



July 2020

#### Dear Grade 9 Humberside Students and Parents/Guardians,

It is our pleasure to welcome you to Humberside Collegiate and the Humberside family where we hope you will take advantage of everything the school has to offer from clubs and teams to intramural sports and activities coupled with an excellent academic program. These next few years will be exciting ones for our future 2024 graduates filled with new experiences, friends, challenges and achievements. We look forward to supporting your academic and personal development during your time as a Humberside Husky.

#### First Days of School – Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> is the first day of school. Normally we follow a modified schedule on the first day (September 8<sup>th</sup>) and the second day (September 9<sup>th</sup>) is a regular day. At the time of emailing, September plans for TDSB schools, including Humberside, are uncertain. While we are very optimistic about returning to face-to-face learning, we do not know how our timetable structure might be modified to ensure everyone's safety. With that in mind, we will continue to communicate with you as information becomes available as will the Toronto District School Board. It is likely that you will be sent news via email about September from the TDSB before you will receive anything from Humberside.

#### Curriculum Night - Save the Date!

Our annual Curriculum Night is tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. All parents have the opportunity to follow their child's timetable, meet all of their child's teachers and receive curriculum materials such as course outlines as well as assessment and evaluation requirements. If we are unable to have curriculum night face-to-face, we may offer a webinar or other virtual option. Stay tuned.

Also included in this email is an invitation from our School Advisory Council to be added to their mailing list. School Council information is found on the Humberside website <a href="http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/School-Advisory-Council">http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/School-Advisory-Council</a> and Council members may be reached by email at <a href="http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/School-Advisory-Council">http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/School-Advisory-Council</a> and Council members may be reached by email at <a href="https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/School-Advisory-Council">http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/School-Advisory-Council</a> and Council members may be reached by email at <a href="https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/School-Advisory-Council">https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/School-Advisory-Council</a> and Council members may be reached by email at <a href="https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/School-Advisory-Council">https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/School-Advisory-Council</a> and Council members may be reached by email at <a href="https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/More/Schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/humb

#### Preparing for High School – Assessment and Evaluation Differences

The grade 9 year will be quite a different experience for your child. In a normal year, one major difference is that students take eight subjects all year and have eight different teachers. Each of these subjects and each teacher will have different expectations which your child must know and understand. The term work from September to May is worth 70% and the culminating activities, which fall in May and June, are worth 30% of the final mark for each student. Some courses also have final exams in June (which comprise part of the 30%). According to the Ministry and TDSB Assessment and Evaluation policies, a student cannot miss these culminating activities. Missing culminating activities/final exams may result in a mark of zero out of the 30%. We mention this now so that parents/guardians are aware of the importance of student attendance and participation during culminating activities and can plan the year, including family vacations/commitments, early.

While we understand that parents/guardians are not always free to take their family vacations when school vacations fall, we advise against taking your child out of school. Students miss out on classroom labs, group work, assessment and feedback, and group discussion when they are absent. There is a tremendous amount of stress placed on students who miss their classes for a week or two as they struggle to catch up on their work. Our Assessment and Evaluation policy, which governs our practices throughout the year, can be found in the Student App (information to follow).

#### Late Starts and Early Dismissals

Usually, our students will have a late start every Tuesday to accommodate our Professional Learning Communities' activities and our monthly staff meetings. These schedules, as well as important information on school policies and activities, may be viewed in your child's Student App and will be adjusted accordingly should Covid-19 necessitate adjustments.

#### **Reporting Student Absences**

In order to keep track of your child's lates and absences at school, an automated telephone call is generated notifying you of student lates and/or unexplained absences. Our goal is to ensure all of our students are safe and also to eradicate persistent student lates. Please be aware that late arrivals impact classroom instruction and have an impact on your child's overall achievement. You will only receive a phone call if your child is late and/or absent without explanation. If your child is sick, arriving late or leaving early, remember to call our Safe Arrival Line at **(416) 393-8122**, **OPTION 1 before 8:30 a.m.** 

#### Our Website

Finally, up-to-date news can be located under <u>http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci/ParentNews</u> on our school website: <u>http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humbersideci</u>.

#### Contacting Your Child's Principal or Vice-Principal

For classroom related issues, you should contact your child's teacher first, as per TDSB's parent-concern protocol. However, should you have any questions or concerns about your child which a teacher cannot answer, please call the school at (416) 393-8122 and ask to speak with the appropriate Vice-Principal, Rob Palmer or Isabel Arias Lopez. The Principal, Kim McLaren, is also available and would be pleased to speak with you.

We are excited to begin the 2020-2021 school year with you. Welcome to the Humberside family!

Sincerely,

Kim McLaren Principal

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Robert Palmer Vice Principal (Surnames A-L) Ext. 20011

Isabel Árias Lopez Vice Principal (Surnames M-Z) Ext. 20012

#### HUMBERSIDE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

### EXTRA-CURRICULAR FEES FOR 2020-2021

The following are additional costs associated with certain Humberside courses and activities. We have been able to reduce and eliminate some costs this year. There may be additional costs as the year progresses. Fees for field trips are the responsibility of the students.

