429 Ext. 231
	Mr. Ryan Pearce	Last names H – M Senior Alternate	rpearce@prn.bc.ca 250-785-4429 Ext. 232
	Mr. Jonah Burridge	Last names N – Z Resource & Evergreen	jburridge@prn.bc.ca 250-785-4429 Ext. 230
ELC Campus	Ms. Crystal Anielewicz	All ELC Students	canielewicz@prn.bc.ca 250-263-9855

Purpose of the Transition Program

1. Counsellors visit the grade 9s monthly (TAG classes or Gym presentation)
2. Prepare students for the expectations and responsibilities of Grades 10–12.
3. Share key information to help families make informed decisions.
4. Provide opportunities for students and parents to ask questions and receive guidance.

Transition Timeline

Month	Focus
October	Introduction to the Transition Process BB - Oct 20 & 23; DK - Oct 16 & 21
November	Graduation Requirements - courses and credits BB - Nov 17 & 19; DK - Nov 18 & 20
December	Main and ELC —Similarities and Differences BB - Dec 3; DK - Dec 2
January	Campus Preference & Assignment Process BB - Jan 14; DK - Jan 15
February	Campus Tours BB - Feb 17; DK - Feb 19 Grade 9 Evening Open Houses ELC Feb 24: 5 - 6:30 pm Main Feb 25: 5 - 7 pm
March	Campus Preference Forms Due <u>Mar 9, 2026</u>

March	Course Description BB - March 9 & 11; DK - March 10 & 12
March	Campus Assignment Letters Handed Out <u>Mar 13 end of day</u>
April	Course Request Completion BB - 8 & 10; DK 14 & 16 MyEd - check and confirm at home with parents (Apr 7– 20)

Continue to work hard and build positive routines to finish middle school strong. Focus on work habits, attendance, and preparation for high school success

Keys to Success

1. Attend regularly
2. Complete and hand in work
3. Ask questions
4. Participate and get involved
5. Stay curious and positive

High school is about more than courses—it's about growth, confidence, and discovering who you are. We're excited to welcome you to NPSS and support you every step of the way!