

2014 - 2015

ANNUAL INFORMATION CALENDAR



Year of
the
Ally

Success in learning to meet
the challenges of the future

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Keeping in Touch with your Trustees

School Board Trustees are responsible for the operation of the public school system.

The Durham District School Board is represented by 11 trustees who are publicly elected to serve a four year term from seven municipalities of Durham: Ajax, Brock, Oshawa, Pickering, Scugog, Uxbridge and Whitby. The current Board's term runs from December 2010 to December 2014. In addition, three student trustees are elected from the student body to serve on the Board of Trustees for a one year term.

Public school trustees are the critical link between communities and school boards. They ensure public schools meet the diverse needs of students in their communities. Together, trustees are responsible to their communities for the quality of education provided in local schools within an approved financial framework. Trustees meet regularly at Standing Committee meetings held on the first Monday of each month and at Board meetings held on the third Monday of each month. Upcoming meetings are noted throughout this calendar, and are held in the boardroom at the Education Centre. The public is welcome to attend, and to participate, in these meetings.

Student Senate: The Student Voice

Student Senate is made up of secondary school student council presidents/prime ministers. The Senate meets once a month during the school year to improve communication between the Board and its secondary school students across Durham. Issues, comments and concerns expressed by the Student Senate are brought to the attention of the Board by the three student trustees.



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Welcome to the 2014-2015 School Year!



Welcome back!

On behalf of the nearly 7,000 staff as well as the Board of Trustees of the Durham District School Board (DDSB), I would like to extend our best wishes for a successful school year to all of our school communities.

In this calendar, you will find a great deal of information: important dates, resources, events and ideas. Please keep it for use throughout the school year.

We have declared the 2014-2015 school year in the DDSB the Year of the Ally. This action re-affirms our commitment to supporting all dimensions of diversity. It also supports our long-standing commitment to creating caring communities. The type of welcoming, accepting school environment we wish to foster relies on allies to recognize marginalization, speak up about it and work together to plan and take action to create positive social change.

There will be numerous opportunities for related learning throughout the year for students and staff alike. Professional development includes a Summer Institute equity course called "Towards Creating Equitable and Inclusive Environments." As well, each school will have opportunities to send staff to workshops on culturally-relevant teaching. Student opportunities will include, among other events, the three-day Students and Teachers Against Racism (STAR) Retreat for students in Grades 7-12, and Junior STAR leadership conferences for students in Grades 4-6.

Throughout the school year, there will be many opportunities to emphasize the Three As - Awareness, Advocacy and Action – in an effort to encourage all within our schools to be social justice allies.

More information on this special strategy, as well as our guidelines and commitments to equity and inclusive education, is available on the DDSB website, www.ddsb.ca.

Please take a moment to complete the survey enclosed or online by October 10, 2014 at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/14brdcal>

All the best for a successful and healthy school year,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Martyn Beckett'.

Martyn Beckett
Director of Education

Positive and Productive Schools

Schools are hubs of activity where hundreds of students and staff come and go and learn and grow. By working together, we can ensure a positive and productive school environment for everyone.

- Your child's teacher is the best person to help you when you have a concern about your child's progress.
- Please contact the teacher first to discuss any concerns.
- Please contact the school office if you would like to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet with a staff member.
- When visiting a school, please remember to sign in at the office when you arrive. This important practice supports a safe school environment. When picking up or dropping off your child at school, please use the designated areas. School parking lots are busy places and we all want to ensure children arrive and leave safely.
- We kindly ask that you wait for your child outside of the school at drop off and pick up times.
- Help us to ensure a safe trip to and from school by reinforcing the safety and behaviour rules for school bus travel.
- Help us to support a culture of respect by observing the confidentiality of information about members of the school community.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support!



Centre for Success

School Bus Transportation and School Closure Information



Durham Student Transportation Services (DSTS) provides school bus service to more than 28,000 students daily, throughout Durham.

If you require information about your child's transportation, please call your child's school or the 24-hour automated telephone system at **905-666-6979** or **1-866-908-6578**.

In the event that inclement weather results in the cancellation of school bus service for children, or causes the closure of a school, media outlets will be notified **before 7:00 a.m.** Please check your local media for updates or visit www.dsts.on.ca or call **905-666-6979** or **1-866-908-6578**.

Please remember that cold weather can create poor road conditions and cause unavoidable delays in bus service.

Be prepared for the cold winter months by creating a contingency plan for your child in the event that the bus is late arriving at the stop and ensuring students are dressed appropriately for the weather conditions.

Your continued cooperation in ensuring the safety of our students in the cold winter months is appreciated.

Parents/guardians are asked to report any changes in home address or day-care providers to the school. Please help us to ensure that emergency telephone numbers on file are current at all times.



Anderson CVI

Safety Week September 15 - 19, 2014



HEART &
STROKE
FOUNDATION



September 15 - 19, 2014 marks the DDSB's tenth annual Safety Week. Along with our community partners, including Durham Regional Police Service, Durham's Fire Services, Durham Emergency Medical Services, Heart and Stroke Foundation and Durham Regional Health Department, we provide a week focussed on safety to get the school year off to a great start!

The theme for the week is Promoting Healthy Lifestyles.

Parent Involvement Committee

The Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) supports our School Community Councils (SCCs) by providing resources, professional development and support.

The committee is comprised of parent representatives from SCCs throughout the Durham District School Board (DDSB), trustees, community members, school and Board staff.

SCCs have long been a vital part of our school communities, providing strong links between home and school to create a positive learning environment for students. They are comprised of parents, school staff, students and community members who work together to support student achievement. SCC members are elected by the school community, within the first 30 days of the school year, and work together to advise the principal on matters related to the school.

Regional SCC meetings are held throughout the year to provide SCC members with an opportunity to attend workshops and exchange ideas.



For more information about the roles and responsibilities of SCCs, visit the SCC link on the DDSB website at www.ddsb.ca by selecting Parents, Parent and Community Involvement in Schools, School Community Council, or consult the DDSB School Community Council Handbook that is available on the website and at your local school.

Parents As Partners Conference 2014

Saturday, October 25, 2014

Conference (4 site locations)
Pickering HS, Meadowcrest PS,
Dr. C.F. Cannon PS, R.H. Cornish PS

Featuring – Tim Ralph, *Curriculum/Technology Officer*, and Allison Potts, *Mental Health Leader*, followed by a series of interactive sessions presented by Community Partners in your area.

Regional SCC Meeting

November 4, 2014
January 27, 2015
March 31, 2015

All Regional SCC meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. DDSB Education Centre, 400 Taunton Road East, Whitby

Parent Involvement Committee Meetings

October 7, 2014
November 25, 2014
February 10, 2015
May 12, 2015

All PIC meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. DDSB Education Centre, 400 Taunton Road East, Whitby

SEPTEMBER 2014



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labour Day Schools closed	2 First day of classes Schools dismiss one hour earlier Standing Committee/ Special Board Meeting Meeting - 7:00 pm	3	4	5	6
7	8 <i>International Literacy Day</i>	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Board Meeting - 7:00 pm	16	17	18	19	20
..... DDSB SAFETY WEEK — SEPTEMBER 15 - 19						
			Safety Week Open House	SEAC Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm		
21 <i>International Day of Peace</i>	22	23 <i>Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown</i>	24 <i>Rosh Hashanah Sept. 24-26</i> <i>Navaratri begins at sundown</i>	25 <i>Franco-Ontarian Day</i> <i>Navaratri Sept. 25 - Oct. 3</i>	26	27
28	29	30				

Elizabeth B. Phin PS

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Foundations of Safe Schools



Safe Schools

Promoting well-being is one of four goals that form the Ministry of Education's core priorities, as outlined in *Achieving Excellence: A Renewed Vision for Education in Ontario*.

Children and students who have strong relationships and a positive sense of self – and who can understand and manage their own health and emotions – are in a better position to reach their full potential in the future. Their sense of well-being supports their learning because it makes them more resilient and better able to overcome challenges. Ontario's education system needs to help students build the knowledge and skills associated with positive well-being and become healthy, active and engaged citizens.

Achieving Excellence: A Renewed Vision for Education in Ontario, April 2014

HELPING PARENTS SUPPORT SELF-REGULATION IN THEIR CHILD

Research shows that student success at school and in life is influenced by the ability to self-regulate. Parents play a critical role in developing self-regulation in their child. According to Dr. Stuart Shanker, international expert in self-regulation, parents can learn how to identify stressors/anxiety in their child and then teach him or her how to self-regulate.

An over-stressed child may:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experience difficulty in recovering from a concerning situation in a timely way• Have an over the top response to stressors• Identify non-stressors as real stressors
Five step plan to support your child:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify signs of stress in your child• Identify what the stressors are• Reduce stress• Teach your child what calm means• Teach your child how to get back to calm

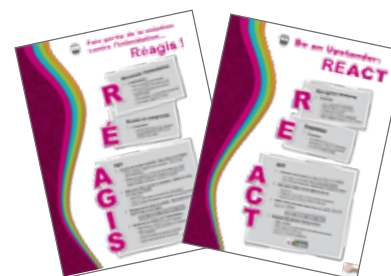
SAMPLE STRATEGIES FOR USE AT HOME:

- Develop bedtime routines that are calming. Turn off all screens, computers, hand held devices and televisions an hour before bedtime.
- Help your child calm him or herself in times of stress. When a child is stressed, he or she loses the ability to communicate, affecting both hearing and speaking. When your child is calm he or she is more able to focus on problem solving and being accountable.

