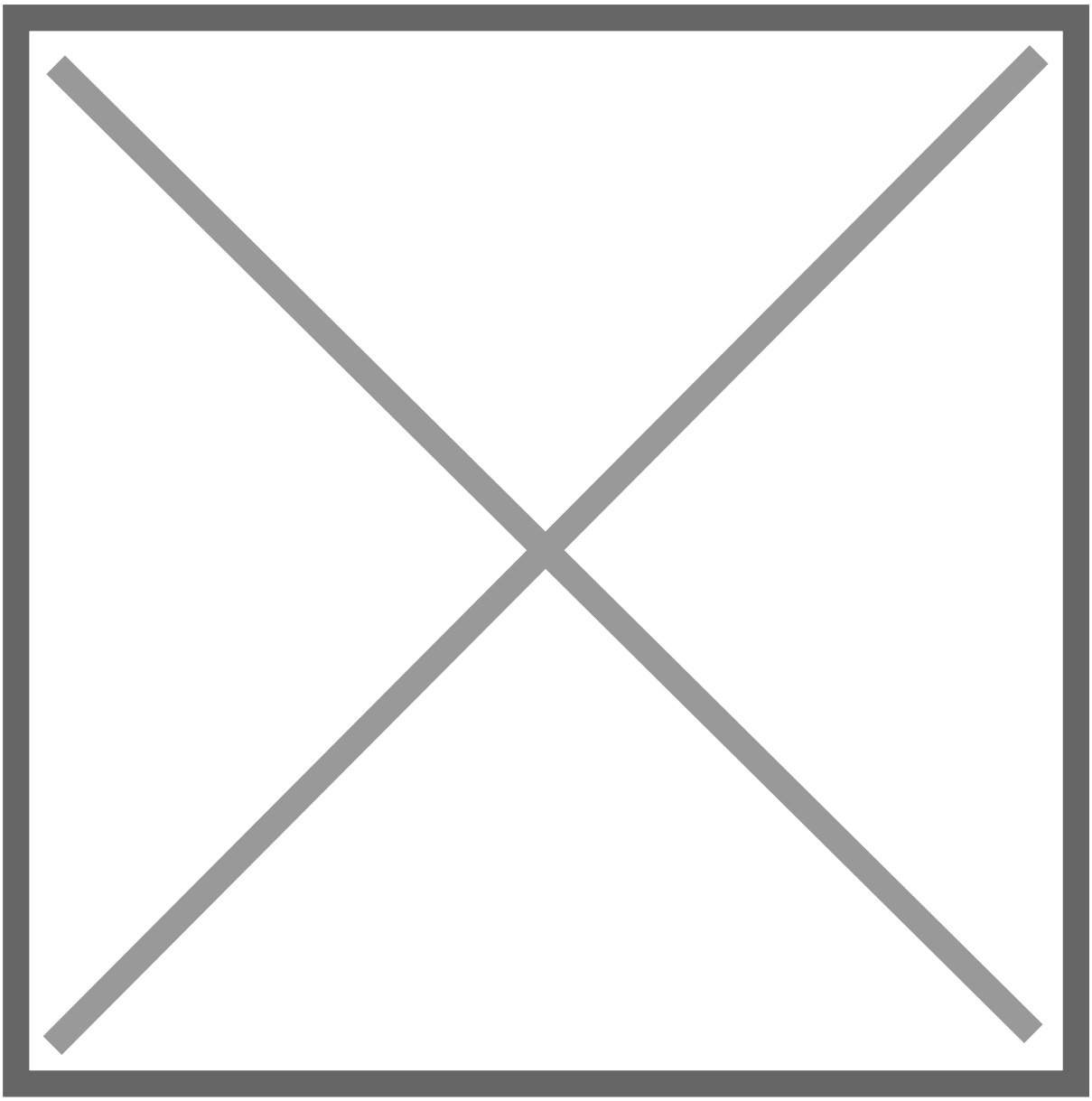
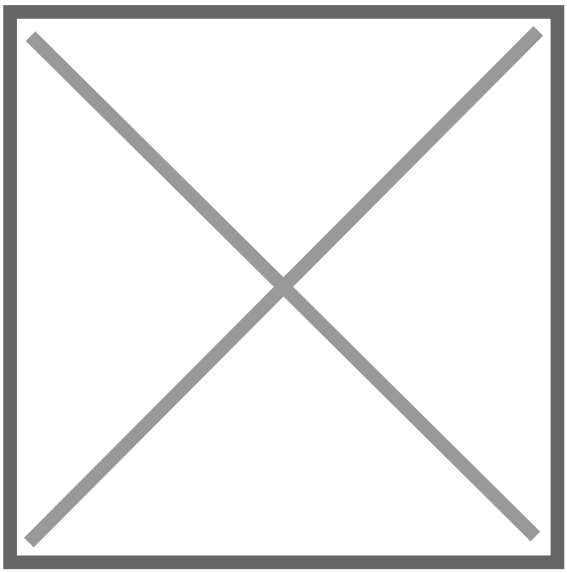
Crew Program Information



