



# Choices at Seven

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION NIGHT  
February 26, 27 & 28, 2018

SEE YOURSELF IN LIMESTONE.CA



We value: Accountability | Collaboration | Fairness | Inclusion | Integrity | Optimism | Perseverance | Respect



# Choices at Calvin

ATLAS, Challenge, CORE and LEAP

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**We're Putting  
Wellness First**



**We're Turning  
Innovation into Action**



**We're Committed  
to Collaboration**



# Information Night Agenda



About Calvin Park Public School



Transportation & French Immersion Implications



The 4C's of Calvin Park



Application Process



Implementation of the 4C's &  
Other Program Information



Questions

# About Calvin Park

- Middle school (grade 7 & 8 only)
- Approximately 400 students
- 15 classes
- Co-located in building with LCVI
  - Occupy most of 2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- Start Time: 8:20 a.m. & End Time: 2:35 p.m.
  - Same start and end time, but different schedule than LCVI
- Break: 10:00 a.m. (15 mins.) & Lunch: 11:55 a.m. (1 hour)
- Own gymnasium, dance studio and science lab
- Shared cafeteria and library

# About Calvin Park

- A variety of extra-curricular activities:

- **Athletics (Boys' & Girls' LESAA teams)**

- Cross-Country, Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Ultimate Frisbee, Touch Football and Track & Field

- **Other Athletics**

- Running Club, Wrestling Club

- **Intramural Sports (variety)**

- **Coffee House (school-wide Arts)**

- **Improv Club**

- **Safe Space Supper Club**

- **Social Justice Club**

- **Chess Club**

- **Sewing Club**

- **Sketch Club**

- **Dungeons and Dragons Club**

- **Skills Competition Teams (Construction, Green Energy, TV/Video Editing, VEX, Lego Mechanics, Lego Robotics)**

- **And, MUCH, MUCH MORE!!!**



# The 4 C's of Calvin Park

*A framework for learning in support of personal, collective and sustainable growth.*



## Consider

Include all voices and perspectives.

Embrace individuality and promote diversity.

Navigate relationships guided by ethics and integrity.



## Connect

Listen to and build on others' thinking.

Notice, name and apply transferable skills.

Build a diverse support network.



## Create

Lead in culturally responsive learning environments supported by emerging technology.

Provoke own and others' thinking through questioning.

Advocate for innovative solutions and social justice.



## Continue

Adapt to change and persevere through adversity.

Choose next best learning move based on feedback and reflection.

Prioritize actions that address equity gaps.

# 4 Program Choices at Calvin



## **Applying Technology for Learning, Aptitude & Success**

*An option for district students with learning differences who are not achieving at expected levels & require support with communication and organization skills.*



## **The Challenge Program (Kingston Region)**

*An option for district students who are academically motivated or formally identified as gifted.*



## **Community-Oriented Responsive Education**

*An option for students who live in our neighbourhood. Most but not all attended one of our LDSB K-6 feeder schools: Centennial, Lord Strathcona, Polson Park or another local school outside of LDSB.*



## **Learning Through the Arts Program**

*An option for district students who demonstrate a strong aptitude in the arts and best demonstrate their learning through creative and artistic activities.*



Challenge

Program Information





# Eligibility for Calvin Park...

The Challenge program at Calvin Park is a program option for students who currently reside in the following Family of Schools' boundary areas:

- > Bayridge Family of Schools
- > Frontenac Family of Schools
- > KCVI Family of Schools
- > LCVI Family of Schools
- > La Salle Family of Schools
- > Former QECVI Family of Schools



# Uncovering the 4C's

<b>Consider</b>	<b>Connect</b>	<b>Create</b>	<b>Continue</b>
<p>What do I think?</p> <p>What do others think?</p> <p>How do different perspectives change one's outlook on a topic?</p>	<p>How can we connect as a team to build a learning community?</p> <p>How can a network of students help make problem solving easier?</p>	<p>How can we use technology to enhance our learning?</p> <p>How can we create change in the local and global community</p>	<p>How can we use feedback to improve our learning?</p> <p>How do we adapt to a changing world around us?</p>



Challenge

# It's Different Because...

- > Accelerated Pace
- > Higher order thinking skills focus
- > Leadership and collaboration opportunities
- > Social responsibility and global awareness
- > Project based learning
- > Learning 'how to learn'
- > Instrumental music program
- > Collaborative program productions (student written and produced)
- > Special guest instructors



