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Pathways Program Grade 8 Outline

Students in the **Pathways 8 Program** are scheduled together for these four courses:

- English Language Arts
- Social Studies
- Science
- Physical and Health Education

Aside from these four enriched courses, the Pathways program offers:

- Fieldtrips
- Leadership & service in the community
- Outdoor Education

The remaining four courses that are part of the Grade 8 program are - Mathematics, Home Ec/Tech Ed, French and Fine Art - which are found in the regular program stream.

We also strongly encourage students in the Pathways Program to become involved, as participants or leaders, in the many extracurricular activities, clubs or sports available here at H.J. Cambie to become an active and contributing member of the school community.

How is Pathways different than regular grade 8 program

- Academic enrichment through individual curricular and cross-curricular projects (example: a Gala Night where students showcase a study of a leader, bringing in aspects of English, Science and Social Studies)
- Opportunities for personalized learning allowing for personal growth and differentiation in the different curricular areas (example: research reports and papers as well as directed studies in areas of interest)
- Pathways is taught by a team of teachers working collaboratively
- Leadership development through mini-conference days (examples of topics: team building, learning styles, organizational skills, presentation skills, etc.)
- Outdoor Education fieldtrips
- Development of critical thinking skills, creativity, problem-solving in curricular and cross-curricular areas
- Involvement in Community Service projects through extra-curricular activities, school clubs and/or community projects





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Cost of fieldtrips:

Students in the program participate in a variety of fieldtrips, with the cost of each field trip ranging from \$15 to \$40.

In addition to these outings, students will participate in an Outdoor Education camp at Strathcona Provincial Park on Vancouver Island. This trip provides students with an Outdoor Education experience that enables them to appreciate the outdoors for both recreational activities and to understand the need to protect our wilderness areas - as well as providing them with an opportunity to develop strong interpersonal skills and self-reliance.

The estimated cost of this five - day educational fieldtrip is approximately \$600, including transportation, lodging, outdoor education activities and supervision.

(Note: Some options may be available to help students with demonstrated financial need in order to participate in these fieldtrips)

Parental commitment:

- Participate in a selection of evening meetings / events during the school year - such as the Gala Night of the Notables
- Support students in their learning
- Support/participate in fundraising opportunities

