



Choices for 9

Grade 8 to 9 Transition Night

2021-22



The Year Ahead: Educational Planning and Course Selection Process

- Planning for the coming year is a process
- **Begins now** and **ends in February**

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Goals For The Evening:

To inform parents/guardians and students to make two decisions:

Decision #1: Which Secondary School?

Decision #2: Which Open Houses?

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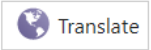
Trustees and Board Meetings

Latest News

November is Hindu Heritage Month at the TDSB
The Toronto District School Board (TDSB) is proud to recognize Hindu Heritage Month during the month of

What's Coming Up? See our System Calendar!

Director
Colleen Russell-Bowling



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High School

Find out which high school is right for you. See a [list of high school information nights and open houses](#).

As a high school student at the TDSB, you have [access](#) to an incredible variety of [schools](#), [programs](#) and courses. From [Africentric](#) and specialized arts programs to technology and athletics, we have something for every student and can help you find the [right path](#) for a successful experience in high school and beyond.

There are also many opportunities to get involved [outside of the classroom](#), from leadership and volunteer activities to [sports](#) and clubs. Your high school experience is what you make of it and at the TDSB we provide the opportunity for each individual student to find and follow your passion.



Secondary Student New to the TDSB?

Contact a Reception Centre in August before you register!

East Toronto: 416-395-9440

West Toronto: 416-393-0542



Active Transportation & Road Safety

Pay School Fees Online with [SchoolCashOnline](#)

School Year Calendar

Find out when holidays, PD days and key dates are



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Choices for 9: Interactive Guide for Students, Parents and Guardians

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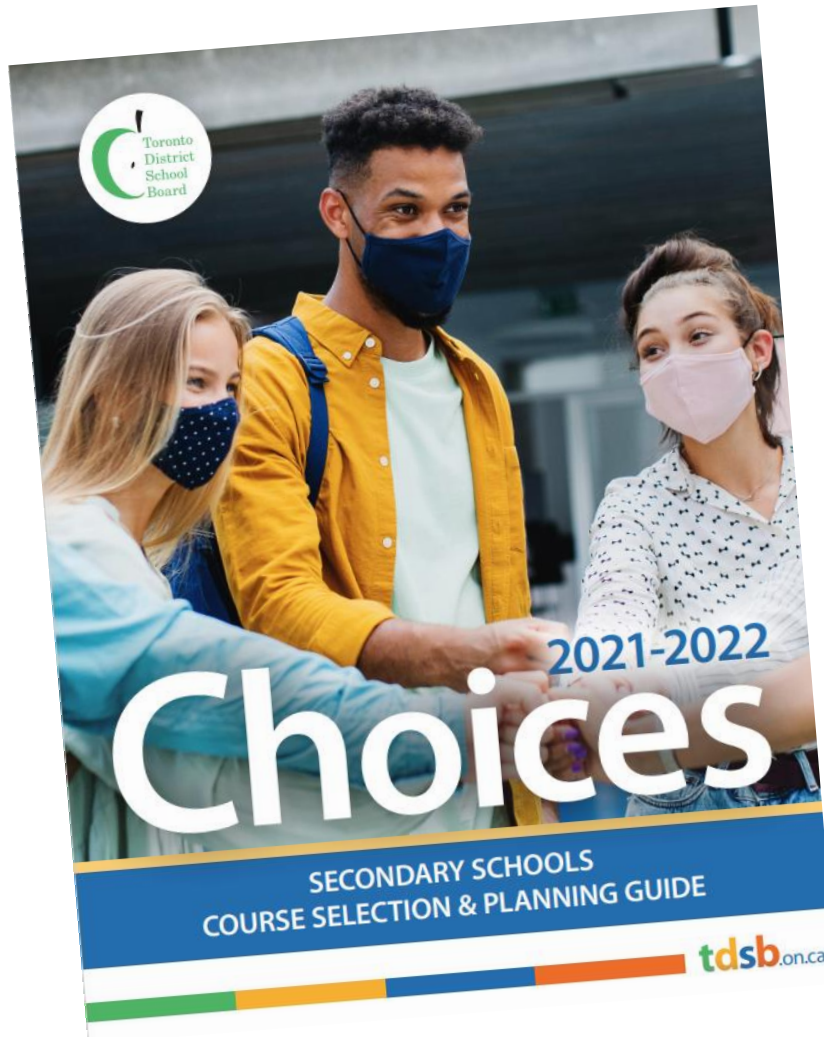
Grade 8 to 9 Transition

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Beyond 8:
Grade 8 to 9 Transition


CHOICES: Course Selection and Planning Guide



Choices: Secondary Schools Course Selection & Planning Guide is published online annually to encourage parents and students to keep themselves informed about the opportunities available to them, both in and beyond secondary school. It is the goal of this publication to provide information that will help with the decision-making process that must occur around the course selection process.

