

Welcome to D.M.C.I.'S Opening Assembly

⌘ ON TIME

⌘ ON TASK

⌘ ON TARGET FOR SUCCESS



Principal's Welcome

C. Browne



S.A.C. - President's Welcome



⌘ President -	Jimmy Zhuang
⌘ VP -	Henry Lin
⌘ Treasurer -	Geoffrey Leung
⌘ Secretary -	Anold Mwanri
⌘ Athletic Convenors -	Madeleine Tooke Ezana Debalkew
⌘ Arts Convenor -	Josie Spalla
⌘ Social Convenor -	Vivian An
⌘ Fundraiser -	Josh Hanson
⌘ Media -	Slavic Iachkov

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS and RESPONSIBILITIES

- ⌘ All students must be allowed to learn in an environment where they are treated with respect, dignity, and understanding.
- ⌘ The TDSB is committed to a school system and workplace that is free of discrimination and harassment.



Show Respect & Responsibility



- ⌘ Be prepared, on time and ready to learn
- ⌘ Show respect for self, others, and those in authority
- ⌘ Do not compromise the safety of others
- ⌘ Follow rules and policies
- ⌘ Take responsibility for your actions

Student Expectations



- ⌘ Exercise self-discipline
- ⌘ Accept consequences for your actions
- ⌘ Be courteous
- ⌘ Show respect for school property
- ⌘ Understand and comply with DMCI's code of conduct

HUMAN RIGHTS AND YOU



- ⌘ Harassment - engaging in any annoying and/or provoking comment or conduct that is considered unwelcome
- ⌘ Discrimination - Any practice or behaviour, whether intentional or not, which has a negative effect on an individual or group because of their:

HUMAN RIGHTS AND YOU



Age

Ancestry

Citizenship

Colour

Creed (Faith)

Disability

Ethnic Origin

Family Status

Gender

Gender Identity

Place of Origin

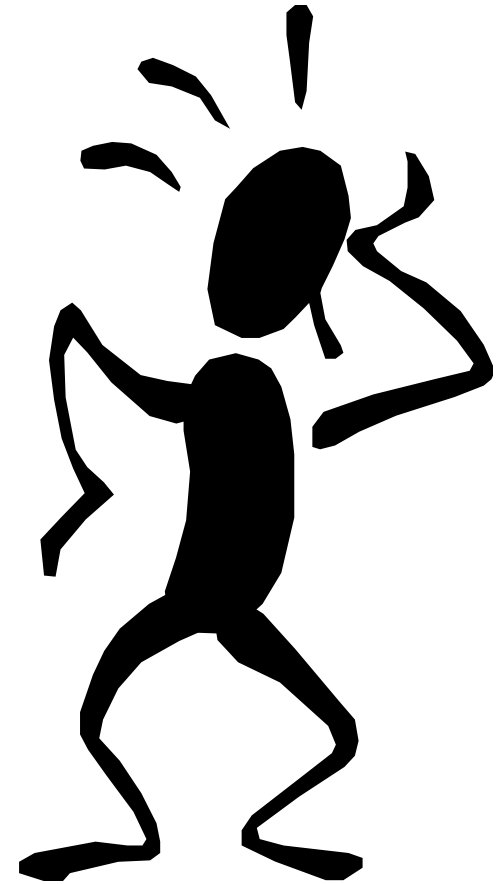
Race

Sexual Orientation

Socio-economic
Status

Safe Schools

- ⌘ Chart of Consequences of Inappropriate Student Behaviour
.....see Agenda
(TDSB section – 5th Page)



Police Involvement



- ⌘ Uttering a threat to inflict serious **bodily harm** on another person;
- ⌘ Possessing **alcohol or illegal drugs**;
- ⌘ Committing an act of **vandalism** that causes extensive damage to school property at the student's school; or
- ⌘ Hate motivated violence
- ⌘ Extortion.