BE AN UPSTANDER: REACT

Realizing success in this goal, and in overall student achievement, involves creating an environment that is healthy, safe and caring. A student cannot learn when he or she feels unsafe. By building the knowledge and skills associated with positive well-being, we all play a role in creating such an environment.

Be an Upstander: REACT is one tool to help students speak up against bullying and show that bullying is not tolerated here.



Bullying stops in less than 10 seconds, 60% of the time, when upstanders intervene.
www.kidshelpphone.ca

Parents can encourage their child to be an upstander by helping him or her to:

- Recognize bullying
- Identify and label personal feelings and those of others
- Talk about how it might feel to be bullied
- Identify how his or her actions can help others
- Report bullying



To read more on any of the foundations of Safe Schools visit www.ddsb.ca/Students/Safeschools

Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week
November 17 – 21, 2014

OCTOBER 2014



Islamic History Month



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>"I just wish people would realize that anything is possible if you try. Dreams are made if people try."</i></p> <p>- TERRY FOX</p> <p>Julie Payette PS</p>			<p>1 Hajj begins at sundown</p>	<p>2 Hajj begins at sundown</p>	<p>3 Hajj begins at sundown</p> <p>Yom Kippur begins at sundown</p> <p>Dasara/Dussehra begins at sundown</p> <p>Eid al-Adha begins at sundown</p>	<p>4 Yom Kippur</p> <p>Dasara/Dussehra</p> <p>Eid al-Adha Oct. 4-7</p>
<p>World Teachers' Day 5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Standing Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Parent Involvement Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>8 Sukkot begins at sundown</p>	<p>9 Sukkot Oct. 9-15</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>Thanksgiving Day 13</p> <p>All Schools Closed</p> <p>..... ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE WEEK — OCTOBER 13 - 17</p> <p>..... RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS WEEK — OCTOBER 13 - 17</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>Simchat Torah 16</p> <p>Simchat Torah begins at sundown</p> <p>SEAC Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm</p>	<p>17 Simchat Torah</p> <p>International Day for the Eradication of Poverty</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>Birth of The Bab 19</p> <p>begins at sundown</p>	<p>Birth of The Bab 20</p> <p>Board Meeting - 7:00 pm</p> <p>..... ALLY WEEK — OCTOBER 20 - 24</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>Diwali 23</p>	<p>United Nations Day 24</p> <p>PA Day</p> <p>Secondary Schools Only</p>	<p>Al-Hijra/Muharram – 25</p> <p>New Year</p> <p>Parents As Partners Conference</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>Child Care Worker 29</p> <p>and Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Volunteer of Distinction Awards Evening</p> <p>Sinclair SS - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Halloween 31</p>	



Bobby Orr PS

Special Education – Many Paths to Success

The mission of Special Education within the Durham District School Board (DDSB) is to provide a range of programs, placements and services for students with special needs in a supportive environment, which enables them to develop to their full potential as students and as members of their communities.

Board staff, students, parents and community partners, with the resources available, collectively strive to ensure that:

- Effective communication and collaboration foster a team approach to meeting students' needs.
- Assessment data is used to best meet individual student needs.
- Appropriate resources and professional development opportunities are provided and supported for students and staff. Structures are in place to continuously review and revise current practice for student success.

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Our Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) is an important partner in supporting students with special education needs. SEAC actively works with parents and Board staff to provide advice and consultation on how we can work together to best meet students' needs.

Associations represented:

Association for Bright Children (ABC)
www.abcontario.ca

Autism Ontario - Durham Region
www.autismontario.com/durham

Community Living - Durham North
www.communitylivingdurhamnorth.ca

Durham Down Syndrome Association
www.ddsa.ca

Easter Seals Ontario
www.easterseals.org

Learning Disabilities Association of Durham Region
www.ldadr.on.ca

Tourette Syndrome Foundation of Canada
www.tourette.ca

Community Resources:

Kinark Child and Family Services
www.kinark.on.ca

Resources for Exceptional Children and Youth - Durham Region
www.rfecydurham.com

Members At Large (2)

DDSB Trustees

Trustee Donna Edwards
Trustee Kathleen Hopper

Alternates

Appointed annually each December
Trustee Yvonne Forbes
Trustee Christine Winters

The Special Education Parent's Guide is now available in 10 different languages on the DDSB's website at: www.ddsb.ca.



Pickering HS



For more information on Special Education, contact the DDSB's Special Education department at: 905-666-5500 or 1-800-265-3968 or TTY 905-666-6943. 1-877-868-5575 (for the hard of hearing).

NOVEMBER 2014



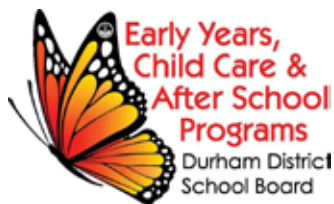
"The reason why we believe that change is possible is not because we are idealists but because we believe we have made it, so other people can make it as well."

- ROMÉO DALLAIRE



Meadowcrest PS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						All Saints' Day 1
All Souls' Day 2	3	Ashura begins at sundown 4	Ashura 5 Take Our Kids to Work Day	6	7	8
	Standing Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm	Regional SCC Meeting - 7:00 pm				
9	10	Remembrance Day 11	Birth of the Bahá'u'lláh 12	13	14	15
				SEAC Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm		Valley Farm Public School celebrates 25 years
International Day of Tolerance 16 Louis Riel Day	17	18	19	National Child Day 20	21	Holodomor Memorial Day 22
	Board Meeting - 7:00 pm				PA Day All Schools	
..... BULLYING PREVENTION AWARENESS WEEK — NOVEMBER 17 - 21 ➔						
Bandi Chhor 23/30 (Chor/Chhorh) Divas Nov. 23 Advent – First Sunday Nov. 30 - Dec. 24	24	International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women 25 Parent Involvement Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm	26	27	28	29



Early Years Learning, Kindergarten and Child Care



The Durham District School Board (DDSB) started offering Full-Day Kindergarten (FDK) in September 2010. In September 2014, FDK will be fully implemented in all DDSB Elementary Schools.

Preparing young children for school is important for long-term school success. The Durham District School Board (DDSB) is committed to providing our youngest learners with the best possible start through the following programs:

- **PARENT AND FAMILY LITERACY HUBS** – The DDSB, together with community agencies, operate 14 full-service Hubs located at: Dr. C.F. Cannon PS, Queen Elizabeth PS, Beaverton PS, Bolton C. Falby PS, David Bouchard PS, Glen Street PS, R.H. Cornish PS, Sunderland PS, Uxbridge PS, Vaughan Willard PS, Claremont PS, Glengrove PS, Winchester PS and Gandatsetiagon PS. Thirteen mini-hubs are available at: Cartwright Central PS, Clara Hughes PS, daVinci PS, Eagle Ridge PS, Terry Fox PS, Waverly PS, Whitby Shores PS, McCaskill's Mills PS, Sir John A. Macdonald PS, Epsom PS, Greenbank PS, Valley Farm PS and Westcreek PS. All Hubs offer free programs to children, families and caregivers on topics such as literacy development and school readiness, pre- and post-natal development and parenting resources, in a play-based environment. Full service hubs operate five days a week and mini-hubs operate 1-3 days per week. Please visit our website for the monthly program calendars and contact information.
- **SCHOOL'S COOL SUMMER PROGRAM** – The DDSB, together with the Family and Community Action program, deliver free summer Early Learning school readiness programs in several of our schools. All information can be found on our website.
- **WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN** – DDSB and The Learning Partnership provide resources and experiences to families with children entering Kindergarten, to begin their formal education with a foundation in play-based learning in their home.
- **AFTER SCHOOL RECREATION PROGRAM** – The DDSB, together with local Municipalities and non-profit High Five affiliated agencies, deliver engaging fun and rewarding after school recreation programs in 28 elementary schools.
- **CHILD CARE PROGRAMS** – The DDSB has established a Child Care Consortium comprised of nine licensed non-profit Child Care agencies to provide quality child care. Child care is currently offered in 71 schools and will continue to expand as there is community need. A legend of ages served and programs offered can be found on the school listings at the end of the calendar. For more information about all of the DDSB's Early Years programs, email early_years@durham.edu.on.ca, follow us on Twitter at: @DDSBEarlyYears and/or visit our website at www.ddsbc.ca.

Registering for Kindergarten

The Kindergarten program at the DDSB provides students with a solid foundation for their future intellectual, physical and social development by offering a variety of opportunities and experiences.

JR. KINDERGARTEN

To attend Junior Kindergarten in September 2015, a child must be four years of age by December 31, 2015.

SR. KINDERGARTEN

To attend Senior Kindergarten in September 2015, a child must be five years of age by December 31, 2015. Telephone pre-registration for Junior and Senior Kindergarten programs for September 2015 begins Tuesday, January 13, 2015. Parents should phone their local elementary school after 9:30 a.m. to pre-register their child. Proof of the child's birth date and other information will be requested later. If the number of students

pre-registered for a class exceeds the class limit, some students may be required to attend another school. The Board's transportation policy is in effect for both junior and senior kindergarten children.

Further information?

For further information about junior or senior Kindergarten pre-registration, please contact your local DDSB School. For a copy of the Ministry of Education's expectations for the Kindergarten program, please visit www.edu.gov.on.ca or write to: Publications Ontario, 50 Grosvenor Street, Toronto, Ontario M7A1L2.