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Portals/0/docs/Choices%202021-22.pdf>

CHOICES: 9 – 12 Placemat



TDSB Secondary School Information Guide

Grades 9-12

www.tdsb.on.ca/High-School/Guidance/Choices

Sample Course Descriptor

English Grade 10 Academic

The student will gain an understanding of the English language through reading and writing, and will be able to apply this knowledge to a variety of contexts. The student will be able to communicate effectively in a variety of contexts and will be able to use the English language to express their thoughts and feelings.

Major Sub-competencies

- 1. Reading Comprehension
- 2. Writing
- 3. Speaking and Listening
- 4. Language and Media

ENG 2 D 1 English, Grade 10, Academic

Strands

- 1. Reading
- 2. Writing
- 3. Speaking and Listening
- 4. Language and Media

Program Differentiation for Individual Students

Students with learning disabilities may require additional support in the areas of reading, writing, speaking and listening.

Diploma Requirements

An Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) requires the completion of:

- a minimum of 30 credits, including 18 compulsory and 12 optional
- 40 hours of community involvement activities (Reduced due to Covid)**
- the library requirement***

The 18 compulsory credits are:


- 4 English, one per grade level
- 1 French as a Second Language
- 3 Mathematics, at least one in Grade 11 or 12
- 2 Science
- 1 Canadian Geography
- 1 Canadian History
- 1 Arts, dance, drama, media, music, visual arts†
- 1 Health and Physical Education
- 0.5 Civics
- 0.5 Career Studies

Plus one credit from each of the following groups:

- Group 1:** additional credit in English or French as a Second Language*** or a third language
- Group 2:** additional credit in Business Studies or French as a Second Language or Health and Physical Education or Arts or Co-operative Education***
- Group 3:** a Grade 11 or 12 Science credit or French as a Second Language*** or Technological Education or Computer Studies or Co-operative Education***

*** A maximum of two credits in Co-operative Education and two credits in French can count as compulsory

The framework of the Education and Career/Life Planning Program is a four-step inquiry process based on four questions linked to four areas of learning—Who am I? (Knowing Yourself); What are my opportunities? (Exploring Opportunities); Who do I want to become? (Making Decisions and Setting Goals); and What is my plan for achieving my goals? (Achieving Goals and Making Transitions).



Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	5th Year
English	English	English	English	
Math	Math	Math		
Science	Science			
Geography	History			
Phys. Ed & Health Education	Civics/Careers			
French	Electives (G1, G2, G3)			
Arts	Electives (G1, G2, G3)			
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Additional Learning Opportunities

Co-operative Education – Co-operative education offers students an opportunity to earn high school credits through a course that integrates classroom theory and learning experiences in a workplace, which enables students to apply and refine the knowledge and skills acquired in a related high school course. www.tdsb.on.ca/High-School/Year-School-Day/Contributions/Experiential-Learning

Dual Credit Program – The dual credit program allows students the unique opportunity to enroll in a college-delivered course. Upon successful completion students earn both a college credit and a secondary credit. www.tdsb.on.ca/High-School/Going-to-High-School/Specialized-Schools-and-Programs/Dual-Credits

E-Learning – E-Learning allows students to enroll in one TDSB-delivered online course per semester in conjunction with their other courses. The online classroom provides an innovative, relevant and engaging learning environment where students work independently and collaboratively. www.tdsb.on.ca/High-School/Going-to-High-School/E-Learning

E-learning Summer – E-learning Summer is available to all Ontario residents, age 14-20. This free high school credit program is for Ontario secondary school students who wish to pursue secondary school credit courses online in July or August. www.tdsb.on.ca/High-School/Going-to-High-School/E-Learning/Summer-Online-Program

Continuing Education – TDSB offers an Academic Credit Night School Program two nights per week in two 10-week semesters. TDSB also offers summer school that runs for 4 weeks in the month of July. www.tdsb.on.ca/High-School/Going-to-High-School/Continuing-Education

OWAP – Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program enables students in grade 11 or 12 to complete their OSSD requirements while starting their apprenticeship training in one of the skilled trades. Examples: ECE, Cook, Carpentry, Automotive, Plumbing. www.oyap.tdsb.on.ca

SKSM – Specialist High Skills Major programs are Ministry Approved programs that include a package of 8-10 required credits earned in grade 11 or 12. Each major constitutes a pathway to one of the four destinations: apprenticeship training, college, university, or the workplace.