Mandatory Suspensions /Possible Expulsion



- ⌘ **Possessing a weapon**, including possessing a firearm;
- ⌘ **Using a weapon** to cause or to threaten bodily harm to another person;
- ⌘ Committing **physical assault** on another person that causes bodily harm requiring treatment by a medical practitioner;
- ⌘ Committing **sexual assault**;
- ⌘ **Trafficking** in **weapons** or **illegal drugs**;
- ⌘ Committing **robbery**;
- ⌘ Giving **alcohol to a minor**; or
- ⌘ Possession of an **explosive substance**

BULLYING



- Can be verbal or physical
- Usually not a one time event but rather a pattern of continued harassment over an extended period of time
- Is a learned behavior and can be unlearned

Code of Conduct Applies



- ⌘ On school premises
- ⌘ On field trips and any activities that are part of the school program
- ⌘ On school bus or any vehicle under contract to the board
- ⌘ Off school premises where conduct has impact on safety, security, or physical & mental well-being of any member of school community

Keeping Our Kids Safe at School Act



- ⌘ All School Staff must report serious incidents that could lead to suspension or expulsion
- ⌘ Principals must notify parents of victims when a student has been harmed

Don Mills Community



Apartment buildings are
PRIVATE PROPERTY

⌘ No loitering

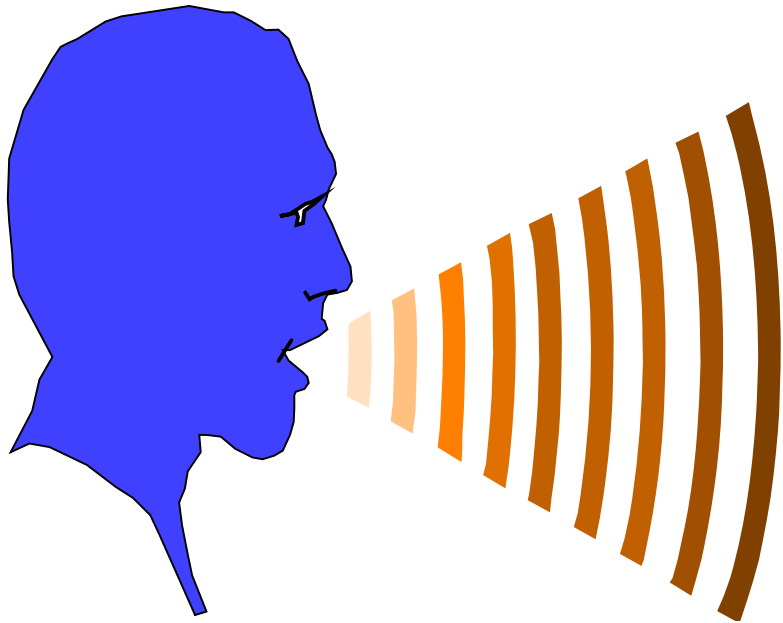
⌘ No trespassing

⌘ Show courtesy when on
sidewalks in front of school

School Policies – Mr. Fewson

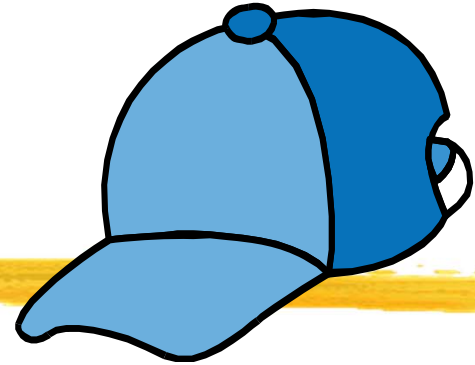


Code of Behavior



- ⌘ Pages 16-23 in Student Agenda – DMCI section
- ⌘ Your responsibility to read and become familiar with all of the school policies

Headgear Policy



- ⌘ Each school must establish a dress code.
- ⌘ DMCI's School Council voted to implement a no headgear policy.
- ⌘ Policy states: "Students are expected, upon entering the building to remove their hats, bandannas or other non-religious head coverings."
- ⌘ Students ignoring this policy could be suspended.

Personal Electronic Device Policy



- ⌘ The school is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- ⌘ PEDs may be used in class for educational purposes, if permitted by the teacher.
- ⌘ PEDs may be used outside of the classroom as long as they do not interfere with classroom or extra-curricular activities.
- ⌘ Inappropriate use of electronic media will lead to suspension.
- ⌘ Emergency calls can be made in the main office.

Plagiarism Policy

- ⌘ Page 19-20 and 28-29 in Student Agenda – DMCI section (Academic Honesty)
- ⌘ Discuss expectations with your teachers in advance!

