

# BOWMORE ROAD BULLETIN

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## School Website

Please visit our school website for important information and upcoming events.

<https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/bowmore/>

## Principal's Message

As we head toward the end of October, it's always great when the warm weather holds out so the kids can enjoy a dry and fun Halloween night. Fingers crossed we don't need to break out the raincoats and hats! Bowmore will be keeping up the tradition with our annual Halloween Parade around the block, and we welcome everyone in the community to come out and enjoy all the fantastic costumes. The parade will start around 1pm with the Kindergarten students leading the way.

While we know costumes might include masks and pretend weapons, we ask that those items stay at home for everyone's safety. If you're unsure about what's allowed, feel free to check with your teacher.

## Remembrance Day Committee

Dear Families,

For our Remembrance Day Assembly, we are creating a montage of photos of family members related to staff and students who served in the military. We are asking that any families from students in Grade 6-8 who have a family member who served, you are welcome to send a photo to Mr. Sekdorian to be included in our Remembrance Day assembly. Please note, if you have previously sent a photo in previous years, it will already be included (do not resend)

Please include the following:

- Photo should be a JPEG.
- The Subject line should read: Remembrance Day Photo.
- The email should include the name of the student and what grade they are in.

\*The email should include the name of the family member along with with what war/regiment/role they had

\*send the above to raffi.sekdorian@tdsb.on.ca

Photos are due no later than noon on Sunday, November 3rd.

More details of our assembly will be in next week's newsletter.

Thank you,

The Remembrance Day Committee



**The EDP at Bowmore has a capacity of 60 and there are currently 15 open spots.**

### **What is an Extended Day Program?**

An Extended Day Program (EDP) provides seamless learning for children from Kindergarten to Grade 6 who require care before school starts and at the end of the school day. Children will develop skills such as collaboration, responsibility, problem-solving, creativity, citizenship and leadership through interesting activities. Extended Day Programs will be delivered by TDSB staff including a Designated Early Childhood Educator. Children will receive two nutritious snacks per day.

**Webpage:** <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/EarlyYears/Extended-Day-Program>

**Questions? [Contact the EDP Team](#)**

**Call 416-394-2072 or email: [EDP@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:EDP@tdsb.on.ca)**

### **Central Student Interest Programs: Applications**

The application for admission in September 2025 in TDSB Central Student Interest Programs (CSIP) opens on Monday, November 4 and closes at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 22, 2024.

Students in Grades 3 - 10 can submit one application for admission into a Central Student Interest Program. Each applicant selects one primary program for their application, and has the option of including an alternate choice. Alternate choices will only be considered after all primary applications from the city of Toronto have been considered.

[Application and Admissions Website](#)

[Form Submission Manual](#)

**Application Dates: November 4, 2024 - November 22, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.**

First Offers of Placement: December 5, 2024

Offers expire December 11, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Second Offers of Placement: December 12, 2024

Offers expire December 18, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Secondary offers will continue to be made in 2025 until February 26, 2025. Elementary offers will continue until February 27, 2025.

No offers will be made after these dates and all [Central Waitlists](#) will expire on these respective dates.

### **Early French Immersion Application Process**

The entry point to Early French Immersion is Junior Kindergarten.

Early French Immersion (Junior Kindergarten Entry) Application Deadline - For families interested in the Toronto District School Board's system-wide French Immersion Program, we offer an online process to apply for Early French Immersion (begins in JK). To apply to the Early French Immersion Program for September 2025, applications must be completed online between **November 4 and November 29, 2024**. Families with an older sibling currently in an Early French Immersion program at the same school are still required to complete an online application for the new student. For more information, please visit: [Application Early French Immersion](#).

Please find an AODA [poster](#) and [flyer card](#) with QR Code that may be used in any and all communications and/or forwarded digitally.

At any time, please visit the [TDSB French Language Programs webpage](#) to view a [video](#) that provides information about the TDSB French Language programs as well as the application and placement process in the Early French Immersion and the Middle French Immersion programs. More information about the Early Immersion Program is available in [22 languages](#), or view the [application video](#).

Please share this information in all modalities possible with your school communities.

Any inquiries may be directed to Angela Caccamo, Centrally Assigned Principal at [angela.caccamo@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:angela.caccamo@tdsb.on.ca) or Liliana Martins, Program Coordinator at [liliana.martins@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:liliana.martins@tdsb.on.ca).