The ‘**Choices: 9-12 Placemat**’ is your planning tool for TDSB high school. It outlines the step-by-step process for choosing courses and can help you make decisions each year.

[Secondary School Information Guide 2021-2022.pdf \(tdsb.on.ca\)](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/High-School/Going-to-High-School/Secondary-School-Information-Guide-2021-2022.pdf)

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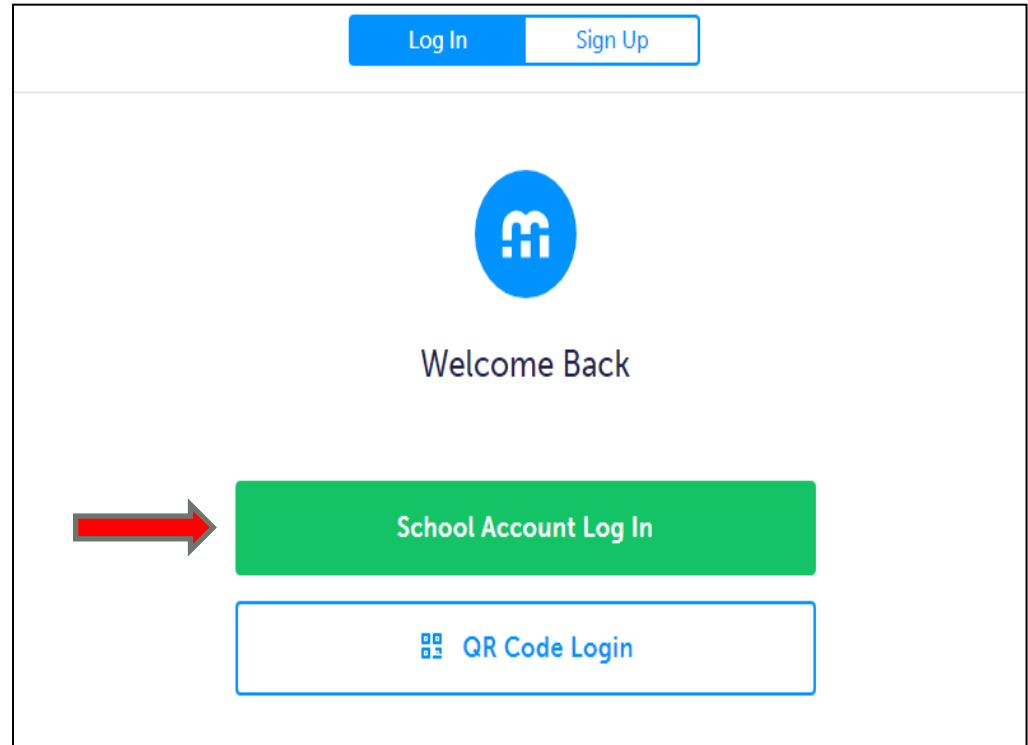
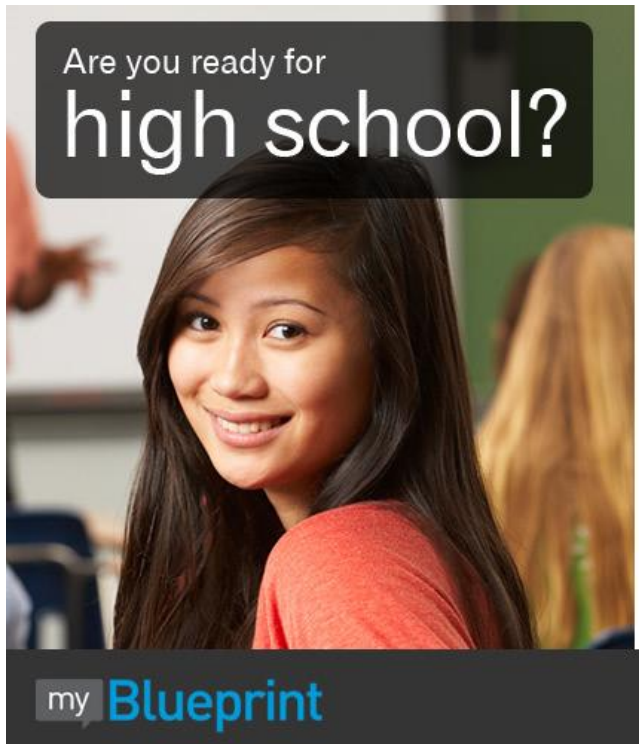
What to Expect
in High School

What Can Families Do to Help Students Make the Best Choices?

