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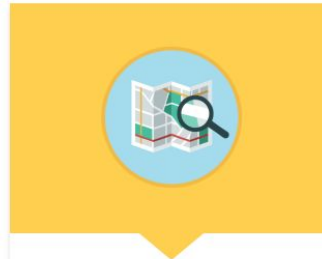
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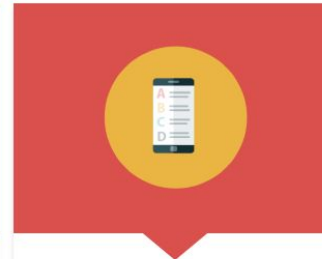
Find Your School

Find your designated school by entering your address, see school contact details and find out who your principal, vice-principal, superintendent and trustee are. Also explore other educational opportunities through the TDSB.



By Home Address

Fill in your address in the search box



By School Name

Browse by alphabetical school listing

Central Program Admissions Office

The Central Program Admissions Office coordinates and facilitates the application and enrollment processes for TDSB Central Programs listed below.

Specialized Programs

The TDSB offers Specialized Programs that are focused on the Arts, Math, Science & Technology, Leadership and more! All students meeting the eligibility requirements with an interest in the program focus are invited to apply.

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The application for September 2026 will be open from **Monday, November 24 to Friday, December 12, 2025 at noon.**

Learn more about each of the programs:

- [Arts](#)
- [International Baccalaureate](#)
- [Leadership](#)
- [Math, Science and Technology](#)

Please note that transportation is not provided for any Specialized Program.

Learn more about:

- [Applications and Admissions](#)
- [Addressing Vacant Seats](#)
- [Academic Achievement and Demonstrations of Knowledge and Skills](#)
- [FAQ Secondary French and Specialized Programs](#)
- [Elementary Specialized Programs](#)

Today	<	>	November 2025	<	>	Month
SUN 26		MON 27	TUE 28	WED 29	THU 30	FRI 31 SAT Nov 1
2		3 6pm Etobicoke Sch	4 6pm Wexford Colleg 6pm **NEW TIME** 3 more	5 5pm Danforth CTI C 6pm Rosedale Heig 3 more	6 6pm Central Techni 6pm Marc Garneau 2 more	7 8



Important Information to Consider Before you Apply for a Specialized Program

A Specialized Program is a school or program that has a particular focus. In applying for a Specialized Program, you are applying with the intention of attending that school, in the requested program, every day for the next 4 years.

- **Transportation is the responsibility of the applicant.**
- If a student opts to not continue in a program, they will be expected to return to their designated school by address.

Important Information to Consider Before you Apply for a Specialized Program

- Applicants select one TYPE of program.
- Applicants have a primary program choice, and may opt to include an alternate program choice.
- The alternate program choice **MUST** be of the same type of program. (***NEW***)

Program Choice required [i](#)

International Baccalaureate ▼

Primary School Choice required [i](#)

Monarch Park Collegiate Institute (grades 9 - 10) ▼

Alternate School Choice - Optional [i](#)

Parkdale Collegiate Institute (grades 9 - 10) ▼

Important Information to Consider Before you Apply for a Specialized Program

Alternate choices will only be considered after all primary applications for that program (living in the city of Toronto) have been considered.

Applicants living outside the city of Toronto will be considered after all applicants residing in Toronto have been considered for their primary and alternate choices.

If an applicant is accepted to their primary choice school, they will not be considered for their alternate choice.

If an applicant is offered a spot in their alternate choice, they will remain on the waitlist for their primary choice until the waitlist expires.

Important Information to Consider Before you Apply for a Specialized Program

- Applicants to secondary programs who were not in a TDSB school in June 2025 will need to upload a PDF of their June 2025 report card (and their first report if the data is not shown in the June report card). (*NEW*)
- Applicants must meet the report card benchmark in order to be eligible for consideration. (*NEW*)
 - Meeting the benchmark does not guarantee that the applicant will be seated.

Applicant Eligibility: Report Card Benchmark

- In order to be an eligible applicant, the following Grade 7 (applicants for Grade 9) or Grade 8 (applicants for Grade 10) report card marks will be reviewed and **no more than 2** can fall below the Provincial Standard (70%):
 - Language
 - Math
 - Science and Technology
 - Geography
 - History
 - French (average of 4 strands)
 - Art (average of 4 strands)
 - Physical and Health Education (average of 2 strands)

Applicants may wish to use the [Report Card Benchmark Calculator](#) to confirm their eligibility before applying.

Specialized Programs Application Timelines

- **November 24, 2025** - Specialized Programs Online Application opens
- **December 12, 2025** - Specialized Programs Online Application closes (*noon*)

Students and parents/guardians and caregivers are encouraged to attend all relevant Open Houses to learn more about the programs.

Late applications will not be accepted.

All applicants must attend the in-person demonstration of knowledge and skills.

Seating Criteria for Specialized Programs

- Admissions are no longer based on applicant interest and through a lottery. ***Applicants will be selected and seated in programs based on the strength of their application. (*NEW*)***
 - Report card achievement from select subjects from 2024-25 will make up 30% of your applicant score.
 - The evaluation of your demonstration of knowledge and skills will make up the remaining 70% of your applicant score.

