

Don Valley Middle School Council Meeting

(November 26, 2024 at 7pm, Virtual Microsoft Team)

School Updates

Safety Procedures at DVMS – Construction Update

Many on-going constructions occurring at DVMS including

- o PA System (Completed)- Office and classrooms updated with new equipment for better communication within the school
- o Updating Sensory Room (In Progress)- Painting completed, floors + ceiling tiles to be installed shortly; Updating due to leak, cleaning and extra checks to ensure no mold and air quality is good before students and staff are allowed to utilize the room again
- o Firewall for the internet. The Internet at the school was updated and working properly
- o Installation completed for 2 speed bumps in the parking lot roundabout
- o Principal Karailiadis will follow up with the vendor as speed bump quality was not up to expectations

Picture Day Provider

Principal Karailiadis reached out to new Photography Provider for next school calendar year: 2025-2026 – Clear Images

- o Agreed to go ahead for a new contract with Clear Images for 2025 – 2026. Bonus for signing up: Free graduation phone booth for June 2025

Fundraising

Harvey's Lunch- Trial run coming in the new year for lunch

Pizza Lunch- Feedback has been positive

Upcoming Pizza Lunch dates

December Sessions: December 12

January – March: January 16, January 30, February 13, February 27 and March 20

April – June Sessions: April 3, April 17, May 1, May 15, May 29, June 12 and June 26, 2025

Experience Fund Proposal

Proposal: The Student Experience Fund ensures that every middle school student can access enriching educational opportunities regardless of their family's financial circumstances, covering costs for field trips, workshops, and educational activities to create an inclusive learning environment where no child misses out.

Approved to allocate \$1500 from the Parent Council's budget for this new Fund. Those families that may require assistance, may reach out to Principal Karailiadis to discuss privately.

School Council Innovation Grant

Possible partnership with Pleasant View Middle School to apply for TDSB School Council Innovation Grant on a future session on Digital Resilience: Reducing Gaming and Social Media Addition to Enhance Mental Health and Family Well-Being

Overnight Trips

Grade 6 – Etobicoke Outdoor Education Centre - Confirmed

Confirmed two trip dates scheduled in the first week of December, Dec 2 – 4 and Dec 4 - 6

Grade 7 – Island School – Confirmed

Confirmed two dates for the week before March Break, March 3 – 5 and March 5 - 7

Grade 8 – White Pine – Confirmed

Confirmed for June 10 – 13

Friday Flash

Communication and updates are sent out every week from school on Friday afternoon

Confirmed Parent Council Meeting dates for 2024 – 2025

- o No Meeting in December
- o January 28, 2025
- o February 25, 2025
- o No meeting in March
- o April 29, 2024
- o May 27, 2024
- o June will be a meeting with the Admin Team and Co-Chairs to finalize the School Report only

Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.