- Access and investigate *myBlueprint* career planning tool
- Attend Secondary [Virtual Information Evenings/Open Houses](#)
- Choose courses of [interest](#)
- Discuss [future plans](#)
- Stay involved and [connected](#) with the school
- Connect with Guidance counsellors at the High School

Accessing myBlueprint.ca/tdsb

Online educational & career planning tool for students and parents



www.myBlueprint.ca/tdsb

Course Selection with myBlueprint

The screenshot displays the myBlueprint High School course selection interface. On the left is a dark blue navigation sidebar with icons for Home, Who Am I, High School, Continuing Education, Post-Secondary, Work, Money, Guides, and Favourites. The main content area is titled 'High School' and 'Demo High School 2'. It features a 'Plan' tab and a 'Courses' sub-tab. A notification banner states 'Your courses are Not Submitted' with a 'Not returning next year?' link. Below this is a three-step process: Step 1 (Add Courses), Step 2 (Review Courses), and Step 3 (Submit Courses). A 'View Course Selections' button is visible. The course selection grid is organized by grade level: Grade 9 (Next Year), Grade 10, Grade 11, and Grade 12 (Plan Ahead). A large blue play button overlay is centered over the grid. The right-hand panel includes a 'Graduation Indicator' showing 0/30 required credits, with sub-sections for Planned (0), Earned (0), and Total (0) credits, and a 'View Progress' button. Below that is a 'Pathway Eligibility' section with a 'Refresh Eligibility' button and a table showing 1 Apprenticeship and 0 College credits.

Grade 9 Next Year	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12 Plan Ahead
<input type="radio"/> English	<input type="radio"/> English	<input type="radio"/> English	<input type="radio"/> English
<input type="radio"/> Mathematics	<input type="radio"/> Mathematics	<input type="radio"/> Mathematics	<input type="radio"/> Course
<input type="radio"/> Science	<input type="radio"/> Science	<input type="radio"/> Course	<input type="radio"/> Course
<input type="radio"/> Geography	<input type="radio"/> History	<input type="radio"/> Course	<input type="radio"/> Course
<input type="radio"/> Arts	<input type="radio"/> Career Studies/Civics	<input type="radio"/> Course	<input type="radio"/> Course
<input type="radio"/> Health and Physical Ed...	<input type="radio"/> Course	<input type="radio"/> Course	<input type="radio"/> Course

[TDSB Grade 8 Selections - myblueprint](#)

What Are the Graduation Requirements?

Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)

- Total of 30 course credits
 - 18 compulsory courses
 - 12 elective courses
- 40 Hours Community Involvement
 - Begins in summer after Grade 8
- Ontario Literacy Requirement
 - Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test

*Ontario Schools, Kindergarten to Grade 12:
Policy & Program Requirements, 2011*

What Is Your Home High School?

Find Your School

The screenshot shows the Toronto District School Board website. The browser address bar displays 'https://www.tdsb.on.ca'. The navigation menu includes 'Home', 'Early Years', 'Elementary School', 'High School', 'Adult Learners', 'Parents', and 'Community'. The 'Find Your School' link is circled in purple. Other navigation links include 'New to Canada', 'Policies', 'Media', 'About Us', 'Staff', 'Employment', 'Leadership', and 'Contact Us'. A search bar and a 'Translate' button are also visible. The main content area features a banner for the '2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR' with a graphic of a school building and an open book. To the right, there is a 'View Board Meeting Schedule' table.

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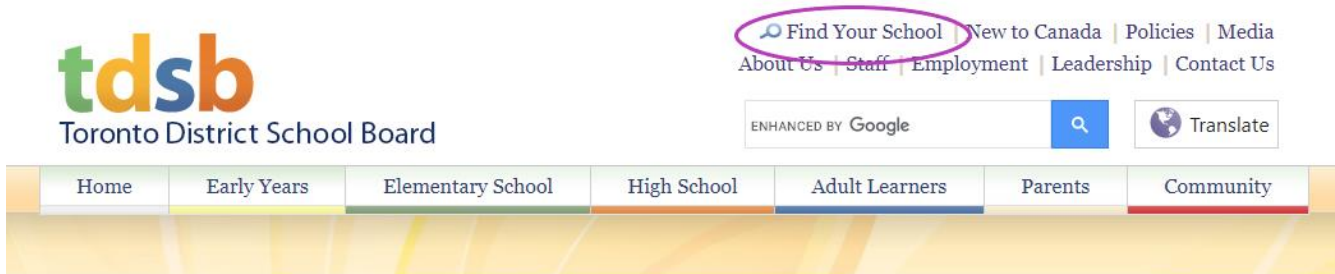
Additional banners include 'Mental Health and Well-Being Supports and Resources' and 'tdsb Finance, Budget and Enrollment Committee'. A 'Latest News' section and a 'What's Coming Up?' calendar icon are also present.

www.tdsb.on.ca

Click on “Find your School”

Find Your School

Find your school by selecting how you want to search.



