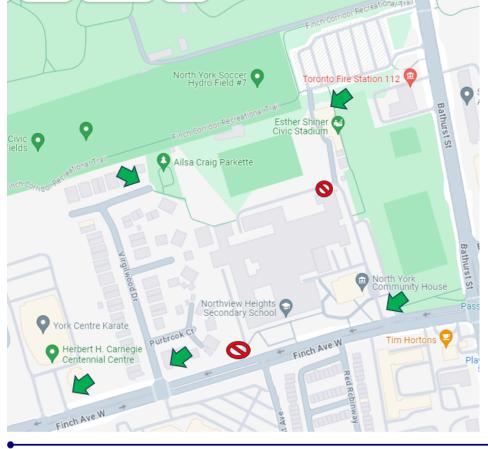
Calendar of School Events - Sep 2-13

Monday Sept 2	Tuesday Sept 3	Wednesday Sept 4	Thursday Sept 5	Friday Sept 6
Labour Day (School Closed)	Classes Begin Late Start 9:55 Cafeteria Closed	Cafeteria Closed	Cafeteria Opens	Night School Info Session @ Lunch
Monday Sept 9	Tuesday Sept 10	Wednesday Sept 11	Thursday Sept 12	Friday Sept 13
			E-Learning Day Courses Begin	Positive School Climate Assemblies

Student Arrival Safety

Student safety is our highest concern at Northview. Each year we observe risky driver behaviour when students are being dropped off and picked up from school. Families must note the following:

- The WEST side parking lot is designated for **TDSB Staff parking only**. Please DO NOT attempt to use this parking lot for student drop-off or pick-up. Use the Esther Shiner Stadium parking lot, Virgilwood Drive, the Ailsa Craig Parkette or the Herb Carnegie Centennial Centre instead. (See below)
- Student drop off on Finch Avenue is dangerous. **Do not** use the TTC lane or make U-turns on Finch Avenue when dropping off students.
- The NHSS "Kiss and Go" drop-off/pick-up loop is located in our EAST side parking lot and we ask that ALL student drop-off and pick-up occur in the EAST side parking lot.
- Please do not block the school bus drop off/pick up area in the northeast area of the school.
- Student parking will be limited to a small number of spaces in the rear of school accessible via the east side parking lot on a first come, first served basis.



Student Conduct Safety

A positive school climate and a safe learning and teaching environment are essential for student success. We believe that everyone has a role to play in promoting a positive school climate. Next week, we will be sharing the updated Student Handbook for families to review. school policies and expectations. On **Friday, September 13**, students will participate in a Caring & Safe Schools Assembly to go over some of the highlights pertaining to school safety, code of conduct, expectations and TDSB Policies and Chart of Consequences. Many of these items are in the <u>official welcome to the new school year from the TDSB</u> that includes many important dates, documents, policies and resources included.

School Start-Up forms and Student Device Agreement

The Start of Year Forms and Student Device Agreement have been sent to all secondary student families by IT Services on August 29. IT Services will send reminders to families who have not completed the forms. Forms in this year's package include:

- Permission to Participate in Offsite Walk Excursions
- Student Media Release Consent (for School/TDSB Events)
- Student Media Release Consent (Media Organizations)
- Permission to Leave School in Severe Weather Conditions (Grades 6-12)
- Medical Information Form (511E)

Province-Wide Vape Mobile Device Ban

Beginning on September 1, 2024, the Ministry of Education has provided <u>new direction</u> around vape and mobile device use in all Ontario schools. By reducing the distraction of cell phones and mobile devices, together we can create more focused and engaging learning environments for students. Families are encouraged to review the new <u>TDSB Mobile Device Policy</u> and the corresponding <u>Letter from the</u> <u>Minister of Education</u>. (See poster below)





At Northview Heights SS, **all personal communication devices** (cell phones, tablets and other smart devices) must be powered off and stored completely out of view during all instructional classes except with the permission of the classroom teacher granted immediately prior to each use.