Duffin's Bay PS

*On behalf of the staff of the Durham District School Board,
I offer my best wishes to all for a happy holiday season.*

Our District has an incredibly rich and diverse heritage, with more than 60 languages and cultures represented in our public schools. We work hard to foster respect for the many cultures and faiths represented not only in our schools, but also throughout the community. We encourage celebration of our diverse history through events and activities throughout the school year.

Please accept my very best wishes for a happy and healthy new year.

Martyn Beckett
Director of Education



For more information about all of the DDSB Early Years Programs, call 905-666-8080 Ext.5440, 1-800-265-3968 or visit www.ddsbc.ca/Programs/Early_Years.

DECEMBER 2014



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<i>World AIDS Day</i> 1 Standing Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm	<i>International Day for the Abolition of Slavery</i> 2	<i>International Day of Disabled Persons</i> 3	4	5	6
7	8	9	<i>Human Rights Day</i> 10	11 SEAC Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm	12	13
14	<i>Hanukkah begins at sundown</i> 15 Board/Election Meeting - 7:00 pm	<i>Hanukkah Dec. 16-24</i> 16	17	18	19 <i>Last day of classes before December vacation. Classes dismiss one hour earlier.</i>	20
21	22	23	<i>Christmas Eve</i> 24 <i>Last Day of Advent</i>	<i>Christmas</i> 25 <i>Kwanzaa begins at sundown</i>	<i>Kwanzaa Dec. 26 - Jan. 1</i> 26	27
 DECEMBER VACATION — SCHOOLS CLOSED - DEC. 22 - JAN. 2 ➔					
28	29	30	31	<i>"Before anything else, preparation is the key to success."</i> - ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL		
 DECEMBER VACATION SCHOOLS CLOSED - DEC. 22 - JAN. 2 ➔					



R. H. Cornish PS



Preparing Your Child For Life

The Durham District School Board has numerous strategies in place to improve student achievement in literacy and numeracy.

Here are some tips to assist in preparing children for all assessments, including classroom tests and the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) large-scale assessments of reading, writing and mathematics.

- Let your children see you reading, enjoying and talking about what you read.
- Show them that reading makes you laugh, get angry, think, relax, grow and take action.
- Encourage them to read a variety of materials, not just books.
- Ask their opinions of the people and situations about which they are reading.
- Challenge them to support their opinion with specific and relevant examples.
- Talk about newspaper articles. Compare how different the style, tone and organization are from other reading materials.
- Show that you are interested in what they are reading, by asking them to summarize it.
- Encourage them to analyze by asking them what they consider to be the author's main point.
- Ask them to visualize what they are reading. Some readers say this is like running a video or movie in their heads.
- Create a family reading time on a regular basis.

EQAO ASSESSMENT DATES

Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics

January 13, 14 and 15, 2015

(First Semester Students)

Grade 10 Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test

March 26, 2015

Junior (Grade 6) Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics

May 26, 27, 28 and 29, 2015

Primary (Grade 3) Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics

June 1, 2 and 3, 2015

Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics

June 9, 10 and 11, 2015 *(Second Semester Students)*



Eastdale CVI



For more information on the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO), visit www.eqao.com and look for information and resources related to all four EQAO assessments.

The "Getting Ready Guide" for the OSSLT test is also available on this site under "Parent Resources." It includes: tips for reading and writing, sample questions and answers, and much more. You may also contact your child's school or teacher for additional support.



Learning en français!



Frenchman's Bay PS

FRENCH IMMERSION (GRADES 1 TO 12)

The French Immersion program is intended for students whose parents or guardians do not have a French background but would like their child(ren) to become fluent in French. French Immersion students follow the English language curriculum, but in French. Secondary students earn a certificate of French Immersion Studies by completing 10 French Immersion credits. An Immersion graduate should have a level of confidence in the French language that would permit him or her to study in French at the university or college level, accept employment where the working language is French, and live in a French community.

CORE FRENCH (GRADES 4 TO 12)

The aim of the Core French program is to help students develop basic communication skills in French, an understanding of the nature of the French language and an appreciation of French culture. By the end of Grade 8, students will have acquired a minimum of 600 hours in French language instruction. At the secondary level, students are required to complete one compulsory credit in French in Grade 9 and then have the option of taking other French courses from Grades 10 to 12. Students completing the Grades 10 to 12 program may earn a Certificate of International Languages in French. Success in the Core French program should allow students to carry on conversations, read French text with the help of resources and continue post-secondary French studies.

FRENCH IMMERSION REGISTRATION

Registration for the Grade 1 French Immersion program is accepted during the Senior Kindergarten year after the French Immersion Information Night for Parents and Guardians which will take place on **Wednesday, February 4, 2015** at each elementary school offering the French Immersion program.

A second opportunity to attend an information night will be held on **Thursday, April 23, 2015** at the **DDSB Education Centre, 400 Taunton Road East, Whitby.**





For more information please contact the Program Facilitator for French at 905-666-6389.

JANUARY 2015

Tamil Heritage Month



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>"Anyone can become a reader. Just find that one book."</i></p> <p>- DAVID BOUCHARD</p> 	 <p>Port Perry HS</p>			<p>New Year's Day 1</p>	<p>Mawlid al-Nabi begins at sundown 2</p>	<p>Mawlid al-Nabi 3</p>
<p>..... DECEMBER VACATION SCHOOLS CLOSED — DEC. 22 - JAN. 2</p>						
<p>4</p> <p><i>Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh Ji</i></p> <p>Classes Resume</p> <p>Standing Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p><i>Epiphany</i></p> <p><i>Nativity of Christ</i></p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Jr/Sr Kindergarten Registration (pre-registration begins via telephone at 9:30 at child's local elem. school)</p> <p>EQAO Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics (First Semester Students)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>EQAO Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics (First Semester Students)</p>	<p>15</p> <p><i>Birthday of Martin Luther King Jr.</i></p> <p>EQAO Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics (First Semester Students)</p> <p>SEAC Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p> <p><i>Martin Luther King Day</i></p>	<p>19</p> <p>Board Meeting - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>PA Day Elementary Schools Only</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>..... NO NAME-CALLING WEEK — JANUARY 19 - 23</p>						
<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p><i>International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust</i></p> <p>Regional SCC Meeting - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>



Supporting Equity and Safer, Inclusive Environments

The DDSB is committed to **student achievement and well-being by creating** inclusive environments that support our diverse students, staff, and parents. **Culturally responsive curriculum and practices** in Durham schools and classrooms include discussions and resources on **social realities and possible barriers related to the following dimensions of diversity and/or their**

intersections, including: age (including youth culture), ancestry, culture, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, language, physical ability, intellectual ability, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, and other considerations. The Equity and Inclusive Education Strategy reaffirms the values of fairness, equity, and respect as essential principles of our publicly funded education system.

(Adapted from Ministry of Education, Equity and Inclusive Education Strategy, 2009)

Examples of the programs and resources that bring this commitment to life for our students include:

- Declaring 2014-2015 Year of the Ally: supporting all dimensions and intersections of diversity,
- Students and Teachers Against Racism (STAR) Leadership Programs, which provide equity, diversity and social justice education to students through leadership training,
- Documents and guidelines aimed at understanding: gender identity; inclusive language; accommodation of religious requirements, practices and observances,
- Dates of significance, which recognize holidays, equity and social justice days as well as United Nations International dates, are sent to schools each month,
- Durham Black Educators' Network (DBEN): initiatives, community outreach, parent partnerships and the And Still We Rise Student Conference,
- Developed employee and community groups such as the LGBTQ Educators' Network and the LGBTQ Parents Network to offer voice to our employees and community members,
- Annual Gay Straight Alliance Conference (GSA) celebrates and reinforces respect,
- The Equity and Diversity collection, in the Professional Library at the Education Centre, contains books, films, posters, learning activity kits, and a variety of resources to ensure that students see themselves reflected in curriculum and the school environments,
- All DDSB schools and classroom libraries have all been provided through the Closing the Gap Initiative with books supporting students and families on several areas of diversity including: socio-economic status, race, sexual orientation, mental and physical ability and gender,
- The annual DDSB Equity Institute provides our educators with a forum for sharing best practices within the system.



Alexander Graham Bell PS



For more information about Equity and Inclusive Education, please contact the Equity Officer at 905-666-6023 or visit www.ddsb.ca/AboutUs.



English Language Learners

English language learners are students whose first language is other than English, or is a variation of English that is significantly different from that which is used for instruction in Ontario schools.

The Durham District School Board offers school level support designed for students who are:

- Proficient users of their first language, but have limited facility in English used in Ontario schools (English as a Second Language – ESL),
- Newcomers who have had limited opportunities to develop literacy skills due to interrupted schooling or have had a lack of access to education and whose first language is other than English or is a variety of English that is significantly different from the English used in Ontario schools (English Literacy Development (ELD)).

DURHAM REGION WELCOME CENTRES

There are two Welcome Centres for newcomers to Durham Region. The Ajax Welcome Centre is located on Fairall Street across from the Ajax GO Station. The Pickering Welcome Centre is located at 1400 Bayly Street, beside the Pickering GO Station.

SETTLEMENT WORKERS IN SCHOOLS

For those who are new to Canada, school staff are able to provide contact information of a settlement worker (SWIS worker) who is able to help meet the individual and family needs in accessing community information and resources.