Find your...

- ▶ **School**
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 - By Name
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 - Secondary
 - Alternative Schools
 - Specialized Elementary Schools and Programs
 - Specialized High Schools and Programs
 - Gifted Program School Finder
 - Adult High Schools
 - e-Learning
 - Optional Attendance
 - French Programs
 - PDF Map
 - Registration
 - By Programs

Find Your School



By Address

Fill in your address in the search box.



By School Name

Browse by Alphabetical school listing.



By Program

Browse by alphabetical program listing

Considerations When Choosing a High School

- The **range of subjects** and programs offered in each grade
- **Semestered** and **Non-semestered** schedules
- The **size of the school** – big or small settings
- The **range of extracurricular activities**, clubs and sports offered
- The **supports** available for English Language Learners and students with special education needs

Considerations When Choosing a High School

Sample Timetables

Period	Semester 1	Semester 2
1	English	Math
2	Science	Geography
3	French	Gym
4	Individual and Family Living	Expressing First Nations, Métis & Inuit Cultures



Semester

Non-Semester



Quadmester



Period	Day 1	Day 2
1	English	Math
2	Science	Geography
3	French	Gym
4	Exploring Technologies	Drama

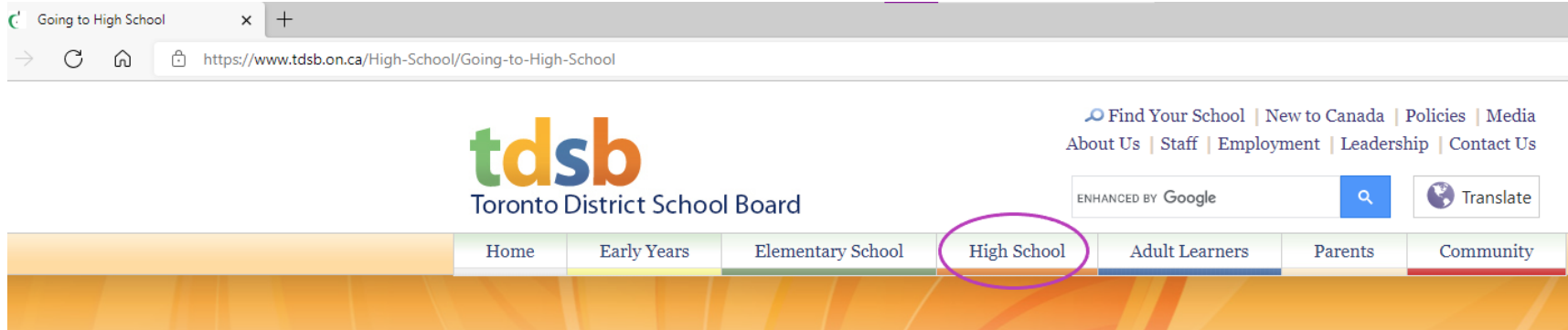
Period	Quad 1	Quad 2	Quad 3	Quad 4
1	English	Ojibwe	Math	Gym
2	Science	Information Technology	Geography	Instrumental Music

Information Evenings/Open Houses at the High Schools

- Program and school specific information is shared
- Updated dates and times of High School Information Evenings are posted on the TDSB website and can be accessed using the link:

