

Calendar of School Events - Sep 9-20

Monday Sept 9	Tuesday Sept 10	Wednesday Sept 11	Thursday Sept 12	Friday Sept 13
Breakfast Program Begins	Grade 9 Device Deadline Locker Distribution Begins		E-Learning Day Courses Begin	
Monday Sept 16	Tuesday Sept 17	Wednesday Sept 18	Thursday Sept 19	Friday Sept 20
	Photo Day	Late Start 9:55	Welcome & Expectation Assemblies	Welcome & Expectation Assemblies

Timetable Changes

The school year is off to a great start. Guidance has received over 250 requests for timetable changes and will continue working on them throughout next week. The Guidance Dept. thanks students and families for their patience and understanding during this process.

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](#)



Breakfast Program

Northview's **Grab'n'Go Breakfast Program** begins in the front foyer from 8:15-8:45 on Monday. All items are vetted for allergens and nutritional value, and there is no charge to students.

Student Lockers

Locker distribution will begin on Tuesday morning with students having the **opportunity to select their locker location**. Returning Grade 10-12 students need to bring in their Northview-approved lock from last year. Grade 9s will be provided a free lock; students may purchase new and used replacement locks in the main office for \$5 and \$10.

School Start-Up forms and Student Device Agreement

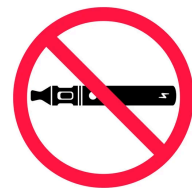
The **Start of Year Forms and Student Device Agreement** were sent to all secondary student primary email contacts IT Services on August 29. IT Services will send reminders to families who have not completed the forms. Forms in this year's package include:

- 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)
- 1: 1 Student Device Agreement (Grade 9s only)

*Note: The deadline for grade 9 families to register their student for a free Chromebook device for their high school career is this **Tuesday, September 10th**.*

Province-Wide Vape Mobile Device Ban

Beginning on September 1, 2024, the Ministry of Education has provided [new direction](#) 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 [TDSB Mobile Device Policy](#) and the corresponding [Letter from the Minister of Education](#). (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.

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 **Thursday and Friday, September 19 & 20**, students will participate in a Welcome & Expectations Assembly to go over some of the highlights pertaining to school safety, code of conduct, and the TDSB Policies and Chart of Consequences. Many of these items are in the [official welcome to the new school year from the TDSB](#) that includes many important dates, documents, policies and resources included.

Special Education Welcome

As we wrap up the first week of school, we in the Special Education Department hope that your child had a great week. As students move from their Elementary schools to Northview we are getting to know them and are here to support their needs. Our office is located in Student Success across from the Main Office. [Leanne McGuirk](#) is the ACL of MID and Special Education students whose surname starts with A-L and [Amanda Drover-Soriano](#) is the ACL of ASD and Special Education students whose surname starts with M-Z.

For all students with an IEP:

Parent/Guardian Consultation Letters will be coming home next week. Please return the form to school with your child as soon as possible. We value your input and appreciate your attention to this crucial form of communication.

For those students who have a Specialized Equipment Allocation (SEA) we are asking for your help in getting their technology into Northview and, most importantly, into the hands of their owners. If your child/children had a SEA device in Grade 8 that you are certain is not currently physically with them, we ask that you help us by:

1. Reaching out to the Grade 8 school and requesting that your child's SEA device be Transferred to Northview Heights SS attention to Amanda Drover-Soriano
 2. Email Amanda.Drover-Soriano@tdsb.on.ca and notify her that the request has been made. Please include the student's name, name of the elementary school and what kind of device it is.
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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 [School Cash Online](#). If you do not have an account, use [this guide to make an account for School Cash Online](#), or [this guide to learn about School Cash Online](#). 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 30th 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.

Parent Resources

Here is a link to a variety of useful [parent and caregiver resources](#) from the TDSB.

Accessing Digital Student Tools

[This resource](#) 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.



Save the Dates

Sept 24: Grade 9 SAC Election
Sept 24: G9 Family Meet & Greet
Sept 25: Late Start 9:55
Sept 26: Scholarships Presentation
Sept 26: Terry Fox Run
Sept 30: National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
Sept 30: School Fees Due
Oct 1: School Council Meeting
Oct 2: Rosh Hashanah begins
Oct 4: National Day of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women

Oct 9: Post-Secondary Pathways Fair
Oct 9: Student Club Fair
Oct 11: PD Day
Oct 11: Yom Kippur
Oct 14: Thanksgiving
Oct 15: Photo Retakes
Oct 23: Late Start 9:55
Oct 30: Late Start 9:55
Oct 31: Diwali



Cell Phone & Mobile Device Use in Secondary Schools



By reducing the distraction of cell phones and mobile devices, together we can create more focused and engaging learning environments for students!

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



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 [website](#) or email us:
elearning@tdsb.on.ca



Menu for the Week of Sept 9nd

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soup \$3.00	Limited Menu Selections Available				
Entree \$6 - \$8					
Sides \$2.50 - \$3.00					
Dessert \$1					

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