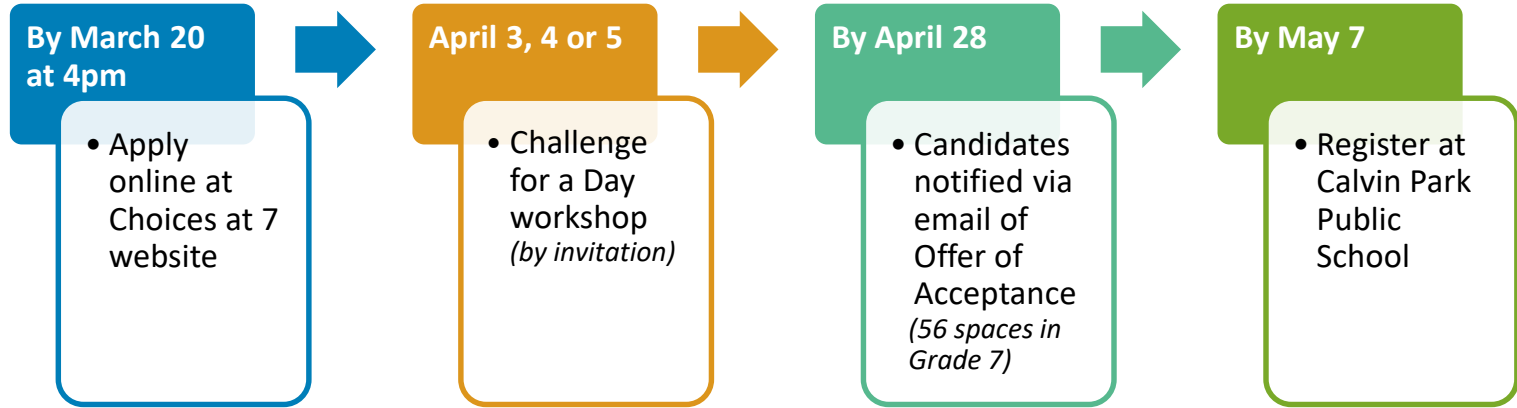
# Before you apply...

## Challenge is for:

- > **Academically motivated and formally identified gifted students who are seeking new learning challenges**
- > **Students who demonstrate self motivation**
- > **Creative problem solvers**
- > **Open-minded students who enjoy taking risks in their learning**



# Application Process



<http://www.limestone.on.ca/Programs/FOV1-001206AA/Choices At Seven/>

# Report Cards & IEPs

## Applying from **WITHIN** the Limestone DSB

- > We have access to your Term 1 report card.

## Applying from **OUTSIDE** of Limestone DSB

- > Please drop off hard copies of Term 1 report card and IEP (if applicable) to Limestone DSB Education Centre, 220 Portsmouth Avenue in envelope with students' name and program(s)

**ATTN: Luigia Cimellaro, Choices at Seven Programs Registrar**





# Workshop Day

BY INVITATION

- Complete a math and language assessment based on grade 6 curriculum expectations *(or Gr.7 expectations for Grade 8 applicants)*
- Give a brief, two-minute presentation that allows them to share a personal artifact and skills that would help them succeed as a student in the Challenge program.
- Be assessed on group and learning skills



# Workshop Day

## WHAT TO BRING

- Positive attitude
- Snack and lunch
- Share and Tell item (tells us who you are, what you are passionate about and what skills would help you succeed as a student in the Challenge program)
- Willingness to try and give your best effort (Growth mindset!)





# Workshop Day

## OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Parent/Guardians responsible for transportation to Workshop Day (9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)
- Cafeteria not available to visiting students

# Transportation

- Decisions made by Tri-Board Student Transportation Services
    - Telephone: 613.354.1981
    - Toll Free: 1.866.569.6638
    - Email: [info@triboard.on.ca](mailto:info@triboard.on.ca)
  - Students must apply for busing and where routes and space exist, transportation *may* be provided
  - Students *may* miss a portion of the day due to the timing of transportation.
  - Transportation to Calvin Park is **NOT guaranteed.**
  - **All students can ride Kingston Transit FREE!**
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# French Immersion

- If you are selecting a Choices at Seven program at Calvin Park Public School, we **do not provide** French Immersion programming or separate French programming.
- We provide Core French programming only.



# Questions for the whole group?

Calvin Park staff will be available in the cafeteria for individual questions after the group Q & A.

*Thank you!*

# Contact Us

Questions about  
Choices at 7 programs,  
process, applications,  
selection, acceptances,  
FAQs



Questions  
about  
Calvin Park

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