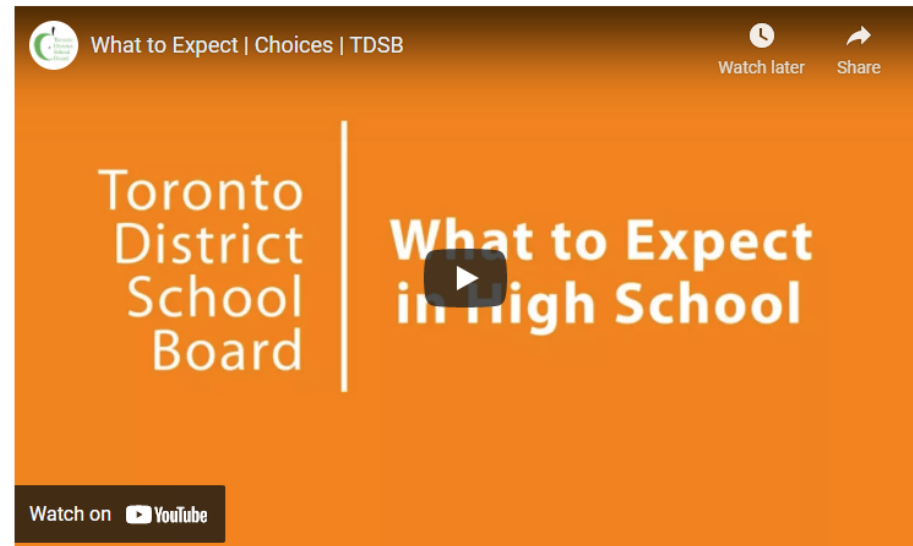
<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/High-School/Going-to-High-School/Open-Houses-and-Information-Nights>

Website: TDSB.on.ca



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 - ▶ Indigenous Education
 - ▶ Caring & Safe Schools
 - ▶ Get Involved

Going to High School



School Open Houses and Information Nights

To help you make an informed decision when choosing a school, TDSB schools will host virtual open houses and information sessions (live or pre-recorded) for parents/guardians and students between November and January.

Learn everything you need to know about our incredible variety of schools, programs and courses. Please note that some schools are hosting “live” virtual open houses that families can join in real time, during the specified date and time. Some schools have pre-recorded information sessions that you can view at any time by clicking the link provided.

If you have questions about a specific school or open house, please [contact the school](#) directly for more information.

Note: Please check this page regularly, as schools will continue to post information about virtual open house dates/times and available pre-recorded information sessions.

School	Date	Time	Specialized or Alternative Programs(All) ▾	Local Programs(All) ▾	Link to Virtual Open House
A.Y. Jackson Secondary School	Nov 25, 2021	6:30 PM - 8:30 PM		Advanced Placement (AP) Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)	Join the live Open House
Africentric Alternative School					
Agincourt Collegiate Institute	Dec 02, 2021	6:30 PM - 8:30 PM		Extended French (ExF) Advanced Placement (AP) French Immersion (FI) Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)	Join the live Open House



Choosing Course Types

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/High-School/Guidance/Course-Types>

As a high school student, you will have important choices to make that will open doors to your future, including the selection of your courses throughout high school.

Academic (Grades 9 and 10)

- Cover the core content and have an emphasis on theoretical and conceptual learning
- Example: English - ENG1D

Open (Grades 9-12)

- Learning expectations are the same for all students
- Designed to prepare students for further study and to enrich general education in a subject
- Can be counted as compulsory or elective credits
- Example: Health and Physical Education - PPL10

What Happens if My Child Does Not Pass a Course?

- Students may repeat the course in **summer school** – research suggests this is the most effective way to “catch-up” and move on to the next grade level
- Students may be recommended for **“Credit Recovery”** – research suggests this is the next-best way to “catch-up”
- Students may **repeat the course** in the next semester or year – research suggests this is the least effective way for students to “catch-up” and move on to the next grade level

What Kinds of Programs Are Available to High School Students?

- 1. Going to Home High School**
(Simple Process)
- 2. Optional Attendance**
(Applying to other high schools)
- 3. French Immersion**
- 4. Specialized Programs**

Optional Attendance

- Students are encouraged to attend the high school within the catchment area of their residential address (home school)
- Use an *Optional Attendance Application Form (PR545)* when applying to a school other than your home school
- **Specialized Programs may have earlier deadlines**
Please review school specific deadlines for more information.
- Forms will be available online and at the elementary schools in **November**.
- Specific information regarding *Optional Attendance Procedures* will be communicated to students and families in early January

www.tdsb.on.ca/FindyourSchool/OptionalAttendance

Optional Attendance

Students may apply to:

- up to **2 specialized programs** and
- up to **2 regular programs**


through optional attendance for a **TOTAL MAXIMUM of 4** optional attendance applications.

www.tdsb.on.ca/FindyourSchool/OptionalAttendance

Optional Attendance

- Forms need to be signed by the elementary school and then delivered to the high school before the deadline
- This is the responsibility of the student/parent
- **Note:** Some schools are closed to optional attendance for their regular programs (they don't have space available).