Should your family have financial needs, please see your Vice Principal

Curricular Fees					
DEPARTMENT/COURSE OR ACTIVITY	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12	
Physical and Health Education					
BOYS	<b>Uniform</b> \$30.00 Shirt & Shorts	Replacement uniform if needed	Replacement uniform if needed	Replacement uniform if needed	
GIRLS	<b>Uniform</b> \$30.00 Shirt & Shorts	Replacement uniform if needed	Replacement uniform if needed	Replacement uniform if needed	
PERSONAL AND FITNESS ACTIVITIES GIRLS/BOYS		Replacement uniform if needed	Optional Sporting Life 10K run (approx.\$50.00) Replacement uniform if needed	Replacement uniform if needed	
COURSE TEXTS AND WORKBOOKS	If lost, damaged or written in, the replacement cost must be paid at the end of the school year				
These Charges Are Subject to Change					

## **Student Activity Fees**

Package \$ 29.00\$ 29.00Hermes (Hard Cover, Colour Yearbook) My School Day App & Photo I.D.\$ 5.00\$ 7.00My School Day App & Photo I.D.\$ 5.00Boys Extra-Curricular Athletics (partial support) Girls Extra-Curricular Athletics (partial support) \$ 19.00\$ 19.00Student Council Operating Budget provides financial support for clubs, extra-curricular athletics, student leadership groups and other activities				
*The charges below are collected separately from the Student Activity Package fee				
Athletics				
Some Team Sports	Uniform			
Boys' Football	Equipment Upkeep/Replacement/Certification			
Curling, Hockey	Ice Time			
Team Travel	TTC fares, bus fares			
Rugby	First Aid Fee (Professional Services)			
Additional Tournaments Registration fees				
All extra-curricular sports are partially financially supported through the Student Activity Package fees. Teams have the option of ordering their own team apparel.				
Library				
Photocopying	\$0.10 per copy			
Printing from Compu				
Fines	\$0.10 per school day for late books			
Locker				
Combination Locks	\$10.00			
Guidance				
Transcripts	No Charge to Current Students			
Field Trips				
Admission to events	Cost to students			
Transportation to/from	m Cost to students			
Food on trips	Cost to students			
Prices are subject to change. There may be additional costs.				
Additional				
Student Photographs	Cost to student – packages sent home			
Student Insurance	Cost to student – information on website			
Please issue payment using School Cash Online: https://tdsb.schoolcashonline.com				
School Cash Online Parent Help Desk – 1-866-961-1803				
Should your family have financial needs, please see your Vice Principal				

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## **Accepted Payment Methods**



## What is School Cash Online?

School Cash Online allows parents to easily make online payments for the school fees available to their children.

- Pay all your student's school fees with the click of a button. Wherever. Whenever.
- Stay connected and informed of all school activities
- Never miss out on field trips, school events, yearbooks and more
- Say hello to smart online forms, and goodbye to cumbersome paper based forms for data submissions

## How to Register

Follow these instructions to create your School Cash Online account today.

1 Create Your Profile:

Go to <u>https://tdsb.schoolcashonline.com</u> and click on "Register".

2 Confirm Your Email:

Check your inbox for the email confirmation and click on the link inside. Sign in with your new login details.

#### 3 Add a Student

Click "Add Student" and fill in the required fields with your child's details.



For more information contact Parent Helpdesk at parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com



## 1. Download the app

You can find the app - *it's free to download! -* on the App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android) on your phone by

- · Searching in the store for "My School Day"
- · Going to https://myschoolday.app/download in the browser on your phone
- Using the QR or snap codes below





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Make sure to allow it to receive notifications when asked - the school will use them to send out important reminders, information and alerts.

## 2. Select your school

The first time you start the app you will need to select your school. Choose a province, school district, and finally your school from the lists provided, and tap "confirm". *This only needs to be done once.* 

## 3. Subscribe to channels.

Channels let the school administration and teachers send out information specific to your classes and activities, so you get only those notifications for your classes and those of interest to the entire school. To subscribe to channels:

- Tap the menu icon at the bottom left
- Select "Select Channels" from the menu
- · Tap the checkbox for the channels you are interested in
- Tap on the "Done" button.

Remember to check back regularly for new channels that your teachers may have added.

## 4. Enter your classes

Tap on the gear icon in the bottom right corner. Enter your class names and select colours. You can also enter morning, lunch, and after school activities.

## 5. Access school and class links and files

The school and teachers will add links and files that provide resources to the school community such as course materials for remote learning, health advisories, and other school, district, and provincial information. To access these school-wide and channel-specific resources:To subscribe to channels:

- Tap the menu icon at the bottom left
- Select "Files and Links" from the menu.

Remember to check back regularly for new resources that your teachers may have added.

## HUMBERSIDE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL **REQUEST FOR PARENT EMAIL ADDRESSES**



The Humberside School Advisory Council ("Council") is a collaborative team of parent, student, and staff representatives who help improve student achievement and enhance the accountability of the education system to parents through open and transparent communication with the Principal and the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) on matters relating to education and day-to-day life at Humberside.

Council meetings, which occur once a month, are open to the public to encourage input from parents and other members of the school community. These meetings are important opportunities to be informed, and provide input and feedback to the principal and TDSB.

The Council uses email to keep parents/guardians who agree to receive our emails informed and updated. Our emails are typically to share information and agendas for upcoming meetings, minutes from previous meetings, information about school events, or to seek your help or opinion on significant matters within our mandate.

Please let us know, by filling the form below whether we are able to contact you via email. You can submit the form directly to the principal's office or email a scanned form to humbersidecouncil@gmail.com.

Thank you,

**HCI School Advisory Council** 

I agree to receive emails from humbersidecouncil@gmail.com and may unsubscribe at any time.

Name: Date:

Email: \_\_\_\_\_