West Lynde PS



Please contact your local school for additional information about the support and opportunities available for English Language Learners and their families.

FEBRUARY 2015

Black History Month



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Standing Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm	3	4 French Immersion Parent Information Night Located at all elementary schools offering the French Immersion program - 7:00 pm	5	6	7
8	9	10 Parent Involvement Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm	11	12	13 PA Day All Schools	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i>
15	16 Family Day All Schools Closed	17 <i>Shrove Tuesday</i> Board Meeting - 7:00 pm	18 <i>Ash Wednesday - Lent Begins</i>	19 <i>Lunar New Year</i> SEAC Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm	20 <i>World Social Justice Day</i>	21
22	23	24	25 Pink Shirt Day	26	27	28



*"It is not your duty to be average.
It is your duty to set a higher example
for others to follow."*

- LINCOLN ALEXANDER



Lord Elgin PS



Dunbarton HS



David Bouchard PS

Technology



Oshawa Central CI

Technology in Education



The use of technology at the Durham District School Board is intended to support, enhance and deepen learning in the classroom. Students have opportunities to use technology to reach beyond the walls of their classroom to locate current resources, collaborate and communicate with others. Teachers use technology to create engaging learning opportunities and our students use mobile technologies in their classrooms to work together to inquire, create and share their ideas. The opportunity to use 21st century tools allows our students to personalize their learning experience and provide greater opportunities for creativity and innovation.

Learning resources for your child can be found by visiting your school's website and clicking on the school's Library or Learning Commons link. Students can find valuable resources such as online books and encyclopedias, educational videos, newspapers and tips and strategies to support research for school assignments.



From every school website, students also may make use of the DDSB Mobile Campus which provides a secure, safe and mobile platform for learning and inquiry both at school and at home. The Mobile Campus provides secure access to each student's school network storage space as well as many other resources. Students in Grades 4-12 can also find online learning tools and online access to DDSB Microsoft Office Cloud tools such as Word, Excel and PowerPoint.

Online classroom spaces provide a host of opportunities for students to extend their learning outside of the school. Many teachers have created online learning environments for their students to interact with one another and share resources. Students in Grades 11 and 12 in most DDSB secondary schools have the opportunity to complete online course work using the Ministry of Education D2L Learning Management system. These secondary courses are taught by DDSB teachers completely online and provide students with opportunities to take courses that might not be offered at their school or which may not fit their individual timetable needs. Online classroom environments allow a blended environment of face-to-face and digital learning to occur.

The Durham District School Board promotes Digital Citizenship for all of our students and staff when they are online. All students are encouraged to speak to a trusted adult if they feel unsafe while communicating with others online. Students and parents may choose to use the Report Bullying Now button which is available on every school website. Digital Citizenship mirrors the DDSB Character Education Program and promotes healthy, safe and respectful use of technology in everyday learning.



Math Homework Help

Durham students in Grades 7-10 can receive free online help with math homework by registering through the Ministry of Education's "Homework Help" website: <https://homeworkhelp.ilc.org>. Here, students can communicate one-on-one with Ontario math teachers, view videos and tutorials and ask questions regarding difficulties they are having with mathematics.

HELPFUL WEBSITES:

<http://library.ddsb.ca>

resources for DDSB students including encyclopedias, databases, ebooks and more

www.commonsemmedia.org

reviews and ratings of movies, television and video games for parents

www.tvokids.com

educational games and activities for children

www.pbskids.org

educational games and activities for young children

<https://homeworkhelp.ilc.org>

homework help for students in Grades 7-10

MARCH 2015



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Standing Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm	3	4 <i>Purim begins at sundown</i>	5 <i>Purim</i>	6 <i>Holi</i> <i>Women's World Day of Prayer</i>	7
8 <i>International Women's Day</i>	9	10 Durham Black Educators' Network - And Still We Rise Student Leadership Conference	11	12	13 MARCH BREAK MARCH 13 - 20	14
15	16	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	18	19	20	21 <i>World Down Syndrome Day</i> <i>International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination</i> <i>Naw-Ruz</i>
22	23 Board Meeting - 7:00 pm	24	25 <i>International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery & the Transatlantic Slave Trade</i>	26 <i>Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness</i> Grade 10 OSSLT Test SEAC Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm	27 DDSB Earth Hour Challenge 10:00 - 11:00 am	28 <i>Global Earth Hour</i>
29 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	30	31 Regional SCC Meeting - 7:00 pm	<p><i>"Success is a mixture of skills, competence, luck and hard work; with a bit of effort, I believe the world can be at our feet."</i></p> <p>- JULIE PAYETTE</p> 			



Lincoln Avenue PS



Continuing Education, Summer School and more

As schools prepare for the end of the academic year, Durham Continuing Education (DCE) is preparing for the Durham District School Board's summer school programs.

ELEMENTARY SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Elementary summer school programs include Grades 7 and 8 language arts and mathematics upgrading classes, which run during July, as well as the popular "Getting Ready for High School" program at the end of August that prepares new Grade 9 students for their first high school experience.

SECONDARY SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Secondary students can catch up or improve a mark with upgrading courses, or reach ahead with accelerated (full credit) summer school classes that run in July at selected sites across the Durham Region.

FALL PROGRAMS

DCE offers night school programs for elementary international languages and secondary credit, as well as adult credit and upgrading programs.

On-line registration is available for elementary and secondary programs. English as a Second Language (ESL) and Language Instruction for Newcomer to Canada (LINC) programs for adults are also available.

There is also an adult day school program for individuals who want to upgrade courses or complete their diploma.

SCHOOL'S COOL SUMMER PROGRAM

The DDSB, together with the Family and Community Action program, deliver free summer Early Learning school readiness programs in several of our schools. All information can be found on our website.

DDSB Early Years and Child Care partners deliver a variety of summer Child Care, recreation and camp programs in our schools. Please visit our website regularly for up to date information on what is available in your community.



For information on this and the many programs offered at Durham Continuing Education, please visit www.dce.ca or call 1-800-408-9619



EcoSchools at the DDSB

As of the 2013-2014 school year, there are 81 schools and sites in the Durham District School Board (DDSB) certified as Ontario EcoSchools.

Ontario EcoSchools is an environmental education and certification program for elementary and secondary schools **and is celebrating its tenth Anniversary this year!** The program helps schools work toward sustainability by promoting a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions, aligning classroom-based learning with school operations and helping schools to find innovative ways to reduce their impact on the environment. The program reinforces the lessons by providing related opportunities for learning and action outside the classroom.

As part of the program, a school's EcoTeam works to improve four priority areas of EcoSchools: waste reduction, energy conservation, ecological literacy and school ground greening. Students and staff participate in school-wide projects such as waste-free and boomerang lunches, school ground greening projects and energy conservation initiatives such as turning off lights and computer monitors when not in use. Ontario EcoSchools is aligned with and builds on the Ontario Ministry curriculum and is focused on student engagement and leadership.



The DDSB's commitment to the environment extends to the daily practices in our schools. All schools are supplied with green certified cleaning products. As of September 2012, all schools have at least one water bottle filling station. The installation of these units provides a wonderful opportunity to focus awareness on the issues of water use, water conservation and the reduction of wasteful practices such as the continued use of non-refillable plastic water bottles. It also provides the opportunity to reinforce our practice of reusable containers in schools.

All Durham District School Board (DDSB) schools are encouraged to follow the Board's Waste Reduction and Energy Conservation Guidelines.



For more information please contact the DDSB's Waste and Energy Officer at 905-666-6327

APRIL 2015



"Failures are made only by those who fail to dare, not by those who dare to fail."

- LESTER B. PEARSON

William Dunbar PS



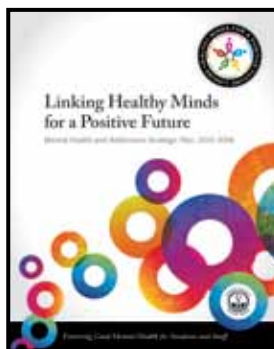
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>"Failures are made only by those who fail to dare, not by those who dare to fail."</i></p> <p>- LESTER B. PEARSON</p> <p>William Dunbar PS</p>				<p>1</p> <p>World Autism Awareness Day</p> <p>Holy Thursday</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Good Friday</p> <p>All Schools Closed</p> <p>Pesach (Passover 1st two days) begins at sundown</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Pesach (Passover 1st two days) April 4-11</p>
<p>Easter</p> <p>5</p>	<p>Easter Monday</p> <p>All Schools Closed</p> <p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Standing Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Durham Black Educators' Network: And Still We Rise Conference</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>Baisakhi/Vaisakhi</p> <p>14</p>	<p>Yom HaShoah (Day of the Holocaust) begins at sundown</p> <p>15</p>	<p>Yom HaShoah</p> <p>Student Recognition Night - J. Clarke Richardson Collegiate</p> <p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>..... NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK — APRIL 12 - 18</p>						
		<p>Pickering-Ajax Student Trustee Election</p>	<p>Whitby-Oshawa Student Trustee Election</p>	<p>Brock, Uxbridge, Scugog Student Trustee Election</p> <p>SEAC Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm</p>		
<p>19</p>	<p>Ridvan begins at sundown</p> <p>20</p> <p>Board Meeting - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Ridvan</p> <p>21</p>	<p>International Earth Day</p> <p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>French Immersion Parent Information Night</p> <p>Education Centre - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>9th Day of Ridvan</p> <p>29</p>	<p>30</p>		



Linking Healthy Minds for a Positive Future
 Student and staff mental health and well-being is a key priority for the DDSB. It is at the foundation of student success. Our Mental Health and Addictions Strategic Plan, **Linking Healthy Minds for a Positive Future**, focuses on the care and well-being of students and staff and emphasizes the importance of the development of resiliency, skills, strategies, interests and talents in an inclusive environment.