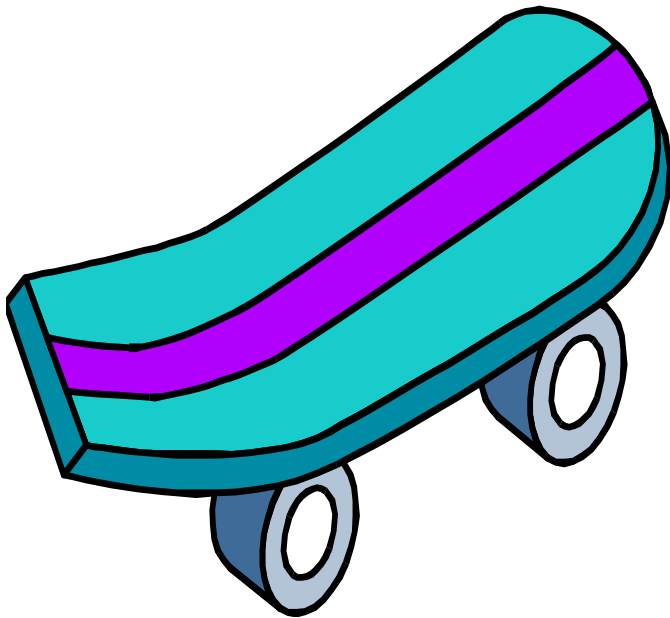


Smoking Policy



⌘ Smoking is not allowed by anyone (staff, students, parents and visitors) in school buildings or on school property at any time. Smoking is also not allowed in any vehicle on school property.

Skateboards - Scooters



- ⌘ Students are asked not to bring skateboards or scooters on school property
- ⌘ Use of skateboards or scooters on school property can lead to suspension

Auto Issues



- ⌘ Driving to school is a privilege
- ⌘ Park in designated parking spots
- ⌘ Drive responsibly

SAFE SCHOOLS – School Action Team



- ⌘ School Based Safety Monitor
- ⌘ Student-led group.
- ⌘ Partnership between Toronto Police, school boards and community organizations
- ⌘ Focused on developing safe school communities
- ⌘ INTERESTED IN JOINING?
CONNECT WITH --Mr. Fewson or Mr. Forsyth

School Climate – Mr. Gordon



Character Development

BUILD CHARACTER
BUILD SUCCESS

- ⌘ The TDSB values safe, caring, and inclusive learning environments where every student feels valued. In addition to academic improvement, we focus on the social, physical and emotional development of our students.
- ⌘ 10 positive character attributes that we will be promoting in our school...

Character Development



⌘ Respect

⌘ Empathy

⌘ Teamwork

⌘ Honesty

⌘ Integrity

⌘ Responsibility

⌘ Kindness & Caring

⌘ Fairness

⌘ Co-operation

⌘ Perseverance

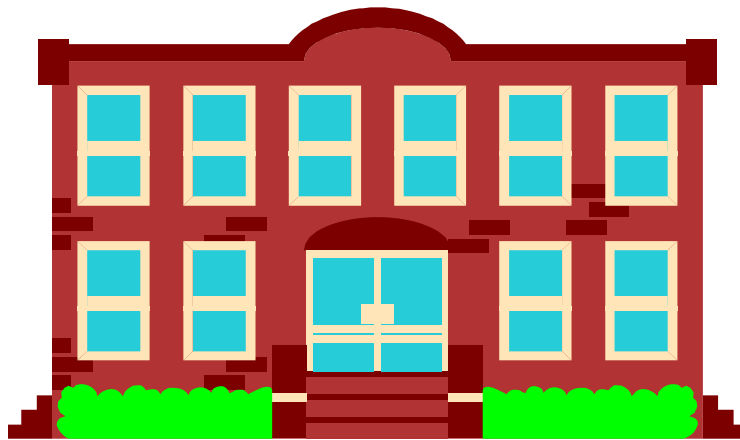
For the month of September we will focus on
RESPECT