Below is a summary of the province's requirements for cell phone/mobile device use, effective **September 1, 2024:**

- All Members of the School Community All members of the school community must not use personal mobile devices during instructional time except for educational purposes (as directed by an educator), for health and medical purposes, or to support special education needs.
- Students in Grades 6 and Below Students' personal mobile devices must be stored out of view and powered off or set to silent mode throughout the full instructional day, except when their use is explicitly permitted by the educator under the circumstances outlined above. If an educator sees a personal mobile device that is not stored out of view, they must require the device be handed in for the instructional day and the device must be placed, by the student, in a storage area in a location designated by the principal.
- Students in Grades 7 to 12 Personal mobile devices must be stored out of view and powered off or set to silent mode during instructional time, except when their use is explicitly permitted by the educator under the circumstances outlined above. If the educator sees a personal mobile device that is not stored out of view, they must require the device be handed in for the instructional period and the device must be placed, by the student, in a storage area in a location in the classroom designated by the educator.

School Photos

If your child missed having their photos taken this week, there will be another opportunity on **September 17th**. Students must have their picture taken in order to receive their student ID card. The student ID card will be used as proof of student enrolment at events, using the TTC as well as borrowing books from the library. Students will also have the opportunity to purchase picture packages online.

Student Activity Fee

Payment of the \$50 Student Activity Fee is required for every student registered at Northview. The school activity fee will enable students to obtain a yearbook, a photo student activity card, and access to a variety of clubs and outreach activities, guest speakers, drama, arts, music productions, and a Dudley lock for grade 9s if required. **The** *School Activity Fee of \$50 must be paid in order to receive a SAC photo card.*

In order to pay your student's fee, please use <u>School Cash Online</u>. If you do not have an account, use <u>this guide to make an account for School Cash Online</u>, or <u>this guide to learn</u> <u>about School Cash Online</u>. If you are unable to access School Cash Online, you may bring \$50 cash or cheque made out to *Northview Heights Secondary School*.

Please pay the student activity fee by Monday, September 25th so that all students can participate right away in clubs and councils this school year. Please contact the appropriate alpha Vice-Principal if you have any questions about the student activity fee.

Student Lockers

All students will be assigned a locker by the end of the first week of September by their first period teachers. Students may purchase a new one in the main office for \$10 (or \$5 used).

Covid Protocols

Northview will continue to follow any Covid Protocols established by the TDSB and Toronto Public Health to ensure the safety of our students and staff. Specific information will be communicated to you on an on-going basis. At this time, wearing a mask is the personal choice of each student and staff member.

Northview Graduate Recognition

Arisha Mahey (Class of 2024) was recently <u>recognized as one of the</u> <u>TDSB's top scholars</u> for her outstanding 99.6% overall average. The link above is a CTV News video of her achievement. Arisha was also recognized by <u>CP24</u> and the <u>Toronto Star</u>.

Northview Graduate @ the Olympics

Cassie Lee (Class of 2023) <u>represented Canada in gymnastics</u> at the Paris Olympics this summer - helping the team to a 5th place finish. Here is Cassie talking about <u>standout Olympic moments</u> and <u>competing at the Olympics</u>. Cassie graduated from Northview's Academic Program for Gifted Athletes (APGA) as an Ontario Scholar.

Cafeteria

Our cafeteria will be closed on the first and second day of school and will reopen on **Thursday, September 5th**.

Guidance Google Classrooms

Students can stay informed by joining the Guidance Google Classroom for their grade with the following codes.

Grade 9: ckfc36h Grade 10: frtvksx Grade 11: swev7ee Grade 12: nwle7md



Students on Spare

Senior students on spare periods who are in the building are to be in the library only.



Student Timetables

Timetables will be emailed to students on Fri Aug 30th. Students can access their timetable electronically via TDSB CONNECTS APP. Paper copies are not available.

Grade 9:

All grade 9 students have complete timetables. Every effort was made to give students their first choice of course, therefore if an alternative appeared on your student's timetable, their first choice was not available. **NO CHANGES will be made to grade 9 timetables.**

Grade 10:

- If a blank appears on the student's timetable, they should report to the library during this "spare" period. They will receive further instructions upon their arrival.
- Changes to grade 10 Semester 1 timetables will only be made in cases where the student has failed a prerequisite or has passed summer school for a course currently on their timetable.

Grade 11 and 12:

- If a blank appears on the student's timetable and a spare was not requested (Gr 12 only), the student should report to the library during this "spare" period. They will receive further instructions upon their arrival.
- Students wishing to change a class can fill in the Course Request Change Google Form available AFTER SEPT 4th. Changes can only be made if space exists in the requested class(es).
- Students must follow their timetable as is until they are seen by their counsellor. They should not be in the halls or attending the class they hope to switch into. Failure to do so will delay your timetable change request.

