

Calendar of School Events - Oct 14-25

Monday Oct 14	Tuesday Oct 15	Wednesday Oct 16	Thursday Oct 17	Friday Oct 18
Indigenous People's Day Thanksgiving (School Closed)	Photo Retakes Boys' Soccer OYAP Info Night (Online)	Jnr & Snr Boys' Volleyball	MacMaster University Visit Parent-Teacher Interview Booking Begins	St Francis Xavier University Visit
Monday Oct 21	Tuesday Oct 22	Wednesday Oct 23	Thursday Oct 24	Friday Oct 25
Boys' Volleyball	Ontario tech University Visit	Late Start 9:55		

Principal's Message: Racism, Hate & Discrimination

It goes without saying that everyone deserves to be treated with dignity and respect. When inappropriate comments are said at Northview - in a classroom or in the hallways - they are addressed. **Racism, hate and/or discrimination have no place in our schools and sites.**



When these incidents are brought to staff's attention, they offer support to impacted students as soon as possible. Resources such as social work are made available to offer direct support and to help create a plan to repair the harm to students, staff and/or learning environment. This work is done in consultation with the TDSB's Equity Department, Professional Support Services Department, and often the Urban Indigenous Education Centre.

As we continue to work to ensure all people feel safe and valued at Northview, we continue to rely on parents/guardians to have important and critical conversations with students about the impact of hurtful and harmful comments. Through open communication and ongoing dialogue, I am confident we will succeed in our goals of making all students feel welcomed and valued here. ~Anita Ghazariansteja

Northview School Council

Our first School Council meeting was held on Tuesday October 1st, 2024. Here, we reviewed some of the goals and aims of the School Council, and elected 13 voting members. Among these members, executive members were elected for 2024-2025 as follows:

- Co-Chairs Ms. Soma Choudhury and Mr. Ali Lila
- Vice-Chair – Ms. Anna-Kay Brown
- Treasurer – Ms. Suzanne Yoo
- Secretary – Ms. Kayla Rudberg-Rotman

More information on school council meetings will be coming out soon, including future meeting dates.

Artificial Intelligence Professional Development

At today's PD Day, staff received professional development from [Katina Papulkas](#) from Dell Technologies on Navigating Learning in the Age of AI & Unlocking AI: Prompt Engineering for Education.

Special Education Update

Thank you to all families who returned their **IEP Consultation forms**. IEP updating is almost done and families can expect to receive a copy the week of October 21st.

Parent/Guardian/Caregiver feedback is important and can still be shared after this date as the IEP is a Living Document that evolves over time.

Caring and Safe Schools Committee: Another Way to Get Involved

Northview is currently looking for parent/guardian/caregiver and student representatives for our **Caring and Safe Schools Committee**. The committee will work together to ensure a positive and peaceful school. If you are a parent or a student interested in serving on this committee to support and foster a safe, inclusive, and accepting school climate, please email Principal anita.ghazariansteja@tdsb.on.ca.



The committee will be composed of at least one student and parent rep, a community partner, the equity rep, the positive spaces rep, a non-teaching rep and a school administrator. The Committee will meet at lunch time on the **first Thursday** of the month.

School Bus Procedures

If your child takes the school bus to Northview, please read the following regarding parental late drop offs and early pick-ups:

1. Please continue to notify the bus company **directly** of any changes to pick up and drop off.
2. **NEW-** please email Amanda.Drover-Soriano@tdsb.on.ca and Leanne.McGuirk@tdsb.on.ca to advise if your child will not be on the bus in the morning or afternoon(whichever applies).
3. **NEW-** If your child comes to school late or gets picked up early (not being on the bus for that specific day in the morning or afternoon) please:



A. If you are dropping your child off, they must go to the main office BEFORE going to class and sign in, stating that they normally take the bus. If you cannot come in with your child and they need assistance signing in, please call the school and ask for a safety monitor to meet you at the door you are at and they will support your child signing in. **OR**

B. If you are signing your child out early, please do so at the main office AND tell the office that your child takes the school bus.