The plan includes five Links of Influence: Building Resiliency; Breaking Down the Stigma; Building Skills and Knowledge; Engaging Parents/Guardians and Families; and, Working Collaboratively with Community Partners. Each link includes recommendations aimed at fostering a safe, supportive and inclusive environment with an aim of supporting staff and student mental wellness.

In all ways, the DDSB Mental Health Strategy supports the DDSB mission statement: "Success in learning to meet the challenges of the future." Our focus on mental health will continue gaining momentum and focus in the years to come. Increasing awareness of the contributing factors for positive mental health and creating mentally healthy schools and classrooms to support all students is a priority for the DDSB. This priority intersects with initiatives which support academic achievement, safe and caring schools, equity and diversity, school readiness and education in early years. The DDSB is proud of the Mental Health Advisory Committee which supports system-wide, sustainable mental health initiatives in collaboration with community partners.



Mental health is something that matters to all of us and having a shared language about mental health is a good place for us to start. In the DDSB we have key mental health messages that help provide a foundation on which we can develop sustainable strategies that support positive mental health of students and staff.

Schools are an optimal setting to:

- Reduce stigma
- Promote positive mental health
- Build student social-emotional learning skills
- Prevent mental health problems in high risk groups
- Identify students in need
- Build pathways to care



The DDSB recognizes Children's Mental Health Week in May and highlights the ongoing activities and initiatives that occur across the school board throughout the year.



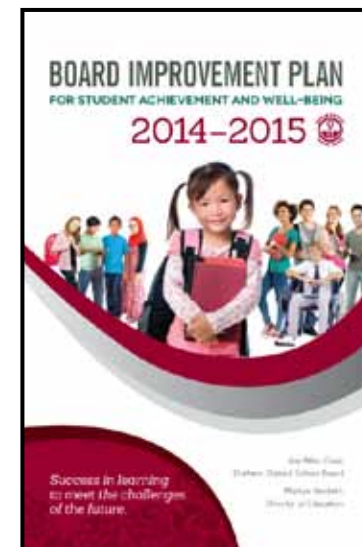
Board Improvement Plan

The Durham District School Board's 2014-2015 Improvement Plan for student achievement provides a system view and direction to teaching and learning from Kindergarten to secondary school graduation.

Efforts to improve student achievement are supported through a common vision, shared goals and alignment between Board and school priorities.

The plan provides detailed direction and outlines the system's responsibility to ensure that the actions required to support the social, emotional and academic development of all students are supported.

To view the complete plan, please visit the DDSB's website at www.ddsb.ca






More Information? Please visit the DDSB's website and access the Mental Health page under "About Us."

MAY 2015

Speech-Language-Hearing Month
Asian Heritage and South Asian Heritage Month



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<p><i>"The only reason I've shared my story is to take that tiny baby step of breaking down the stigma attached to depression."</i></p> <p>- CLARA HUGHES</p> <p>Kedron PS</p>				 <p>Nominate Now! www.ddsbc.ca</p>		<p>Twelfth Day of Ridvan 1 begins at sundown</p>	<p>Twelfth Day of Ridvan 2</p>
3	 <p>Standing Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm</p>	4	5	6	7	8	9
		<p>..... RACING AGAINST DRUGS DURHAM — MAY 4 - 8</p> <p>..... EDUCATION WEEK — MAY 4 - 8</p> <p>..... CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK — MAY 3 - 9</p>					
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
		Parent Involvement Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm		Ascension of Christ	International Day of Families		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
International Day Against Homophobia	Victoria Day All Schools Closed			World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development Declaration of the Bab SEAC Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm		Shavuot begins at sundown	
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30	
World No Tobacco Day Shavuot May 24-25 Pentecost	National Missing Children's Day	EQAO Junior Grade 6 Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics	EQAO Junior Grade 6 Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics	EQAO Junior Grade 6 Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics	Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh EQAO Junior Grade 6 Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics		



Aboriginal Education

The Durham District School Board is committed to student success and providing a safe and welcoming learning environment for all students, including First Nation, Métis, and Inuit students.

As part of this commitment, we are implementing the 2007 Ontario First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Education Policy Framework which provides direction in a holistic and integrated approach to achieving the following Ministry goals:

- Achieving Excellence
- Ensuring Equity
- Promoting Well-Being
- Enhancing Public Confidence

The Aboriginal Education department strives to achieve these goals by:

- Raising awareness of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit cultures, histories, and perspectives
- Strengthening students' sense of identity and foster positive self-image
- Providing culturally responsive curriculum and pedagogy to increase student achievement
- Engaging community members and organizations in ongoing dialogue.
- The DDSB Aboriginal Education Advisory Circle meets regularly throughout the school year to review progress.

The DDSB Aboriginal Welcome Wheel and Proud to Be First Nation, Métis and Inuit window decal are featured near the front entrance of all schools. The infusion of Aboriginal histories, cultures and perspectives across Grades K-12 curriculum and into school culture supports the goals of the Ontario FNMI Education Policy Framework.

Aboriginal families may participate in the Voluntary, Confidential Aboriginal Student Self-Identification program, included on all school registration and verification forms. Self-ID forms are also available on the front page of school websites and may be completed at any time throughout the year. The identification of First Nation, Métis and Inuit ancestry enables the Board to determine programming support for Aboriginal student success, as well as to inform families about the initiatives offered.

The Aboriginal Family Network program is for DDSB students with First Nation, Métis and Inuit ancestry and provides unique opportunities for Aboriginal students and families to meet and learn more about Aboriginal cultures and perspectives through teachings, drumming, singing, language, games, crafts and outings.



More Information?

For more information about Self-Identification, Aboriginal Education, or volunteer opportunities, please contact the Aboriginal Education Officer at 905-666-6301 or the Aboriginal Education Facilitator at 905-666-6397, or visit: www.ddsb.ca/Programs/aboriginalead.



School College Work Initiative (SCWI) and Dual Credits in the DDSB 2014-2015

Dual credits allow students to take a college course at the same time as a secondary school course. Students earn a credit towards their Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) and have an experience that will help them make a successful transition to college.

The DDSB partners with Durham, Fleming and Centennial Colleges to offer a wide variety of learning opportunities. Our DDSB students are reaching ahead to explore the world of post-secondary education at college. From Marketing to Popular Culture and the Media, and from Introduction to Psychology to International Culinary Appreciation, our DDSB students are reaching ahead to explore the world of post secondary education at college.

Individual Pathways Plan

The Individual Pathways Plan (IPP) encourages students in Grades 7-12 to make decisions, set goals, and develop and implement the steps needed to successfully complete elementary and secondary school and proceed to their initial post-secondary destination. The IPP helps students develop a fuller understanding of the Education and Career/Life planning inquiry process and the value the process will have for them in their post-secondary planning and throughout their lives. Students complete the requirements of the IPP using Career Cruising.

CareerCruising

More Information?

Career Cruising is a web-based career exploration and planning tool that is used to explore career and education options and to develop a career/life education plan.

It can be accessed at www.careercruising.com/login/ddsb.ca

JUNE 2015

Italian History Month National Aboriginal History Month



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Vesak/Wesak /Visakhi Puja (New Year) 1 EQAO Junior Grade 3 Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics Standing Committee Meeting - 7:00 pm	2 EQAO Junior Grade 3 Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics	3 EQAO Junior Grade 3 Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics	4	5 PA Day Elementary Schools Only	6
All Saints' Day 7	8	9 EQAO Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics (Second Semester Students)	10 EQAO Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics (Second Semester Students) DDSB Annual Retirement Dinner	11 EQAO Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics (Second Semester Students) SEAC Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm	12	13
14	15 Board Meeting - 7:00 pm	16	17 <i>Ramadan Begins begins at sundown</i>	18 <i>Ramadan Begins</i>	19	20
National Aboriginal Day 21	22	23	24 <i>La Fête National/ Fête de St. Jean-Baptiste</i> Last day of secondary school classes	25 PA Day Secondary Schools Only Last day of elementary school classes	26 PA Day All Schools	Multiculturalism Day 27
28	29	30	<p><i>"Every decision you make, from what you eat to what you do with your time tonight, turns you into who you are tomorrow, and the day after that."</i></p> <p>- CHRIS HADFIELD</p>			




Adelaide McLaughlin PS

JULY 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			 Canada Day 1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

AUGUST 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	Civic Holiday	3	4	5	6	7
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	



DURHAM DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

2014-2015

Elementary & Secondary Regular School Year Calendar

Classes will begin on Tuesday, September 2, 2014.
Classes dismiss one hour earlier.

The last day of elementary school classes is Thursday, June 25, 2015.
The last day of secondary school classes is Wednesday, June 24, 2015.

Statutory and Scheduled School Holidays

Labour Day -----Monday, September 1, 2014

Thanksgiving -----Monday, October 13, 2014

December Vacation-----Monday, December 22, 2014 - Friday, January 2, 2015
Last day of classes will be on Friday, December 19, 2014. Classes dismiss one hour earlier. Classes resume Monday, January 5, 2015.