Punctuality



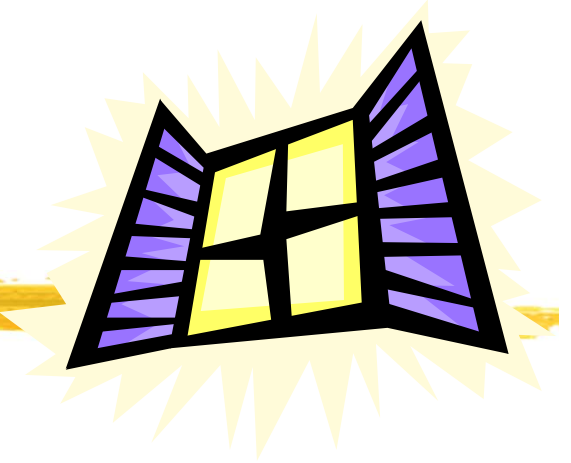
- ⌘ Arriving late disturbs the learning opportunity for others.
- ⌘ BE ON TIME!
- ⌘ When returning to class after an absence, submit a note of explanation to the teacher.
- ⌘ Sign in and out of the main office with a note.
- ⌘ Consequences for lates and absences

Care of Environment



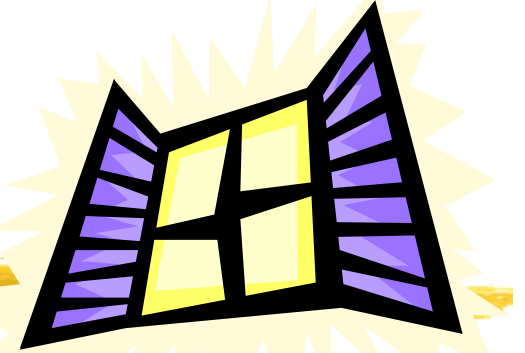
- ⌘ A healthy and clean facility.
- ⌘ Take precautions for the security of your own property.
- ⌘ Show respect and care for the property of the school and that of others.

Halls, Cafeteria, Rooms, Outdoors



- ⌘ No eating in classrooms
- ⌘ Basketball court
- ⌘ Middle school
- ⌘ Quiet study in library (closed period 1)
- ⌘ Use the café to consume food and chat with friends

Halls, Cafeteria, Rooms, Outdoors



- ⌘ Students are to leave the school by 3:45
- ⌘ Many hallways will be off-limits during lunch periods
- ⌘ All students in the hallway during their class time must have a Hall Pass!
- ⌘ **15 Minute Rule – no leaving class during the first or last 15 minutes!**

Fire Alarms



- ⌘ When a fire alarm rings, you **MUST** leave the building
- ⌘ Stay with your class (no stopping at lockers, etc.)
- ⌘ It is a criminal offence to pull a fire alarm

Threats to School Safety



- ⌘ An announcement will be made to advise staff and students of a “Threat to School Safety” (lockdown), and we expect all instructions to be followed.
- ⌘ It could be a practice or an actual situation where there is a need to secure students in the building.

Threats to School Safety



⌘ There are 2 situations that could occur:

☑ Hold & Secure – Problem in the neighbourhood

☑ Full Lockdown – Active situation in the school

Cyberbullying



- ⌘ Using electronic means to intimidate, harm, exclude or ruin a reputation
- ⌘ Includes the use of emails & instant messaging, text or digital imaging sent on cell phones, web pages & web logs (blogs), chat rooms and discussion groups

What to do?



⌘ Save

- ☑ E-mail addresses
- ☑ Date and time received
- ☑ Copies of relevant e-mail with full headers

Breakfast For Learning

A healthy
breakfast
means positive
student
learning



Eat well
to learn
well!



It is my pleasure
to serve you.
How would you
like your eggs?