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Find-your/School/Optional-Attendance>



Optional Attendance Form
 Application for a Secondary Program at a School Outside the Resident Area
 (Includes Grade 9 program at Intermediate Schools)
 1 Civic Centre Court, 1st Floor, Fax: 416-394-4970, Attention: Program Coordinator - Guidance, Career & Adolescent Development

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Date: _____

Name of Requested Secondary School: <input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Requested Start Date: <input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
Home or Sending School: <input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	For Grade: <input style="width: 20%;" type="text"/> Number of Credits presently earned: <input style="width: 20%;" type="text"/>
Does a sibling presently attend the requested school? Yes/No	
If YES: Name of Sibling: <input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	

Parents please note: Transportation is not provided for Optional Attendance Students

Applicant's Information:

Student's Surname: _____ (Given Names: _____ Birthdate: _____ (DD/MM/YY)

Student's Address: _____ Apt. # _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Present Grade/Class: _____ Student School I.D. Number: _____

Female Male Is the applicant under Optional Attendance at the present school? Yes/No

Parent/Guardian Information:

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____ Business Phone Number: _____

Applicant With Child: Child Care Information (Not applicable to all applicants)

If the Applicant's child receives Day Care, please indicate:

Name of Day Care: _____ Telephone of Day Care: _____

Address of Day Care: _____

Secondary Program Applications:

Specialized Programs/ Schools	Regular Programs/ Schools
1. _____	1. _____
2. _____	2. _____

Reasons for Applying/Other Considerations:

Conditions on the reverse of this form have been read and agreed to:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Student Signature (18 years of age or older): _____

Current School Principal (or Designate) Signature: _____ Date: _____

For Office Use Only: Requested School's Decision: Accepted Not Accepted

Signature of Requested School Principal: _____ Date: _____

Distribution: 1 copy: To Parent/Guardian when decision is made
 1 copy: To TDSB Home or Sending School

Information Evenings for Specialized Programs

*****Only if you have a PASSION*****

Specialized Schools and Programs include, but are not limited to:

- Arts
 - Entrepreneurship
 - International Baccalaureate (I.B.)
 - Science & Technology
 - Elite Athletes
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- To investigate specialized schools or programs, check school websites and/or contact the specific school for admission requirements
 - Process may include: **Interview, Audition, Portfolio, Test.**

**Optional attendance guidelines and specific admission requirements will apply – check deadline dates for application

TDSB Specialized Programs & Schools

Africentric Secondary Programs

Winston Churchill CI
Downsview Secondary School

Arts Focused Schools or Programs

Etobicoke School of the Arts
Rosedale Heights School of the Arts
Claude Watson Secondary Arts Program at Earl Haig SS
Wexford Collegiate School for the Arts
Central Technical School
CW Jefferys CI

Cyber Arts Programs

Don Mills CI
Lakeshore CI
Northview Heights SS
Western Technical Commercial School

Elite Athletes Programs

Birchmount Park CI
Northview Heights SS
Silverthorn CI

Integrated Technology School

Ursula Franklin Academy

International Baccalaureate

Monarch Park CI
Parkdale CI
Sir Wilfrid Laurier CI
Victoria Park CI
Weston CI

Leadership Program

RH King Academy

Math, Science & Technology

Bloor CI
CW Jefferys CI
Danforth C & TI
Emery CI
Georges Vanier SS
John Polanyi CI
Marc Garneau CI
Northview Heights SS
Runnymede CI
SATEC @ WA Porter CI
West Humber CI
William Lyon MacKenzie

Important Dates to Know for Optional Attendance

January 28, 2022

Optional attendance forms due at secondary school.

February 11, 2022

Date for parents/guardians of students to be informed of the status of the application request.

February 22, 2022

Parents/guardians must inform the requested school of their acceptance of the offer via email and submit course selections via MyBlueprint.

An Overview of *Regular Local* High Schools

Dr. Norman Bethune CI

- Non-Semestered
- Great well-rounded program
- Business Specialist High Skilled Major Program (SHSM)
- Located at Warden & Steeles

L'Amoreaux CI

- Great well-rounded program
- Specialist High Skilled Major Program (SHSM)
- Located at Finch & Warden

Agincourt CI

- Non-Semestered
- French Immersion & Extended
- Award-winning music program
- Adv. Placement in Math & Science in Gr. 11 & 12
- Located at Midland & Sheppard

Stephan Leacock CI

- Well-rounded program
- Media Arts, Advance Placement (AP), Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)
- Located at Birchmount & Sheppard

Albert Campbell CI

- Semestered
- Well-rounded program
- Advance Placement (AP)
- Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)
- Located at Finch & McCowan

Don Mills CI

- Well-rounded program
- Located at Don Mills & Lawrence

Sir John A. Macdonald

- Non-semestered school
- Great well-rounded program
- Enriched “Medallion” Gr. 9-11
- Adv. Placement Gr. 12 Calculus
- Located at Pharmacy & Huntingwood