Family Day-----Monday, February 16, 2015

March Break-----Friday, March 13, 2015 - Friday, March 20, 2015
Last day of classes will be on Thursday, March 12, 2015 and classes resume Monday, March 23, 2015.

Good Friday -----Friday, April 3, 2015

Easter Monday -----Monday, April 6, 2015

Victoria Day-----Monday, May 18, 2015



DURHAM DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

2014-2015

Elementary Modified School Calendar
C.E. Broughton PS & Winchester PS

Classes will begin on Tuesday, August 5, 2014.
Classes will dismiss one hour earlier on Tuesday, September 2, 2014. No early dismissal on August 5, 2014.
The last day of elementary school classes is Thursday, June 25, 2015.

Statutory and Scheduled School Holidays

Board Designated Holiday
Labour Day -----Friday, August 29, 2014
Monday, September 1, 2014

Thanksgiving -----Monday, October 13, 2014

October Break -----Monday, October 6, 2014 - Friday, October 17, 2014
Last day of classes will be on Friday, October 3, 2014 and classes resume Monday, October 20, 2014.

December Vacation-----Monday, December 22, 2014 - Friday, January 2, 2015
Last day of classes will be on Friday, December 19, 2014. Classes dismiss one hour earlier. Classes resume Monday, January 5, 2015.


Family Day-----Monday, February 16, 2015

March Break-----Monday, March 9, 2015 - Friday, March 20, 2015
Last day of classes will be on Friday, March 6, 2015 and classes resume Monday, March 23, 2015.

Good Friday -----Friday, April 3, 2015
Easter Monday -----Monday, April 6, 2015

Victoria Day-----Monday, May 18, 2015

May Break -----Tuesday, May 19, 2015 - Friday, May 22, 2015
Last day of classes will be on Friday, May 15, 2015 (Monday, May 18 is a statutory holiday) and classes resume Monday, May 25, 2015.



DURHAM DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

2014-2015

Secondary Modified School Calendar
Brock HS, Henry Street HS and Maxwell Heights SS

Classes begin on Monday, August 25, 2014.
Classes dismiss one hour earlier on Tuesday, September 2, 2014.
The last day of school classes will be Wednesday, June 24, 2015.

Statutory and Scheduled School Holidays

Labour Day -----Monday, September 1, 2014

Thanksgiving -----Monday, October 13, 2014

Board Designated Holidays -----Monday, November 3, 2014 - Friday, November 7, 2014
Last day of classes will be on Friday, October 31 and classes resume Monday, November 10, 2014.

December Vacation-----Monday, December 22, 2014 - Friday, January 2, 2015
Last day of classes will be on Friday, December 19, 2014 and classes resume Monday, January 5, 2015.

Family Day-----Monday, February 16, 2015

March Break-----Friday, March 13, 2015 - Friday, March 20, 2015
Last day of classes will be on Thursday, March 12, 2015 and classes resume Monday, March 23, 2015.

Good Friday -----Friday, April 3, 2015
Easter Monday -----Monday, April 6, 2015

Victoria Day-----Monday, May 18, 2015

Professional Activity (PA) Days
Apply to all schools and all calendars as noted.

Thursday, August 28, 2014 (elem & sec schools)
Friday, October 24, 2014 (sec schools only)
Friday, November 21, 2014 (elem & sec schools)
Friday, January 23, 2015 (elementary schools only)

Friday, February 13, 2015 (elem & sec schools)
Friday, June 5, 2015 (elementary schools only)
Thursday, June 25, 2015 (sec schools only)
Friday, June 26, 2015 (elem & sec schools)

Frequently Called Numbers

Education Centre

Accounting(905) 666-6464
Accountability & Assessment.....(905) 666-6026
Business & Financial Services.....(905) 666-6458
Communications(905) 666-6313
Community Partnerships.....(905) 666-6412
Community Use of Schools.....(905) 666-6930
Early Learning & Childcare(905) 666-8080
.....ext. 5440
Employee Relations/Services.....(905) 666-6343
Hiring(905) 666-6365
Equity, Diversity & Race Relations
.....(905) 666-6469
Occupational Health & Safety
.....(905) 666-8080
.....ext.5415
Operations(905) 666-6351
Payroll(905) 666-6418
Purchasing(905) 666-6442
Staff Development.....(905) 666-6927
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.....(905) 666-6402
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Durham Alternative Secondary School

421 Pine Avenue
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Durham Student Transportation Services

.....(905) 666-6395
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Durham Continuing Education/Summer School

120 Centre Street
Oshawa, ON L1H 4A3(905) 436-3211

e-Learning Durham

www.ddsb.ca(905) 666-6440

Facilities Services Division

Custodial Services(905) 666-6435
Energy & Mechanical Design
.....(905) 666-6994
Facilities Design & Construction
.....(905) 666-6978
Maintenance(905) 666-6002
Major Projects.....(905) 666-6353

School facilities are made available on a rental basis to responsible organizations when the facilities are not required for school purposes. For more information, please call, (905) 666-6930.

Facilities Services Division

Property & Planning(905) 666-6434
Security & Monitoring.....(905) 665-8932
Waste Reduction & Energy Conservation
.....(905) 666-6327

Special Education Department

.....(905) 666-6371

The Special Education Department's mission is to provide a range of programs, placements and services for students with special needs.

Special Education Officer

- Vice Principal
- Special Education Facilitators
- Co-ordinator Community Work Education
- Orientation & Mobility Instructor
- Vision Resource Teachers
- Hearing Resource Teachers

Chief Psychologist

- Psychologists
- Psychometrists

Chief Social Worker

- Attendance/Social Workers

Chief Speech-Language Pathologist

- Speech-Language Pathologists
- Audiologist
- Interveners & Interpreters

Mental Health Leader

Program Services Department

.....(905) 666-6356

Program Services supports student learning by focusing on:

- Aboriginal Education
- Accountability & Assessment
- Employability Skills (Co-op, OYAP, SCWI)
- English Language Learners (ESL, ELD)
- French as a Second Language
- French Immersion
- Instructional Strategies
- Integrated Media and Technology
- Literacy & Numeracy K-12
- MOE Initiatives (MISA, OFIP, SIM, CILM, SWS)
- Outdoor Education
- Student Success 7-12
- System & School-Based Staff Development

Senior Administration

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Parent Engagement.....(905) 666-6379
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Education Centre

400 Taunton Road East
Whitby, ON L1R 2K6
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1-800-265-3968
fax: (905) 666-6474
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Annual Information Calendar

The Durham District School Board's Annual Information Calendar is published by the communications department with thanks to the departments and schools for their contributions of photos and information. The calendar provides frequently used information and important dates for students, staff, parents and the community.

The information contained in the calendar was accurate at the time of publication but some information may change throughout the school year. Please check with your local elementary or secondary school or call the Education Centre to confirm specific dates and times.

Schools attempt to distribute the calendars on the basis of one per family, where possible. If you receive more than one copy, please feel free to return any extras to the school for redistribution to visitors or families moving into the area.

Your input about the information calendar is welcomed and appreciated. Please share your comments by completing the enclosed survey or by contacting the Board's communications department at:

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www.ddsb.ca



Pickering Schools

Elementary

● **Altona Forest PS**
405 Woodsmere Cres.
Pickering, ON
L1V 7A3
Principal R. Ripley
T: 905-839-9900
F: 905-839-6021

● **Bayview Heights PS**
1400 Garvolin Avenue
Pickering, ON
L1W 1J6
Principal J. Bricker
T: 905-839-1146
F: 905-839-1253

● **Claremont PS**
1675 Central Street
Claremont, ON
L1Y 1A8
Principal I. Syed
T: 905-649-2000
F: 905-649-3606

● **Elizabeth B. Phin PS**
1500 Rougemount Dr.
Pickering, ON
L1V 1N1
Principal K. Reimer
T: 905-509-2277
F: 905-509-5002

● **Fairport Beach PS**
754 Oklahoma Drive
Pickering, ON
L1W 2H5
Principal G. Rosenau
T: 905-839-1451
F: 905-839-1457

● **Frenchman's Bay PS**
920 Oklahoma Drive
Pickering, ON
L1W 2H7
Principal A. Harris
T: 905-839-1131
F: 905-839-1714

● **Gandatasetiagon PS**
1868 Parkside Drive
Pickering, ON
L1V 3R2
Principal B. Savard
T: 905-831-1868
F: 905-831-9633

● **Glengrove PS**
1934 Glengrove Road
Pickering, ON
L1V 1X2
Principal A. Goundry
T: 905-839-1771
F: 905-839-4877

● **Highbush PS**
605 Stroud's Lane
Pickering, ON
L1V 5M5
Principal V. Brooks
T: 905-839-5289
F: 905-839-1372

● **Maple Ridge PS**
2010 Bushmill Street
Pickering, ON
L1X 2M2
Principal D. Marton
T: 905-420-4103
F: 905-420-8493

● **Rosebank Road PS**
591 Rosebank Road
Pickering, ON
L1W 2N6
Principal J. Scholtzhauer
T: 905-509-2274
F: 905-509-2617

● **Sir J.A. Macdonald PS**
777 Balaton Avenue
Pickering, ON
L1W 1W7
Principal M. Lazarus
T: 905-839-1159
F: 905-839-7995