By following this procedure we will ensure your child's safety with clear communication between numerous people.

Student Activity Fee

Thank you to families who have paid the Student Activity Fee and/or purchased a yearbook. Payment of the fee is required for every Northview student. The fee includes the Northview student ID card, (for the TTC, Toronto Public Library, etc). The fees are used to subsidize extra-curricular programs, clubs, councils, student unions, SAC events such as semi-formal, the Phoenix Fest carnival, guest speakers and initiatives throughout the year.

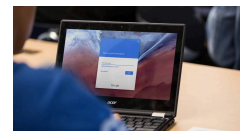
Please pay the fee ASAP so that all students can participate right away in clubs and councils. Families can contact a Vice Principal with any questions. All school [payments can be made through School Cash On-Line](#).

Permission/Consent and Medical Forms

Every Northview family must submit a completed forms package. The **Start of Year Forms and Student Device Agreement** was sent to all students at the end of August 2024. A completed forms package must be on file for every student registered at Northview. Weekly reminders will be sent to families who have not completed the forms. Please [contact us](#) if you have any questions or issues completing the forms package on-line.

1:1 Devices for Grade 9 Students

Students in grades 5 & 9 will receive a **TDSB-owned & managed Chromebook**. The program's purpose is to empower students to use technology for learning when and as needed. Students are encouraged to use the device during school and take it home daily, on weekends and holidays, including the summer. The device will be assigned to students and will remain with the student for four years.



In order to receive a device, parents must sign the [Student Device Agreement](#), which was emailed with the Start of Year forms.

1:1 Devices for Senior Students or Students New to the TDSB

If your child is in Grade 10-12 and / or new to the TDSB and would like to opt-in to 1:1 Device Program, they need to see Ms. Lainas-Hayward in the Library for the Student Device Agreement form. Please sign and return the form to the Library by October 10th.

Special Education Update

Thank you to all families that have returned the IEP Parent Consultation Letter sent home over the course of the last week. *If you HAVE NOT received this vital form, please check in with your child and if not found please immediately email:*

Amanda.Drover-Soriano@tdsb.on.ca and Leanne.McGuirk@tdsb.on.ca

IEPs are being updated and are on track. SEA devices are arriving as well. If your child has a SEA device, is NEW to Northview Heights, and you have not heard from the school, please contact Amanda.Drover-Soriano@tdsb.on.ca for follow up.

Guidance Upcoming Events:

Ontario College Fair: Exhibition Place; Wed Oct 16 and Thurs Oct 17th <https://ontariocollegefair.ca/>

University lunch visits at NHSS 11:45 am in the front foyer

- **Oct 17th:** McMaster University
- **Oct 18th** St. Francis Xavier University
- **Oct 22nd:** Ontario Tech University

Accelerated OYAP Info Night (Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program) Tuesday, October 15, 2024 6:30pm - 8:30pm Online [Link to Join](#)

Grade 9 Introductory Visits

During the month of October, guidance encourages **ALL grade 9 students to come into the guidance office** and book an introductory appointment with their counsellor. At this appointment, we will give students a tour of guidance, review graduation requirements, talk about community service and answer any questions they may have.

Post Secondary Fair Follow-Up

Guidance would like to thank all those who came out to the Post Secondary Pathways Fair. It was a huge success. If you missed the presentations, you can [access them on the Northview Heights website](#).

Building Well

Students M. Kallinis, M. Egnatis and M. Yen recently completed a **6-day gazebo construction project** at a TDSB Outdoor Education Centre in Huntsville. Congratulations to the team and staff supervisor Mr. Leo Vant Erve for this great accomplishment!



Parent-Teacher Interviews

Semester 1 **parent-teacher interviews take place on Tuesday, October 29th** from 2-4pm and 6-8pm. Online booking of interviews begins this Thursday, October 17th at noon to Monday, October 28th at noon. Booking information will be sent to families directly.