George Vanier SS

- Advanced Placement
- Aviation & Aerospace
- Arts & Culture
- Information Communication Technology
- The One World Music Studio (Creating/Recording Music)
- Located at Don Mills & Sheppard

George S. Henry Academy

- Well rounded program
- Small Intimate Environment
- Health & Wellness SHSM
- Uniforms
- Located at Don Mills & Sheppard

An Overview of *French Immersion* *French Extended* High Schools

York Mills CI

- French Immersion
- Great well-rounded program
- Located at York Mills & Leslie

Agincourt CI

- French Immersion, French Extended
- Great well-rounded program
- Located at Midland & Sheppard

L'Amoreaux CI

- French Extended
- Great well-rounded program
- Located at Finch & Warden

Common French Pathway Questions

1. What are the French Immersion requirements for Graduation?

French Immersion:

- **10 French courses** needed for Bilingual Certificate (Immersion)
- **11 French courses** needed for *Honours* Bilingual Certificate (Immersion)

Common French Pathway Questions

2. Which French courses are mandatory?

- FIF1D5, FIF2D5, FIF3U5, FIF4D5, and 6 or 7 other FI courses that have a '5' at the end of the course code.

3. How do you get the right credits for graduation?

- Students should take as many FI credits in Gr. 9 and 10 that the school offers, because there are not many FI courses in Gr. 11 and Gr. 12.
- In Gr. 11 only 2 courses are available
- In Gr. 12 only 1 course is available.

Example of French Immersion Courses @ York Mills CI

French Immersion		Gr.9	Gr.10	Gr.11	Gr.12
Education à la Citoyenneté	open		CHV205		
Enjeux de la Géographie Canadienne	academic	CGC1D5			
Exploration des Choix de Carrière	open		GLC205		
Fonctions	mixed			MCF3M5	
Fonctions et Relations	university			MCR3U5	
Français (Immersion)	academic	FIF1D5	FIF2D5		
Français (Immersion)	university			FIF3U5	FIF4U5
Histoire du Canada Depuis la Première Guerre Mondiale	academic		CHC2D5		
L'Introduction à l'Anthropologie, à la Psychologie et à la Sociologie	university			HSP3U5	
Keyboard Music en Français	open	AMK105	AMK205		
L'Informatique	open	BTT105			
Les Stratégies d'Apprentissage	open	GLE105	GLE205	GLE305	GLE405
Principes de Mathématiques	academic	MPM1D5	MPM2D5		
Sciences	academic	SNC1D5	SNC2D5		

An Overview of *Specialized* High Schools

Specialized Programs

***Marc Garneau CI**

- **TOPS** – Talented Offerings for Programs in Science
- Focus on Math, Science and Technology

***William Lyons Mackenzie CI**

- **MaCS** - Math, Science, and Computer Technology
- Advance Placement Courses

***John Polanyi C.I.**

- SMR Program
- Science, Math, and Robotics

***George Vanier SS**

- **STEM+ Program**
(Math, Science, Engineering)

***Victoria Park C.I.**

- International Baccalaureate (IB)
- Recognized high standard of education around the world

***Wexford Collegiate School of Arts**

- Arts Focus
- Music Theatre, Dance, Visual Arts, and Drama

***Earl Haig Secondary School (Claude Watson Program)**

- Arts Focus
- Music Theatre, Dance, Visual Arts, and Drama

***Rosedale Heights School of the Arts**

- Arts focused school
- Performing and Visual Arts programs

***Don Mills C.I.**

- Cyber Arts program
- Graphic design, multimedia, animation, industrial design, desktop publishing, web design/programming, and architectural design

If you have questions about...

- Specialized schools or programs
→ **Contact the High School**
- myBlueprint and course selection
→ **Contact your Grade 8 school**
- Special Education offers of placement
→ **Contact your Grade 8 school**
- Special Education or additional supports in high school
→ **Contact the High School**

Important Dates to Know

Date	Transition Activities
November - December	Attend your Elementary School Virtual Transition Event (if applicable)
November - January	Attend Secondary School Virtual Information Sessions
November - January	Some specialized programs have additional entrance requirements. Please visit the school's website for information about specific deadlines.
January 11	Grade 8 Course Selection Opens
January 28	Optional attendance forms due at secondary schools
February 11	Deadline for parents/guardians of students to be informed of the status of the Optional Attendance application
February 22	Deadline for Grade 8 students to confirm acceptance to a school and to complete/submit course selection in myBlueprint

Thank you!



Questions?