### **Grade 8 to 9 transition**

A smooth transition from Grade 8 to Grade 9 contributes to a strong foundation for success in secondary school and beyond. Grade 8 is a time for students to look to the future and begin thinking about their selection of courses for Grade 9 and throughout high school. The information and links below will assist Grade 8 students and families in planning:

- [Open Houses and Information Sessions](#)
- [TDSB Beyond 8 website](#)

- [Out-of-Area Admissions](#)
- [Secondary Schools without a Boundary](#)
- [Central Student Interest Programs website](#)

*Please note: There is a 'Translate' button at the top of the TDSB website that will translate the contents of the web pages to your preferred language.*

## Preparing for High School Webinars

The TDSB will host two Preparing for High School Information Sessions, including:

1. **[Grade 8 to Grade 9 Transitions](#): October 29, 2024 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.**

**Registration Link:** [https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_tzXpk9qmTrmFOTCCreWMtw](https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_tzXpk9qmTrmFOTCCreWMtw)

This session will focus on the Top 10 Tips and Considerations in the Transition to High School. This presentation is designed to augment the work already taking place through secondary open houses and at the Grade 8 schools. For more information, visit the [TDSB Beyond 8 website](#).

2. **[Student Interest Programs](#): October 30, 2024 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.**

**Registration Link:** [https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_MFibCA5VSogLJqDF0B6QSg](https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_MFibCA5VSogLJqDF0B6QSg)

The TDSB offers over 50 programs with a particular focus. These programs are for anyone who demonstrates an interest and passion in the particular program area. The Student Interest Program Webinar will provide more information about Secondary Schools without a Boundary, local programs, Out-of-Area Admissions and applying to Central Student Interest Programs (CSIP), including:

- Arts Focus Programs/Schools
- Exceptional Athlete Program
- Integrated Technology School
- International Baccalaureate Programs
- Leadership Pathway Program
- Maths, Science & Technology Programs

Application for CSIP programs opens on November 4 and closes on **November 22, 2024 at 4 p.m.**

Requests for interpretation services can be made in the registration form and must be made no later than **Friday, October 25, 2024**. The recordings of these events will be available on the [TDSB Guidance site](#).

To further support students and families with the application process, TDSB staff will host two Central Student Interest Program Application Support Sessions to answer questions that students or families may have about the application. Live, online support will be available on the following dates:

- November 12 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. ([Click here to join](#))
- November 18 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. ([Click here to join](#))

Staff will not be able to answer specific program and/or school-based questions.

For more information about the programs available at schools across the TDSB, attend the schools' [Open Houses and Information Sessions](#). To learn more about the central student interest programs, visit the [Central Student Interest Programs website](#).

### Students with [Special Education Needs](#)

Students with an exceptionality for whom a change in setting or program is being considered for grade 9 will be discussed at the Annual IPRC Review. Students with an Individual Education Plan (IEP) and no formal identification, will be discussed at the School Support Team (SST) meeting. Please note this meeting will occur with the parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver(s).

### **Bowmore Nutrition Program (Week of Oct. 28, 2024)**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Pita Crackers</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Apples</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Scones</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Cheesestrings + Crackers</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Popcorn</b>

The Nutrition Team: [bowmoresnack@gmail.com](mailto:bowmoresnack@gmail.com)

### **Pizza Lunch is BACK!**

**Reminder: Ordering closes at noon on Sunday for the October 25 pizza lunch. Please use the following school website link to visit the Pizza Lunch FAQ page.**

<https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/bowmore/Pizza-Lunch>

Ordering is also open for pizza lunch on Friday, November 22 and Thursday, December 12.

Mark your calendars! Pizza lunch is back on the following dates:

- **Friday, November 22 (Ordering closes Sunday, November 17 at noon)**
- **Thursday, December 12 (Ordering closes Sunday, December 8 at noon)**

Pizza is sold by the slice for the following prices:

<b>Slice of cheese pizza</b>	<b>\$3.50</b>
<b>Slice of dairy-free cheese pizza</b>	<b>\$3.56</b>
<b>Slice of gluten-free cheese pizza</b>	<b>\$3.50</b>
<b>Slice of gluten-free and dairy-free cheese pizza</b>	<b>\$3.50</b>