Innovations Crew is one option for students to enrol in to complete their grade 8 or 9 courses in preparation for high school.

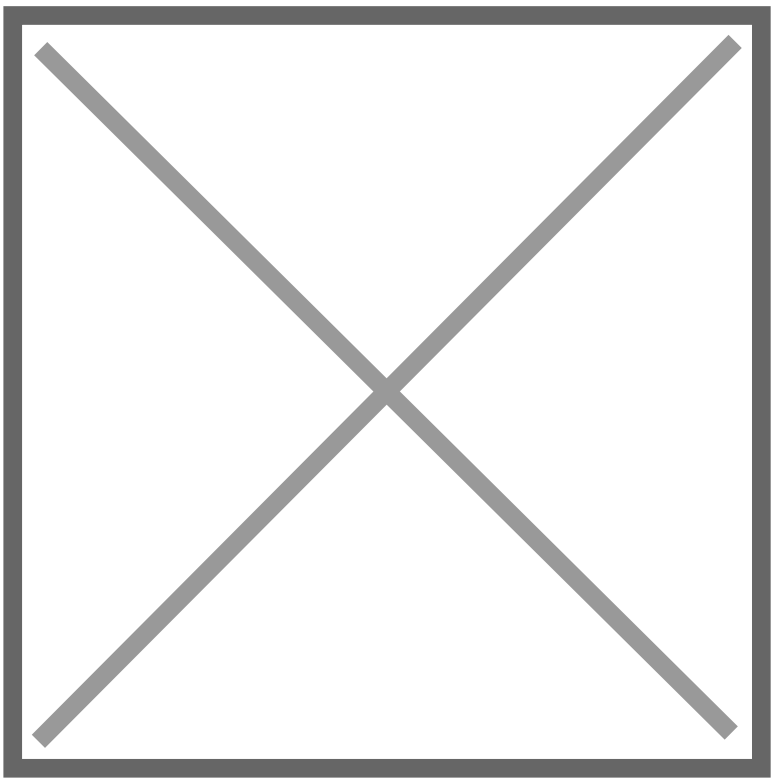


Read more about the Crew Vision and Values here.

Students will be placed in cohorts with a team of teachers and an Academic Advisor who will work together to ensure they are well supported in all aspects of their Grade 8 or 9 school year.

Crew Students will:

- Have a team of teachers and an Academic Advisor who will deliver all their courses
  - This team will work collaboratively with students to plan, teach, assess, advise and support them throughout the year
- Learn to work with multiple teachers over the course of the year
  - Students will begin to take responsibility for communicating with more than one person, connecting with course specialist teachers for help, and learning how to advocate for themselves.
- Be able to choose between individualized or online courses for all of the core subject areas (Science, Math, English and Social Studies)
  - Students can still learn using a student learning plan and traditional paper-based resources to meet BC learning standards OR enrol in online courses for Math, Science, Social Studies and English.
  - Students will complete non-core courses based on the student learning plan created collaboratively between teachers and students. This will include learning activities and assessment provided by Crew teachers.
- Have the support of a case manager if they are part of the Inclusive Education department



Is Crew the right choice for me?