September is an extremely busy month in Guidance and as such we respectfully request that students not come to guidance to request timetable changes, but instead follow the procedures outlined above.

Parent Resources

Here is a link to a variety of useful parent and caregiver resources from the TDSB.

Accessing Digital Student Tools

<u>This resource</u> has numerous links to online learning platforms and digital tools that Northview students will require during the school year.

Special Education Guide

Here is a link to the newly released Guide to Special Education resource for families.

Head Start to High School

A big welcome to our incoming grade nine students (officially renamed the **Class of 2028**), many of whom participated in Head Start to High School Day earlier this week.



Head Start Leaders

Many thanks to our energetic group of student volunteers who gave up an August day to support our grade nine students at Head Start to High School Day. The day would not have been possible without the leadership of Ms. Juruc and the many staff members who supported the event.



Student Passwords

Student accounts have been active throughout the summer and passwords did not expire. As a result, student account passwords **will not be centrally reset** for school opening. Students can reset their own passwords directly on the login page of many online tools, including Brightspace and Zoom. Once registered, students will be able to use security questions, email, phone, text message or an "authenticator" smartphone app, to validate their password reset requests.

New students to TDSB will have their password set to the Shared Secret Password. This is a combination of the last 4 digits of your Student Number, followed by 2 digits for your day of birth, and 2 digits for your month of birth, followed by "@Tdsb" (case sensitive and 13 characters in total).



Semester 1 e-Learning Day School Registration Registration for Semester 1 e-Learning Day School courses began on Wednesday, May 29, 2024. A list of courses can be found here.

Students are asked to connect with their home school Guidance Counsellors after registering for an e-Learning course on the e-Reg system so that Counsellors can approve the student's request after confirming prerequisites. Student orientation will take place on Wednesday, September 11, 2024. Courses begin on Thursday, September 12, 2024. Please see the flyer below for more information

Save the Dates

Photo Day: Sept 17 Late Start 9:55: Sept 18 Grade 9 SAC Election: Sept 24 School Fee Due: Sept 25 Late Start 9:55: Sept 25 Scholarships Presentation: Sept 26 Terry Fox Run: Sept 26 Rosh Hashanah begins: **Oct 2** National Day of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women: **Oct 4** Post-Secondary Pathways Fair **Oct 9** Student Club Fair:

Oct 9 PD Day: Oct 11



Cell Phone & Mobile Device Use in Secondary Schools



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We ask all TDSB students to follow the direction below around cell phones and mobile devices at school and in classrooms:

Secondary Students



During instructional time, except when permitted by the educator:

 Cell phone/mobile devices powered off or set to silent

For more information, visit www.tdsb.on.ca/mobiledeviceuse.

Interested in e-Learning Day School for Semester 1? Contact your Guidance Counsellor

e-learning day School registration Opens May 29!

Sign-up instructions are available here: https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/elearning/e-Learning-Day-School

IMPORTANT:

Request a course in e-Reg and provide your Guidance Counsellor with your Consent Form to allow them to approve your request. Courses fill up quickly! Registration closes by September 20, 2024.

Questions? Check out our <u>website</u> or email us: elearning@tdsb.on.ca



Menu for the Week of Sept 2nd

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soup \$3.00					
Entree \$6 - \$8	Labour Day School Closed	Cafeteria Closed	Cafeteria Closed	Limited Selections Available	Limited Selections Available
Sides \$2.50 - \$3.00					
Dessert \$1					

Sandwiches	Hot-Buffet Menu		
Ham / Ham & Cheese \$3.25			
Turkey \$3.25	Soup \$3.00		
Egg \$3.00	Pasta & Sauce \$3.00		
Tuna \$3.50	Fried Rice \$3.00		
Veggie \$3.00	Potatoes \$2.50		
	(portioned in 12 fl oz container)		
<u>Other</u>	Hot Sandwiches		
Tossed Salad: Seasonal pricing	Beef Burger \$3.25		
Cookies \$1.00	Cheese Burger \$3.50		
	Grilled Chicken Sandwich \$3.25		
	Chicken Wrap \$4.00		