

Givins/Shaw
Junior Public School
Toronto District School Board



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Dear Parents/Guardians of Grade 6 Students:

As we enter the new calendar year, we want to ensure that you know how to access information for the Grade 7 program options for the 2019/20 school year.

Your child's 'home school' for Grade 7 is determined by your home address. Your 'home school' is the school that your child may attend without completing any additional application forms. All you need to do in order to register your child in his or her home school is go to that school and provide documentation that indicates a proof of address. You may wish to call the school in advance to find out exactly what documentation they require. Please look to register your child at your home school by Friday, May 3, 2019 as it will assist the school with its September organization. You can determine your Grade 7 home school by going to www.tdsb.on.ca and clicking on the 'find your school' icon in the upper right section of the web page.

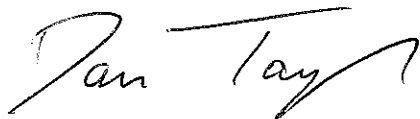
If you wish to explore the option of having your child attend a TDSB school for Grade 7 that is not your home school, then you will need to apply to that school via the Optional Attendance (OA) procedure. The OA form you would need to complete is attached. As you will see, you do require my signature on the form and then you need to deliver the completed form to the school in which you have expressed interest. The TDSB deadline for Optional Attendance applications is Friday, February 15, 2019. Parents/Guardians will be informed whether or not their application has been approved by March 8, 2019. The number of applications a school accepts (if any) is completely dependent upon the enrolment space available in that school and Givins/Shaw is not involved in another school's optional attendance procedures. If your OA application is approved, and you accept the offer, we would appreciate you informing the Givins/Shaw office so we can coordinate the transfer of your child to his or her new school later in the spring.

Alexander Muir Gladstone (AMG) Public School is the home school for many Givins/Shaw students for Grade 7. Our Grade 6 class will be attending an orientation session at AMG on the afternoon of January 22. Any interested parents are also welcome to attend. It is our understanding that AMG will not be hosting a separate information session for parents. If you would like to attend on January 22 with the students, please let Mr. Salerno know by Friday, January 11.

The Toronto District School Board also offers various alternative school options at the Grade 7 level, as well as other programs that start at that grade. All information regarding open houses for those different programs can be found at <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/OpenHouse> . Givins/Shaw will not be coordinating information sessions for any Grade 7 programs so if you are interested, you will need to research the different options and make arrangements to attend the respective open house. If you require a hard copy of the list of open houses, they are available at the Givins/Shaw office.

Finally, separate information was sent home yesterday (and is on our website) regarding applications to the extended French program that starts in Grade 7 at King Edward School. The open house for the extended French program is at 6:30 p.m. on January 24 at King Edward School. Any interested families will need to complete the application form and deliver it to King Edward School by February 4 at the latest. Again, Givins/Shaw is not involved in the application process for the extended French program.

Thank you and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan Taylor". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke extending from the top of the "T" across the top of the signature.

Dan Taylor

Principal



Optional Attendance Form

Application for an Elementary program at a school outside the resident area

Date: _____

Name of Requested School: <input type="text"/> Home or Sending School: <input type="text"/>	Requested Start Date: _____
	For Grade : _____
	Does a sibling presently attend the requested school? Yes / No If Yes: Name of Sibling _____

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

Applicant's Information:

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

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

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

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

Parent/Guardian Information:

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

Parent/Guardian's e-mail address (Print Clearly): _____

Child Care Information:

Will the child be attending Day Care? Yes No

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

Address of Day Care: _____

Schools and Programs Applied for under Optional Attendance:

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:** _____

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
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Please Note the Following:

- 1) Priority of placement in the requested school will be based on a lottery if applications exceed the space available at the requested school.
- 2) If admitted, a student is expected to continue at the requested school until graduation.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR SCHOOL ADMISSION BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 2019

- (a) Applications must be received by **Friday, February 15, 2019.**
- (b) A lottery, if necessary, will be held to **determine the successful applicants.**
- (c) Parents/guardians will be informed of acceptance or non-acceptance **no later than March 8, 2019.**
- (d) Parents/guardians must inform the requested school of their acceptance of the offer by **Friday, March 22, 2019.**

Note: It is the parent/guardian's responsibility to deliver this application to the school or schools of choice.

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