The Crew program is a good fit for students who want to explore their faith and learn in a community where they can be courageous, take risks with their learning, and become advocates for themselves and others. The program is designed for students who want to learn together in community.

Crew Students:

- Commit to the Crew program for the whole school year
- Can engage with grade-level content and are no more than two grade levels behind in core subjects.
- Attend scheduled weekly zoom classes with cameras on
- Communicate respectfully and in a timely manner with their teachers and advisor as needed
- Regularly log in to Brightspace to access resources, assignments, hand in boxes and feedback
- Complete and submit work regularly, responding to feedback provided by teachers.
- Interact with peers respectfully and willingly
- Are willing to ask for help when needed
- Are welcome to connect with EA’s in the Student Success Center

What will my week look like?

Crew cohorts will meet on Zoom regularly throughout the week with the teaching team and advisor. Students can expect 2-3 regularly scheduled classes during the week as well as additional times that they can connect with teachers for help as needed.

Students will use Brightspace daily to access course resources and other materials provided by teachers, submit their work and monitor their progress. Teachers will provide helpful material and instructions, written feedback and assessment in Brightspace.

How do I sign up?

Families and students will have the opportunity to select Crew as their program of choice for grade 8 or 9 when they re-enrol for the next school year. Please note that current Grade 8 Crew students moving into Grade 9 will also need to select Crew during re-enrolment to continue in the program.

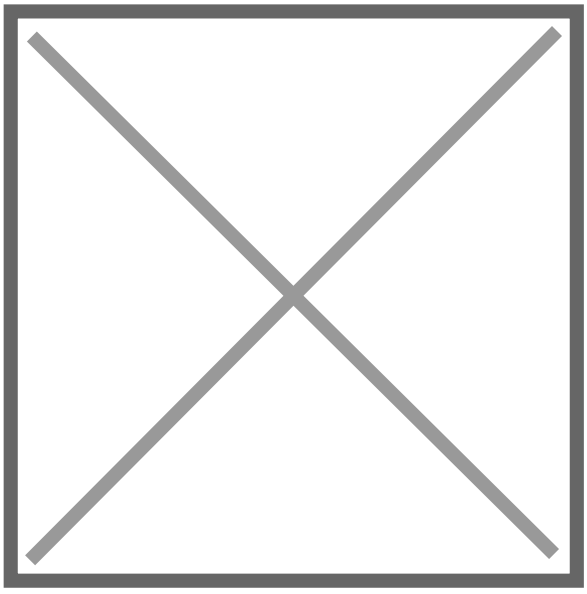
When completing the re-enrolment process in Encom, families will be asked to choose the Crew program. This option will remain available during enrolment until we reach program capacity. At that time, families who select Crew will be put on a waitlist and contacted if room becomes available.

If a family or student decides that Crew may be a good fit after they have already re-enrolled, they should directly contact their support teacher or Academic Advisor to request to change into Crew.

Families can expect to receive a Crew welcome email around mid-May.

Other Important Information

> Crew is a full school year commitment. This allows us to plan for and ensure both Crew teacher and K-9 support teacher loads remain stable and sustainable.



> Students in other HCOS programs, such as CC+, TechLAB, or Seed, will not be able to participate in Crew. Students must choose between Crew OR CC+, TechLAB and Seed.

The cost to students to participate in the program is $300. This will be taken from their resource budget upon acceptance to Crew. If families have opted for the no tuition option, they may still

need to order curriculum resources to complete non-core coursework. It may be advantageous for families to opt for the $200 tuition option when possible to allow for money to be available for curriculum purchases.

What is my role as a Crew Parent?

Crew Parents

- Have primary responsibility for the child's well-being, growth, and development.
- Indicate their student's choice for participation in Crew during enrolment or re-enrolment
- Recognize that teachers have professional training and expertise in their subject areas
- Respond to communication from the teaching team and advisor in a timely manner
- Work with course teachers and their student to develop student learning plans as needed
- Support their student at home by:
    - Checking regularly on course progress and performance in Brightspace
    - Encouraging student communication with teachers for help, clarification, questions, etc
    - Scheduling activities around Crew class times so students can attend Zoom classes

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