● **Valley Farm PS**
1615 Pepperwood Gate
Pickering, ON
L1X 2K5
Principal F. Gurdin
T: 905-428-6337
F: 905-686-9254

● **Valley View PS**
3530 Westney Road N.
Greenwood, ON
L0H 1H0
Principal G. Lew
T: 905-683-6208
F: 905-683-0424

● **Vaughan Willard PS**
1911 Dixie Road N.
Pickering, ON
L1V 1V4
Principal K. Ovenden
T: 905-839-1931
F: 905-839-6351

● **Westcreek PS**
1779 Westcreek Drive
Pickering, ON
L1V 6M9
Principal K. Wainwright
T: 905-509-5437
F: 905-509-8937

● **William Dunbar PS**
1030 Glenanna Road
Pickering, ON
L1V 5E5
Principal T. Rizzuto
T: 905-420-5745
F: 905-420-3954

Secondary

● **Dunbarton HS**
655 Sheppard Avenue
Pickering, ON
L1V 1G2
Principal R. Tennant
T: 905-839-1125
F: 905-839-6536

● **Pine Ridge SS**
2155 Liverpool Rd. N.
Pickering, ON
L1X 1V4
Principal S. Jones
T: 905-420-1885
F: 905-420-3714

● **Durham Alternative SS**
9-1400 Bayly Road
Pickering, ON L1W 3R2
Principal C. Higgs
T: 905-839-2913
F: 905-839-1603

Elementary

● **Alexander Graham Bell PS**
25 Harkins Drive
Ajax, ON
L1T 3T6
Principal M. Bashucky
T: 905-683-7368
F: 905-683-2018

● **Applecroft PS**
55 Coles Avenue
Ajax, ON
L1T 3H5
Principal C. Ramdial
T: 905-428-2775
F: 905-428-8591

● **Bolton C. Falby PS**
80 Falby Court
Ajax, ON
L1S 1N4
Principal B. Noble
T: 905-683-6240
F: 905-427-8648

● **Cadarackque PS**
15 Miles Drive
Ajax, ON
L1Z 1C7
Principal D. Hogg
T: 905-428-2347
F: 905-428-6163

● **Carruthers Creek PS**
1 Greenhalf Drive
Ajax, ON
L1S 7N6
Principal J. Steer
T: 905-683-0921
F: 905-683-7343

● **da Vinci PS**
61 Williamson Drive E.
Ajax, ON
L1T 0A9
Principal A. Della Torre
T: 905-686-2772
F: 905-619-7418

● **Dr. Roberta Bondar PS**
25 Sullivan Drive
Ajax, ON
L1T 3L3
Principal D. Royle
T: 905-686-1081
F: 905-686-1271

● **Duffin's Bay PS**
66 Pittmann Cres.
Ajax, ON
L1S 3G4
Principal C. Clement
T: 905-683-6023
F: 905-683-6694

● **Eagle Ridge PS**
425 Delaney Drive
Ajax, ON
L1T 4N1
Principal P. Belmonte
T: 905-426-4463
F: 905-426-5299

● **Lakeside PS**
4 Parkes Drive
Ajax, ON
L1S 4X1
Principal J. Love
T: 905-686-3014
F: 905-427-7985

● **Lester B. Pearson PS**
21 Coughlen Street
Ajax, ON
L1T 2M9
Principal H. Mundy
T: 905-427-4658
F: 905-427-1320

● **Lincoln Alexander PS**
95 Church Street N.
Ajax, ON
L1T 2W4
Principal T. Carr
T: 905-619-0357
F: 905-619-0328

Ajax Schools

● **Lincoln Avenue PS**
70 Lincoln Street
Ajax, ON
L1S 6C9
Principal P. Li
T: 905-683-4941
F: 905-683-0970

● **Lord Elgin PS**
24 Ontario Street
Ajax, ON
L1S 1T6
Principal A. Douglas
T: 905-683-3581
F: 905-683-3594

● **Nottingham PS**
50 Seggar Avenue
Ajax, ON
L1T 4Y4
Principal D. Fitchett
T: 905-683-0536
F: 905-683-7240

● **Roland Michener PS**
95 Ritchie Avenue
Ajax, ON
L1S 6S2
Principal D. Cotterill
T: 905-686-5437
F: 905-686-5439

● **Roméo Dallaire PS**
300 Williamson Drive E
Ajax, ON
L1Z 0H6
Principal B. Head
T: 905-428-6868
F: 905-426-5225

● **Southwood Park PS**
28 Lambard Cres.
Ajax, ON
L1S 1M5
Principal J. Wyatt
T: 905-683-5230
F: 905-683-0565

● **Terry Fox PS**
30 Kerrison Drive W.
Ajax, ON
L1Z 1K1
Principal T. Morton
T: 905-686-2135
F: 905-686-7187

● **Vimy Ridge PS**
40 Telford Street East
Ajax, ON
L1T 4Z4
Principal L. Lafranier
T: 905-686-4376
F: 905-686-4363

● **Westney Heights PS**
45 Brennan Road
Ajax, ON
L1T 1X5
Principal J. Blizzard
T: 905-427-7819
F: 905-427-8631

Secondary

● **Ajax HS**
105 Bayly Street East
Ajax, ON L1S 1P2
Principal B. Woodward
T: 905-683-1610
F: 905-683-0856

● **J. Clarke Richardson Collegiate**
1355 Harwood Ave N.
Ajax, ON L1T 4G8
Principal R. Kennelly
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F: 905-619-9573

● **Pickering HS**
180 Church Street N.
Ajax, ON L1T 2W7
Principal P. Matsushita
T: 905-683-4760
F: 905-683-0491

Whitby Schools

Elementary

● **Bellwood PS**
30 Bellwood Drive
Whitby, ON
L1N 8M4
Principal A. Walters
T: 905-436-0098
F: 905-433-7018

● **Blair Ridge PS**
100 Blackfriar Avenue
Brooklin, ON
L1M 0E8
Principal G. Perroni
T: 905-620-1221
F: 905-620-1267

● **Brooklin Village PS**
25 Selkirk Drive
Brooklin, ON
L1M 2L5
Principal L. Malandrino
T: 905-655-2015
F: 905-655-6234

● **C.E. Broughton PS**
80 Crawford Street
Whitby, ON
L1N 9L6
Principal L. Wilhelm
T: 905-665-8229
F: 905-665-8231

● **Captain Michael VandenBos PS**
3121 Country Lane
Whitby, ON
L1P 1N3
Principal K. Schmidlechner
T: 905-665-2001
F: 905-665-2004

● **Chris Hadfield PS**
160 Carnwith Drive W
Whitby, ON
L1M 0A5
Principal S. Jasper
T: 905-620-1282
F: 905-620-0092

● **Col. J.E. Farewell PS**
810 McQuay Blvd.
Whitby, ON
L1P 1J1
Principal D. Black
T: 905-666-3901
F: 905-666-3659

● **Dr. R. Thornton PS**
101 Hazelwood Drive
Whitby, ON
L1N 3L4
Principal N. Dindar
T: 905-723-9912
F: 905-576-4066

● **E.A. Fairman PS**
620 Walnut Street
Whitby, ON
L1N 2W8
Principal W. Holmes
T: 905-668-2251
F: 905-668-1645

● **Fallingbrook PS**
155 Fallingbrook St.
Whitby, ON
L1R 2G2
Principal J. Knox
T: 905-668-5211
F: 905-668-6962

● **Glen Dhu PS**
29 Fallingbrook Street
Whitby, ON
L1R 1M7
Principal C. Treadgold
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F: 905-668-8318

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144 Whitburn Street
Whitby, ON
L1R 2N1
Principal G. Hefford
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● **John Dryden PS**
40 Rolling Acres Drive
Whitby, ON
L1R 2A1
Principal S. Lunn
T: 905-434-7400
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300 Garden Street
Whitby, ON
L1N 3W4
Principal M. de Villers
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F: 905-668-7555

● **Meadowcrest PS**
20 Vipond Road
Brooklin, ON
L1M 1B3
Principal T. Lewis
T: 905-655-3731
F: 905-655-4779

● **Ormiston PS**
20 Forest Heights St.
Whitby, ON
L1R 1T5
Principal M. MacDonald
T: 905-430-8755
F: 905-430-4709

● **Pringle Creek PS**
80 Ribblesdale Drive
Whitby, ON
L1N 8M1
Principal R. Price
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F: 905-430-3832

● **Robert Munsch PS**
20 Norista Street
Whitby, ON
L1R 0J2
Principal L. Park
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● **Sir Samuel Steele PS**
55 Bakerville Street
Whitby, ON
L1R 2S6
Principal M. Magee
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F: 905-723-0297

● **Sir William Stephenson PS**
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Whitby, ON
L1N 4A6
Principal D. Lee
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● **West Lynde PS**
270 Watford Street
Whitby, ON
L1N 6B1
Principal B. Bradley
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F: 905-668-5798

● **Whitby Shores PS**
485 Whitby Shores
Greenway
Whitby, ON
L1N 0G8
Principal J. Barclay
T: 905-666-6667
F: 905-666-6673

● **Williamsburg PS**
20 Kirkland Place
Whitby, ON
L1P 1W7
Principal P. Creer
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F: 905-668-7646

● **Winchester PS**
70 Watford Street
Brooklin, ON
L1M 1E8
Principal D. Marchand
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Secondary

