

A. Y. Jackson

News Update
Sept 30th 2022



AYJ News Update – Sept 23/2022

Good afternoon AYJ Community! We have made it through the first month of the new school year and we have been “Getting Back to Business”!

School Athletic teams have started, we have a dance under our belts, Piano Night was a huge success and we will be unveiling over 50 clubs and activities at our ClubFest next week (see below).

As always, see the important list of items below:

Meet our Grad Coach for Black Students, Keisha Evans

We are pleased to have Ms Keisha Evans return to AYJ this year in the role of Graduation Coach for Black students. She is an invaluable resource who comes with a dynamic background of experience in this type of role.

Any student/family that would like to reach out to Keisha can email her at Keisha.Evans@tdsb.on.ca or they can drop in to see her when she is in the building (at AYJ on Tuesdays and Thursdays).

Welcome Back Keisha!!

School Activity Fee for 2022-2023

In consultation with the AY Jackson School (Parent) Council, a student activity fee was confirmed. As per previous years, students are expected to pay a student activity fee of \$40.00 that will enable them to obtain a yearbook, a student activity (library) card and a student planner (for those who wish to use one).

All grade nine students and those students who are new to AY Jackson will be issued a Dudley high security lock which has proven quite successful in minimizing or preventing locker break-ins. Students in grades 10, 11, and 12 may continue to use the Dudley lock they had last year, or purchase a new one from the Main Office. The use of a Dudley lock is mandatory. Our school is used not only during the school day, but also during the evenings and the weekends, throughout the year making locker security a priority.

Of you haven't already done so, we ask that families go to SchoolCashOnline and complete this transaction. Please contact the school office if you have any questions about this important school task.

ClubFest: Tuesday, October 4th

Is your child thinking about joining a club? Looking to meet new people? Looking for something new to try? Looking to build new skills like leadership and communication? Start your journey here! AYJ is hosting it's first 2022-23 ClubFest on Tuesday, October 4th. SAC will be hosting a **VIRTUAL** assembly

during period 2, followed by a marketplace display of our various clubs in the front foyer. We will follow an **assembly day schedule**.

Assembly Day Schedule

9:00am to 10:05am	Day 2/Period 1
10:10am to 11:05am	Day 2/Period 2
11:05am to 12:00pm	VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY (in your class)
12:00pm to 1:00pm	LUNCH
1:05pm to 2:10pm	Day 2/Period 3
2:15pm to 3:15pm	Day 2/Period 4

Grade 9 Curriculum Night, October 5th

Welcome, Grade 9 families! We are excited to have you join us at AY Jackson SS this year.

You are invited to AY Jackson's Grade 9 Curriculum night. This is an opportunity to learn about your child's high school experience. You will receive critical information that will benefit your child's learning throughout the year. At curriculum night, you can expect admin, student council and department presentations from ACLs on grade 9 school year and curriculum and there will be opportunities to ask questions.

Here are the event details:

When: Wednesday, October 5th from 6-7:30pm.

Where: Virtual event

Zoom link: <https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/98515488518?pwd=Vk41OXBFeMVsUmpnRjNoeTZPb2VBUT09>

Meeting ID: 985 1548 8518

Passcode: 674146

Dial by your location

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See **FLYER** for more details

(Click the hyper-link)

Initial AYJ School (Parent) Council Virtual Mtg – Wed Oct 12th

Please hold the date of Wednesday, October 12th for our first AYJ School (Parent) Council Virtual Meeting. More information and a zoom link will follow next week.

Parent-Teacher Virtual Interview Afternoon/Evening – Thurs Oct 20th

We have confirmed the date for **our Semester One Parent Teacher Virtual Interviews**. Please hold the date of **Thursday, October 20th** with an afternoon interview session from 2:00pm to 4:00pm and an evening session from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

To accommodate student learning on **October 20th** we will be following the schedule listed below:

Day 2 Early Dismissal Schedule

9:00am to 9:35am	Day 2/Period 1
9:40am to 10:10am	Day 2/Period 2
10:15am to 10:45am	Day 2/Period 3
10:50am to 11:20am	Day 2/Period 4
11:20am	Classes Dismissed for the day

2:00pm to 4:00pm Afternoon Parent-Teacher Virtual Interviews (by pre-booked appointment)
6:00pm to 8:00pm Evening Parent-Teacher Virtual Interviews (by pre-booked appointment)

Interview bookings will be completed via a third party vendor (details will follow) and teacher specific Zoom links will be shared for those on the interview list.

This process will be **open** for all to book on Tuesday, October 11th at 9:00am and will **close** on Wednesday, October 19th at 12:00pm.

More details will follow.

Important Upcoming Dates

Monday, October 3rd

Day 1 Regular Day Schedule

Per 1	9:00am to 10:20am	Course 1
Per 2	10:25am to 11:40am	Course 2
Lunch	11:40am to 12:40pm	LUNCH
Per 3	12:40pm to 1:55pm	Course 3
Per 4	2:00pm to 3:15pm	Course 4

Tuesday, October 4th

Day 2 Regular Day Schedule (am & pm courses flip)

Per 1	9:00am to 10:20am	Course 2
Per 2	10:25am to 11:40am	Course 1
Lunch	11:40am to 12:40pm	LUNCH
Per 3	12:40pm to 1:55pm	Course 4
Per 4	2:00pm to 3:15pm	Course 3

* Please keep in mind that the "Cycle Day" (Day 1 or 2) corresponds to the actual date (odd days - 1st, 3rd, 5th, etc are **Day 1**, even days - 2nd, 4th, 6th, etc are **Day 2**)

Tuesday, October 4th

Club Fest, Assembly Day Schedule (see above)

Wednesday, October 5th

Grade 9 Curriculum Night at 6:00pm
(see Zoom link above)

Friday, October 7th

TDSB Professional Activity Day, NO CLASSES

Monday, October 10th

Thanksgiving Day Holiday – School CLOSED, NO CLASSES

Tuesday, October 11th

**Parent Teacher VIRTUAL Interview Afternoon/Evening
BOOKING WINDOW OPENS at 9:00am** (Limited spaces available)

Wednesday, October 12th

School (Parent Council) Initial Virtual Meeting at 6:00pm
(Zoom link and pre-reg info will follow)

Wednesday, October 19th **Parent Teacher VIRTUAL Interview Afternoon/Evening**
BOOKING WINDOW CLOSSES at 12:00pm (Limited spaces available)

Wednesday, October 19th **AYJ Late Start Schedule** – classes begin at 9:55am

Thursday, October 20th **Parent Teacher VIRTUAL Interview Afternoon/Evening**
-early dismissal schedule (see above)
-online interviews, 2pm to 4pm AND 6pm to 8pm
-prebooked appts only

Wednesday, October 26th **AYJ Late Start Schedule** – classes begin at 9:55am

Wednesday, October 26th **AYJ Semester ONE Credit Rescue Day** (by teacher invite)
– **RESCUE** classes begin at 9:55am
-**ALL** other students will work Asynchronously from **HOME**

That's all for now AYJ,

Have a great weekend!

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