

Year Round Services at Georges Vanier Newcomers Reception Centre:

The Reception Centre has multilingual staff that can assist newcomer students and their families. Newcomer families will also have a chance to meet at the Reception Centre with a Settlement Worker, who can give them information on settlement topics such as finding housing, looking for employment, accessing health care in Ontario, and connecting with a variety of support agencies. All secondary students must make an appointment with the Reception Centre by telephone. Contact Georges Vanier Reception Centre at 416-395-9384.

SEPT Services During Summer:

A. In Libraries:

During the summer when schools are closed, SEPT workers are placed in public libraries, where newcomers are likely to encounter them.

B. In Schools:

Newcomer Orientation Week (NOW)

The Newcomer Orientation Week program provides orientation to newly-arrived high school students. Over three and-a-half days in the last week of the summer, the students are oriented to their school by Peer Leaders-students who were newcomers in recent years.

Welcome and Information for Newcomers (WIN)

The Welcome and Information for Newcomers program was developed to help newcomer teens entering middle school (grades 6-8). WIN uses some of the same programming elements as NOW but is one day instead of four. Whereas NOW is a full orientation to high school, WIN is a basic introduction intended to build a positive foundation for parents and students to interact with the school and settlement worker. Peer leaders are also central to WIN, helping demonstrate elements in the program and to build friendships with the newcomer students.

Settlement and Education Partnerships in Toronto (SEPT)



The Centre for Immigrant and Community Services

(CICS) is funded by three levels of government and the United Way to provide a wide range of settlement programs and services in Toronto and York Region. Our Mission is to empower newcomers in settling and integrating as contributing members of Canadian society through diverse, professional and innovative services. Our staff speaks over 13 languages collectively and we serve newcomers of all age groups. The dedication, compassion and hard work of volunteers and staff places CICS at the forefront of serving newcomers. CICS is a partner in **The Settlement and Education Partnerships in Toronto (SEPT)** in partnership with the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) and the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB).

Since September 1999, settlement workers from CICS have been placed in elementary and secondary schools in North York to provide the following services:

- Proactively contact newcomer parents (and youth in secondary schools) to assist them with their settlement needs;
- Refer the families to more specialized community resources;
- Provide group information sessions for newcomer youth and parents;
- Provide orientation about the settlement needs of newcomers for school staff.

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In the current school year, we are regularly working in the following schools:

Avondale Elementary AS	Avondale PS	AY Jackson SS	Brebeuf College
Churchill PS	Crestview PS	Cummer Valley MS	Earl Haig SS
Forest Manor PS	George S. Henry Academy	Georges Vanier SS	Highland MS
Kingslake PS	Lillian PS	McKee PS	Newtonbrook SS
Pleasant PS	Pleasant View MS	RJ Lang E&MS	
Sir Ernest MacMillan SPS	Sir John A MacDonald CI	St. Joseph Morrow Park CSS	St. Paschal Baylon CS
St. Timothy CS	Steelesview PS	Willowdale MS	Woodbine MS
Yorkview PS	Zion Heights MS		

In addition, we provide itinerant service to other schools.*

Services are provided in the following languages:

- Arabic
- Punjabi
- Mandarin
- Urdu
- Cantonese
- Hindi
- Russian
- Dari
- Korean
- Tagalog
- Farsi
- Malayalam
- Ukrainian

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Itinerant Schools*:

Arbor Glen PS	Avondale Secondary AS	Beverly Glen JPS	Brian PS
Bridlewood JPS	Cameron PS	Cherokee PS	Chester Le JPS
Claude Watson School for the Arts	Cliffwood PS	Cresthaven PS	Dallington PS
Don Valley MS	Donsview MH&W Academy	Drewry SS	Ernest PS
Fairglen JPS	Fenside PS	Finch PS	Hillmount PS
JB Tyrrell SPS	Lescon PS	Lester B Pearson ES	Muirhead PS
North Bridlewood JPS	North East Year Round Alternative Ctr.	Pineway PS	Rene Gordon H&W Academy
Roywood PS	Seneca Hill PS	Shaughnessey PS	Sir Samuel B Steele JPS
Vradenburg JPS			

Blessed Sacrament CS	Blessed Trinity CS	Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts	Holy Redeemer CS
Loretto Abbey CSS	Our Lady of Guadalupe CS	St. Agnes CS	St. Antoine Daniel CS
St. Cyril CS	St. Edward CS	St. Gabriel CS	St. Gerald CS
St. Kateri Tekakwitha CS	St. Margaret CS	St. Matthias CS	

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