● **Anderson CVI**
400 Anderson Street
Whitby, ON
L1N 3V6
Principal C. Karakokinos
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● **Donald A. Wilson SS**
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Whitby, ON
L1P 1Y1
Principal S. Nevills
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F: 905-665-1434

● **Henry Street HS**
600 Henry Street
Whitby, ON
L1N 5C7
Principal C. Bryan
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F: 905-668-3473

● **Sinclair SS**
380 Taunton Road E.
Whitby, ON
L1R 2K5
Principal V. Pidgeon
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F: 905-666-6902

● **Unnamed Brooklin SS**
20 Carnwith Drive W.
Brooklin, ON
L1M 0K7
Principal W. Palmer
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F: 905-655-6234

● **e-learning Durham**
400 Taunton Road E
Whitby, ON
L1R 2K6
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Oshawa Schools

Elementary

Adelaide McLaughlin PS
630 Stevenson Rd. N.
Oshawa, ON
L1J 5P1
Principal N. Palumbo
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F: 905-728-8471

Beau Valley PS
230 Marigold Avenue
Oshawa, ON
L1G 3G3
Principal D. Lambert
T: 905-576-1938
F: 905-576-7519

Bobby Orr PS
7 Waterloo Street
Oshawa, ON
L1H 8V9
Principal K. Morrison
T: 905-723-3621
F: 905-725-6193

Clara Hughes PS
610 Taylor Avenue
Oshawa, ON
L1H 2E7
Principal S. Simeson
T: 905-728-1212
F: 905-728-7315

College Hill PS
530 Laval Street
Oshawa, ON
L1J 6R2
Principal T. Marek
T: 905-723-2876
F: 905-723-7706

Coronation PS
441 Adelaide Ave. E.
Oshawa, ON
L1G 2A4
Principal S. Powers
T: 905-725-2032
F: 905-576-5848

David Bouchard PS
570 Shakespeare Ave.
Oshawa, ON
L1H 3H6
Principal A. Gilmour
T: 905-725-8271
F: 905-725-0207

Dr. C.F. Cannon PS
1196 Cedar Street
Oshawa, ON
L1J 3S2
Principal C. Cox
T: 905-725-0344
F: 905-725-8233

Dr. S.J. Phillips PS
625 Simcoe Street N.
Oshawa, ON
L1G 4V5
Principal P.J. Scott
T: 905-725-4232
F: 905-725-2430

Forest View PS
65 Athabasca Street
Oshawa, ON
L1H 7H7
Principal E. Elmhurst
905-723-8233
905-723-5356

Glen Street PS
929 Glen Street
Oshawa, ON
L1J 3T9
Principal D. Nickerson
T: 905-723-8821
F: 905-723-9960

Gordon B. Attersley PS
1110 Attersley Drive
Oshawa, ON
L1K 1X8
Principal C. Baggesen
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F: 905-576-8498

Harmony Heights PS
590 Galahad Drive
Oshawa, ON
L1K 1M2
Principal P. Barker-Adams
T: 905-433-8933
F: 905-571-5395

Hillsdale PS
525 Oshawa Blvd. N.
Oshawa, ON
L1G 5T6
Principal J. Krattiger
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F: 905-723-3918

Kedron PS
1935 Ritson Road N.
Oshawa, ON
L1H 7K5
Principal L. Herr
T: 905-728-2851
F: 905-728-8361

Lakewoods PS
323 Chaleur Avenue
Oshawa, ON
L1J 1G5
Principal L. Lapointe
T: 905-576-8820
F: 905-576-0314

Mary Street Community School
110 Mary Street
Oshawa, ON
L1G 7S2
Principal K. Janowski
T: 905-433-8910
F: 905-433-2476

Norman G. Powers PS
1555 Coldstream Drive
Oshawa, ON
L1K 3B5
Principal G. Anderson
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F: 905-728-5477

Pierre E. Trudeau PS
1111 Beatrice Street E.
Oshawa, ON
L1K 2S7
Principal B. Hardy
T: 905-725-7353
F: 905-725-4892

Queen Elizabeth PS
1205 Simcoe Street N.
Oshawa, ON
L1G 4X1
Principal S. Craig
T: 905-723-7042
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Seneca Trail PS
1915 Queensbury Dr
Oshawa, ON
L1K 0S1
Principal M. Bowman
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F: 905-728-4861

Sherwood PS
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Oshawa, ON
L1K 2W6
Principal B. Bedford
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Oshawa, ON
L1J 7V1
Principal R. Sigfridsson
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Sunset Heights PS
1130 Mohawk Street
Oshawa, ON
L1G 4G7
Principal C. Boychyn
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Village Union PS
240 Simcoe Street S.
Oshawa, ON
L1H 4H4
Principal S. Harris
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F: 905-725-0259

Vincent Massey PS
211 Harmony Road N.
Oshawa, ON
L1G 6L4
Principal D. Robson
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495 Central Park
Blvd. N.
Oshawa, ON
L1G 6A2
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T: 905-728-4532
F: 905-728-8149

Waverly PS
100 Waverly Street S.
Oshawa, ON
L1J 5V1
Principal S. Savard
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F: 905-728-9677

Woodcrest PS
506 Woodcrest Ave.
Oshawa, ON
L1J 2T8
Principal T. Cant
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F: 905-725-5820

Secondary

Eastdale CVI
265 Harmony Road N.
Oshawa, ON
L1G 6L4
Principal B. Levine
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F: 905-723-7024

G.L. Roberts CVI
399 Chaleur Avenue
Oshawa, ON
L1J 1G5
Principal L. Sharp
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F: 905-728-7760

Maxwell Heights SS
1100 Coldstream Drive
Oshawa, ON
L1K 0K6
Principal K. Boehm
T: 905-440-4472
F: 905-440-7333

O'Neill CVI
301 Simcoe Street N.
Oshawa, ON
L1G 4T2
Principal K. Cho
T: 905-728-7531
F: 905-728-2425

Oshawa Central CI
155 Gibb Street
Oshawa, ON
L1J 1Y4
Principal K. Sivell
T: 905-723-4678
F: 905-723-9361

R.S. McLaughlin CVI
570 Stevenson Rd. N.
Oshawa, ON
L1J 5P1
Principal J. Thomas
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Grove Schools
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Elementary

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Joseph Gould PS
144 Planks Lane
Uxbridge, ON
L9P 1M6
Principal G. Gailits
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F: 905-852-7237

Quaker Village PS
295 Brock Street W.
Uxbridge, ON
L9P 1G1
Principal L. Hogan
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F: 905-852-7692

Scott Central PS
421 Regional Rd. #11
Sandford, ON
L0C 1E0
Principal E. Matthews
T: 905-852-9751
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Uxbridge PS
64 Victoria Drive
Uxbridge, ON
L9P 1H2
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Secondary

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127 Planks Lane
Uxbridge, ON
L9P 1K5
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Scugog Schools

Elementary

Cartwright Central PS
10 Alexander Street
Blackstock, ON
L0B 1B0
Principal E. Kagazchi
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F: 905-986-1506

Epsom PS
16051 Marsh Hill Road
Port Perry, ON
L9L 1Y2
Principal A. Peel
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F: 905-985-4530

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L0C 1B0
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Prince Albert PS
13700 Old Simcoe Rd.
Prince Albert, ON
L9L 1C3
Principal J. Foster
T: 905-985-2877
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R.H. Cornish PS
494 Queen Street
Port Perry, ON
L9L 1K2
Principal A. McAuley
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S.A. Cawker PS
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Port Perry, ON L9L 1P3
Principal B. Shearing
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F: 905-985-0724

Secondary

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160 Rosa St., Box 870
Port Perry, ON
L9L 1L7
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Elementary

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270 King Street W.
Beaverton, ON
L0K 1A0
Principal M. Cruikshanks
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McCaskill's Mills PS
85 Albert Street
Cannington, ON
L0E 1E0
Principal B. Brouse
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F: 705-432-3255

Sunderland PS
41 Albert St., Box 9
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L0C 1H0
Principal R. Huebert
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Brock Schools

Secondary

Brock HS
R.R. #1 C1590
Concession 12
Cannington, ON
L0E 1E0
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DURHAM DIRECTIONS

Our Plan for Student and School Success

Promote Student Achievement and Discovery

- Set high expectations for student achievement and measure the outcomes
- Focus on literacy and numeracy as key areas of learning
- Deliver a range of programs to meet the learning needs of all students
- Strive to be leaders in Special Education
- Use technology effectively to enhance student learning
- Support students' development through the arts and physical activity
- Promote critical and creative thinking to prepare students to face challenges and changes
- Provide opportunities to develop leadership skills in staff and students



Ensure Openness, Accountability and Safety

- Provide safe and secure learning and work environments
- Promote positive relationships among all staff, students, and parents
- Provide complete information about student progress and achievement to parents/guardians
- Promote effective management of available resources
- Provide opportunities for staff and students to demonstrate respect for our environment
- Ensure a welcoming environment in all schools and Board offices
- Communicate openly and proactively with the public

Implement Equitable Principles and Practices

- Strive to provide equitable services, programs and facilities
- Support diversity through anti-racism and equity education
- Attract and retain a diverse staff of dedicated professionals
- Encourage cooperation, acceptance and respect in our school communities
- Provide opportunities for students to develop positive character traits
- Support quality education through system-wide professional learning for staff



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