

HARBORD COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

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April 22, 2022 Newsletter

Hello Harbord parents/guardians and students:

Big celebrations this week for our Junior Boys and Senior Girls basketball programs. They both won their respective Regional Tier 2 Championships. The Junior Boys beat Northern SS at home here at Harbord 72-59 and the Senior Girls won a nail-biter against Riverdale CI 44-42! Congratulations to the team members and coaches. We are all so proud of you. To all of our other athletes in our Winter Season (badminton, swimming), keep up the hard work and #restoretheroar!!!

Here are some important items and reminders:

Grad Photo Re-takes Graduation photos will take place April 25 and 26. This will be the last chance for photos to be included on the graduation composite and in the yearbook. Please book an appointment here (or see Ms. Thornton in the main office): <u>https://booking.edgeimaging.ca/portal/book/HAR</u>

When Your Child is 18 Thank you to one of our parents for bringing this topic to our attention and sharing their thoughts. Please be aware that just before your child turns 18, which occurs for many Grade 12s during the winter and spring of their final year at Harbord, they will receive an important email. This email informs them that they must return a form to the main office that permits parents to continue to receive communications directly from the school and the TDSB (this includes the HCI newsletter). The default is that you will be cut off from direct communications when your child turns 18, including information on college and universities, scholarships, HCI student events, council meetings, sports and extracurriculars, and so on. To reinstate it, the student will need to return the form. If you notice communications are no longer coming from the school and TDSB, check in with your student to discuss the email they have received prior to their 18th birthday.

Spring Season Sports As many of our Winter Sports Season teams have concluded, the next round of sports teams will be starting up. Please listen to the announcements in the morning for try-out information or seek out the coaches for specifics. Here is a chart of Harbord Spring Season sports:

TEAM	STAFF ADVISOR
CO-ED VOLLEYBALL	Steve Yee
JUNIOR BOYS SOCCER	Nicholas Vavougios
SENIOR BOYS SOCCER	Matthew Sturgeon
VARSITY GIRLS SOCCER	Adam Shalaby Madeleine Meredith
VARSITY GIRLS SOFTBALL	Samantha Burrows Lucy Eskedjian Torres
CO-ED ULTIMATE FRISBEE	Daniel Leblanc Mark Bauer
VARSITY BOYS BASEBALL	Greg Smith Christopher Thomas
TRACK AND FIELD	Vasan Persad Hillel Heinstein Alana Fangrad
TENNIS	David Lee

Pantry Program Pickup continues to be on Thursdays after school, from 3:00pm-3:15pm in **room 207**. If your family would like some items, your child can come and collect them after school on Thursdays. <u>Click here for a list of food items</u> that will be available for pickup. Also, we are always so thankful for the efforts of a very kind Harbord family who help us with accessing donations of Cobb's bread!

Commencement and Prom Tickets go on sale on April 27th! More information will be sent to grade twelves at the beginning of next week. Our Prom this year is at Liberty Grand Entertainment Complex on the CNE grounds. The date is Thursday June 2, 2022. Also, our grade 12 graduation or Commencement ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday June 28, 2022 in the afternoon in our auditorium.

OSSLT The Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) measures whether students are meeting the minimum standard for literacy across all subjects up to the end of Grade 9. **Graduating students ARE NOT required to write the test**. This year, the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) will be offering the computer-based online OSSLT to eligible students across the province. Successful completion of this literacy test is one of the requirements to earn an Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

On May 10 and 11, students currently enrolled in grade 10 and 11 English courses, as well as non-graduating grade 12 students, will be writing the OSSLT. More information will be provided closer to the dates.

For more information about EQAO and to view the full practice test, you are encouraged to visit EQAO's website <u>www.eqao.com</u>.

All students will attend on these days.

MAY 10 and 11 MODIFIED OSSLT DAY SCHEDULE		
	OSSLT Day	OSSLT Day
9:00-10:15	Block A	Block B
10:20-11:35	Block A	Block B
11:35-12:15	LUNCH	
12:15-1:35	Block C	Block D
1:35-2:55	Block C	Block D

IMPORTANT DATES

April 25 and 26th	Last Chance for Grad Photos / Grad Photo Re-takes https://booking.edgeimaging.ca/portal/book/HAR
Wednesday, April 27	Late start - staff meeting
Thursday, April 28	Distribution of Mid-term Report Cards
Tuesday, May 10 and Wednesday May 11	OSSLT and Modified OSSLT Schedule

Lastly... "At Harbord, we CARE for EACH OTHER. TOGETHER. We are ONE!"

Have a FUNomenal weekend. Steve and Admin team