Take Our Kids to Work Day

Grade 9 families are encouraged to begin conversations around where their child might visit on [Take Our Kids to Work Day](#) on November 6th.

Free Peer Tutoring

Northview's **Reaching New Height Peer Tutoring Club** is ready to help any students struggling in math, English, science, or French. Interested students can join the Google Classroom (using the code: q6dk3ca), and fill out the corresponding Google Form. More information is [available on the flyer](#) below.

An Abundance of Student Leaders

Here's a sampling of Northview student leaders and the organizations they represented at this week's **Club Fair**. Many thanks to the Student Council for organizing. The Northview clubs Directory is growing, and [can be accessed here](#).



Cyber SHSM: Specialist High Skills Major Leadership Certifications

The Creative Center Arts SHSM students kicked off this year's program with a visit to Forest Valley Outdoor Education Centre. Presentations and activities focussed on different leadership styles and skills. The day ended with the students presenting what they had learned and earning a certification.



Cyber SHSM: 24-Hour Animation Contest

Last Friday three teams from Northview took part in the *24 Hour Animation Contest*. Students from around the world compete in teams of 5 to complete a 30 second animated film based on a given theme. This year 556 teams from 17 high schools and over 200 universities and colleges took part. The challenge was to create a vision for the future with AI as a friend or foe and show how our world might fail or benefit from its evolution.



We are proud of the students that collaborated on original and meaningful concepts. The animations, and behind the scenes footage, can be showcased after the awards show this weekend.

Cyber SHSM: York University Visit

On Wednesday, students from the Grade 12 Cyber and Visual Art classes got to experience post secondary life at York University. They had a guided campus tour from a Northview Cyber Graduate, Portfolio Talk and Scholarship talk from a professor, gallery visits and a scavenger hunt.



Students learned about pathways and programs in the arts and other areas of study.

Save the Dates

Oct 28: Boys' Volleyball home game
Oct 28: Parent-Teacher Interview booking access closes (Noon)
Oct 29: Parent-Teacher Interviews
Oct 30: Boys' Volleyball home game
Oct 30: Phoenix 5000
Oct 30: Late Start 9:55
Oct 31: Diwali
Oct 31: Halloween
Oct 31: Bake Sale & Cookie Decorating
Nov 6: Civics/Careers Changeover
Nov 6: Take Our Kids to Work Day

Nov 11: Remembrance Day
Nov 12: Midterm Report Cards
Nov 15: PD Day
Nov 20: Late Start
Nov 27: Late Start
Dec 11: Late Start
Dec 18: Late Start
Dec 20: Holiday Assembly
Dec 20: Last Day before Winter Break
Dec 23-Jan 3 Winter Break
Jan 6: Classes Resume



Menu for the Week of Oct 14th

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soup \$3.00		Chili Bean	Miso	Brunswick	Leek and Potato
Entree \$6 - \$8	Thanksgiving (School Closed)	Pastitsio with Tossed Salad	Teriyaki Chicken with Steamed Rice and Vegetables	Philly Cheesesteak Sandwich with Fries	Falafel Salad Bowl
Sides \$2.50 - \$3.00	Selection of Rice Stir Fry, Pasta with Sauce or Potato available daily				
Dessert \$2	Tasty Selection of dessert treats available daily				

<u>Cold Menu</u>	<u>Hot-Buffer Menu</u> <u>served from Student Servery Side</u>
<p>Tossed Salad \$3.50</p> <p>Sandwiches \$2.50 and up (individually priced)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ham & Cheese - Egg - Tuna Salad <p>Bagel with Cream Cheese \$2.50</p>	<p>Pasta & Sauce \$3.00</p> <p>Vegetable Stir Fried Rice \$3.00</p> <p>Potatoes \$2.50</p> <p>Beef Burgers (Halal) \$3.25</p> <p>Cheese Burger (Halal) \$3.50</p> <p>Soup \$3.00</p>