Breakfast For Learning

Breakfast will be served in the caf starting later in September

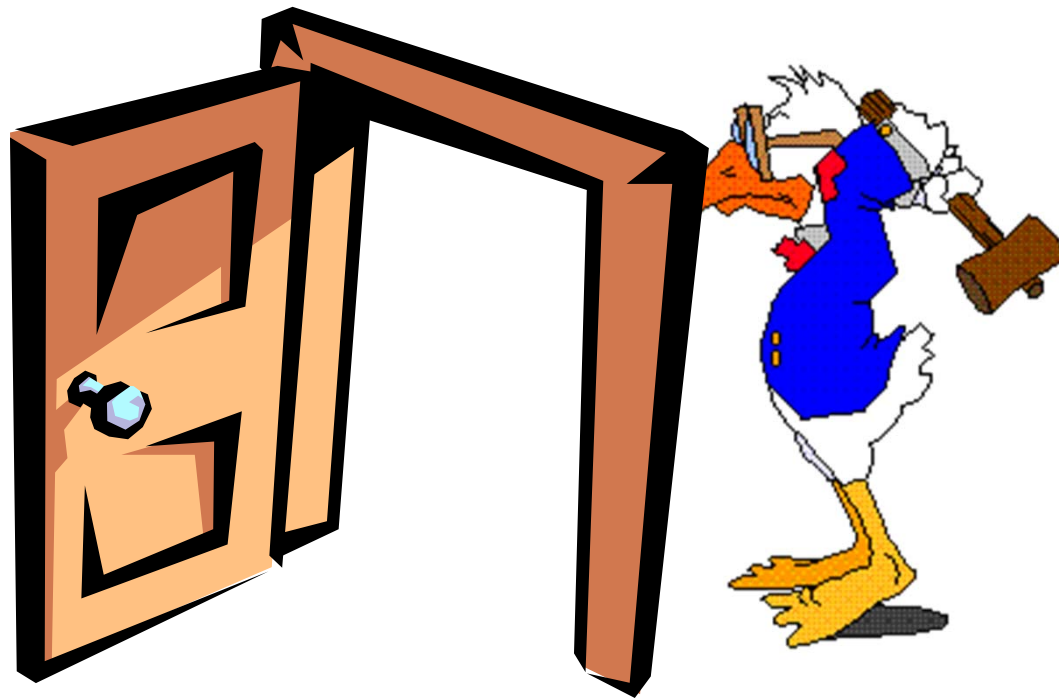


We're here to help you get a healthy start to the school day!



It is my pleasure to serve you, Mon. to Fri. 7:30 am to 8:30 am

Open Door Policy



⌘ Administration

⌘ Guidance

Extra Curricular Activities

- C. Reid

- ⌘ MUST HAVE AN AVERAGE OF 60% AND BE PASSING HALF OF YOUR CLASSES IN YOUR LAST REPORT CARD, AND MAINTAIN THAT STANDARD DURING THE SEASON.
- ⌘ ONLY FULL-TIME STUDENTS WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN SPORTS AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES!



Student Support Services

- K. Phillipson



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⌘ K. Phillipson (A-H)

⌘ S. Maurer (I-U)

⌘ Y. Tuong (V-Z and ESL & VISA)

⌘ H. Farah GUIDANCE SECRETARY – AM

⌘ A. Thomas GUIDANCE SECRETARY - PM




Appointments for non-timetetable issues



⌘ Starting, Monday, Sept. 17...

- Personal...
- Career...
- Education...

APPOINTMENT SLIPS

dmci guidance		appointment slip
must be used when making an appointment during class time		
complete when making appointment	circle reason →	timetable / diploma credits post-secondary / career education other
	date issued...	
	student name...	
	subject class teacher...	
	guidance counsellor...	
	day + date of appointment...	
	time of appointment...	
	approved by guidance (ask secretary)...	
day of appointment	counsellor's signature	
return to class 		

Additional Support from...



- ⌘ Dr. Laura Friedlander, Psychologist
- ⌘ Ms. Elsia Lacaria, Social Worker
- ⌘ Ms. Margo McLean, Child & Youth Worker
- ⌘ Ms. Lok Chee Wu, Settlement Worker

OSSD Credits Outside DMCI

⌘ Night School

☑ International Languages



☑ Once a week all year

☑ REGISTRATION DEADLINE –
SEPTEMBER 19

DMCI Peer Tutoring

Students helping students to succeed

- ⌘ Did you earn 80+% in one or more subjects?
- ⌘ Are you enthusiastic and interested in helping another student?
- ⌘ Do you want to earn Community Involvement hours?

If you answered YES to these questions, you are a candidate for a **DMCI Peer Tutor!**

- ⌘ Do you attend classes regularly?
- ⌘ Do you work hard in your classes?
- ⌘ Would you like to get some help from a fellow student in one or more of your classes?

If you answered YES to these questions, you are a candidate for a **DMCI Learning Partner!**

Starting soon...listen to the morning announcements for more info







GRADE 9 ORIENTATION

⌘ Green Acres Field Trip!

📅 October 2ND, 2012

