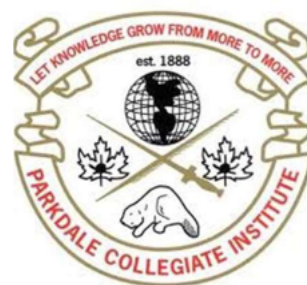


Parkdale Collegiate Institute  
***“Let knowledge grow from more to more”-***  
***A.F. Tennyson***



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## **Admission Policy**

The Central Admission team at the Toronto District School Board handles the admissions to the Parkdale CI's PreBac and IB Diploma Programme.

Interested students must apply to the grade 9/10/11 by visiting the Secondary Central Student Interest Programs Admissions site.

### **Application and Admissions**

All students who have an interest and passion for a particular area may apply to the centralized schools and programs.

Students are encouraged to attend Open House events and research the programs before submitting their application.

Where the number of applicants exceeds the number of spaces available in a program, all eligible applicants will be included in the random selection process.

### **Selection Process for Student Interest Programs**

When the number of applicants for a program exceeds the number of spaces available in the program, students will be selected through a process that supports the TDSB's commitment to improving representation among students in central student interest programs that reflect the diversity of the Board and the City.

Admission priorities for central student interest programs include the following:

- 20% of spaces reflect the TDSB and Toronto demographic for historically and currently underserved communities (students self-identifying as First Nations, Métis, Inuit, Black, Latin American and Middle Eastern)
- 50% of spaces for students self-identifying as female in Math, Science and Technology programs
- Admission priority to students who reside in the City of Toronto.

*As further demographic and registration data is gathered through the Student Census and the School Information System, additional groups of underserved students may be identified and data will allow for future prioritization through this process.*

### Random Selection Process Results

The random selection process for Central Student Interest Programs will occur centrally and all communication will come from [noreplyregistration@powerschool.com](mailto:noreplyregistration@powerschool.com).

The waitlist for secondary programs will be maintained until a certain date.

After this date, central waitlists are considered expired and students will be removed from the lists Addressing Empty Seats

Following the placement deadline there may be vacant seats in a Central Student Interest Program. To address these empty seats, the Central wait lists will be reduced (in order) to become Local Waitlists that only include:

1. Students who live in-area for the school offering the Central Student Interest Program
2. Students who are pre-registered to attend the school in the following year. This may include both current TDSB and students new to the TDSB who are registered to attend the school in September.
3. Note: Students attending the school through Out-of-Area Admissions will not be included.

Should space become available in the Central Student Interest Program, applicants will be considered for seats in the program in order of their position on the Local Waitlist. These moves will not be made until late June or early September. Schools without local catchment areas will not be making further offers into their programs.

This process is being established to help ensure that as many students as possible are given the opportunity to participate in focused programming across the TDSB.

## IB Programme Information on the Toronto District School Board website

The aim of all IB programmes is to develop globally- minded people who recognize our common humanity, a responsibility for shared guardianship of the planet, and wish to create a better and more peaceful world. *All potential applicants are expected to read and review the [IB Learner Profile](#).*

- We encourage students to consider the IB Program if they are interested in striving to develop the traits listed in the Learner Profile.
- Applicants should be internally motivated to produce their best work and demonstrate commitment to a challenging and rigorous learning environment.
- Students who meet the provincial standard in most areas of learning in Grades 7 and 8 are encouraged to consider the program.
- All potential applicants and their parent/guardian/caregiver are encouraged to attend at least one of the IB Open Houses to gain insight and understanding around the nature of this program.
- Students not pursuing the International Baccalaureate program will be expected to return to their designated school by address.

*Students interested in attending an International Baccalaureate program are required to submit an Expression of Interest along with their completed Central Student Interest Program Application. See the [Application and Admissions](#) webpage for more details. If the number of applicants exceeds the number of spaces available, all applicants will be eligible for the random selection process for Grade 9 & 10 - PreBac Programming*

To prepare students for the rigours of the IB Programme, students take their compulsory courses in Grades 9 and 10 at 'PreBac' level. The PreBac courses in Grades 9 and 10 follow the same semester schedule as other Grade 9 and 10 classes. To accommodate the additional material in the IB curriculum, Grade 9 and 10 PreBac courses move through the Ontario Curriculum at an accelerated pace and incorporate extra units and activities specific to IB: for example, adding units to the Grade 9 and 10 courses, completing Grade 11 Ontario courses in the Grade 10 year, etc.

## IB DP Certificate Programme Admission

**WHEN SPACE PERMITTED**, the IB DP Certificate Programme is open to any Parkdale Collegiate Institute student interested in any HL subject (maximum 3) offered at Parkdale CI (English A, History, Psychology, Chemistry, Film). A lottery following the admissions priorities of the TDSB will follow the school board protocol if more candidates are interested than available spaces.


In addition, students outside of the IB DP programme are encouraged to take TOK, Extended Essay, and any other SL courses( French/Spanish/Math/Biology) to experience the IB curriculum. However, those students don't take the Year 2 IB DP exams.

*The Parkdale Collegiate Institute community must adhere to the Admission Policy set up annually by the Toronto District School Board Secondary School Programs Admission Team.*

### **Reference Documents:**

Toronto District School Board (TDSB) Documents

[Secondary Central Student Interest Programs](#)

 FormSubmission-CentralInterestPrograms.docx

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1N1\\_ICaObBzE2aMqaHu8IfXi343QICdk/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1N1_ICaObBzE2aMqaHu8IfXi343QICdk/edit)

Central Student Interest Programs Application.mp4

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1pVHEYpfu0I&t=10s>

### **Parkdale CI Documents:**

Course Selection Worksheets