Visit the [Academic Achievement and Demonstration of Knowledge and Skills](#) website for more detailed information.

Learning-Related Accommodations

Applicants can request learning related accommodations on the in-person demonstration of knowledge and skills in the application.

Appropriate accommodations relevant to the format of the assessment, supported by the applicant's Individual Education Plan will be provided.

- Individual Education Plans for TDSB applicants will be accessed internally.
- Non-TDSB applicants must bring hard copies of their Individual Education Plan to the in-person session.

Contact CentralPrograms@tdsb.on.ca with any questions related to accommodations.

Learning-Related Accommodations for Multilingual Learners

Applicants for whom English is not their first language, where the applicant has been in Canada for less than 5 years, can request learning related accommodations on the in-person demonstration of knowledge and skills in the application.

Appropriate accommodations relevant to the format of the assessment, that are being provided by the current school and that are consistent with EQAO accommodations, will be provided.

This may include the use of a translating dictionary (not electronic) and extra time.

Contact CentralPrograms@tdsb.on.ca with any questions related to accommodations.

Report Cards Marks for International Baccalaureate Programs:

Average of Language, Math, Science, French (one mark determined by averaging the four individual French strands), Geography and History.

PowerSchool will calculate a “Grade” for each applicant based on the June Report 2 achievement data.

Should there be no Report 2 mark, the Report 1 mark will be used for that subject.

This average will make up 30% of the applicant score.

Demonstration of Knowledge and Skills for International Baccalaureate Programs:

Tuesday, December 16, 2025

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

At your Primary Choice International Baccalaureate program school

60-minute in-person evaluation and written response

- Format will be multiple choice (30 min) and one opinion-based written question (30 min).
- Multiple Choice will assess skill in mathematical reasoning and problem solving, and French Language proficiency.
- The demonstration of skills and knowledge assess content learning from the grade 7 curriculum expectations and will focus on problem-solving and thinking skills.
- Written question will be assessed by rubric.

Resources:

Further details about the demonstration of knowledge and skills can be found on the [Academic Achievement and Demonstration of Knowledge and Skills](#) website.

Information about what to bring to your in-person assessment will be provided upon submission of your application.

Acceptances: Timelines

The placement process will occur centrally and all communication will come from the Central Program Admissions Office. Please do not contact schools directly for selection results.

- **February 11, 2026** - Acceptances and waitlist status will be sent centrally, via email to all applicants. **Offers expire February 17, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.**
 - This is the same date that seating through Out-of-Area Admissions will also be sent.
- **Offers will be made on February 18 and February 25, 2026 where seats are available. Central Waitlists will expire after this date.**

International Baccalaureate Diploma Program



The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program is a demanding two-year course of study designed for highly motivated secondary school students. The IB Diploma Programme is designed as an academically challenging and balanced programme of education with **externally set, standardized final examinations supplied and assessed by the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO)**. The program provides an internationally accepted qualification for entry into higher education and is recognised by many universities worldwide.

The International Baccalaureate program is developed independently of government and national systems, and incorporates quality practice from research and the global community of schools. The program:

- encourages students of all ages to think critically and challenge assumptions;
- encourages students of all ages to consider both local and global contexts; and
- develops multilingual students.

Students in the IB Diploma Program complete rigorous academic courses that, in many cases, go well beyond the regular secondary school curriculum. Additionally, students are expected to engage in extracurricular activities and to be active members of their local and greater communities.

IB Diploma Course Requirements

In the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program, students study 3 subjects at the Higher Level (HL) and 3 subjects at the Standard Level (SL). Students are expected to take one course from each of the 6 subject groups:

- Group 1 - Studies in language and literature
- Group 2 - Language acquisition* (there are no language exemptions)
- Group 3 - Individuals and societies
- Group 4 - Sciences
- Group 5 - Mathematics
- Group 6 - The Arts (Students may take an additional Group 2, 3 or 4 course, instead of a course in the arts.)

Specific course offerings at all five sites are listed on the Central Website.

International Baccalaureate Program Fees

The IB Diploma Program exceeds the curriculum and program requirements of the Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

The program comes at a cost of \$3,300/student over the course of 4 years.

The cost is subject to change as the program is cost-recovery.

Students in the International Baccalaureate program will be expected to pay fees to cover the cost of the program.

International Baccalaureate Program Fees

Grade 8 applicants seated for Grade 9 in September 2026 will be required to submit payment of \$550 in order to confirm and hold their seat at the time of placement, starting in February 2026.

Fees paid each year are non-refundable.

Current Costs

Grade 10 \$550

Grade 11 \$1100

Grade 12 \$1100

IB Program Fee Subsidies

Subsidies will be available for applicants with a gross household family income of less than \$50,000, ensuring that no student is left behind due to financial constraints.

2024 Canada Revenue Notice of Assessments and/or tax returns for the household will be required when requesting a subsidy.

International Baccalaureate Learner Profile



IB learner profile

The aim of all IB programmes is to develop internationally minded people who, recognizing their common humanity and shared guardianship of the planet, help to create a better and more peaceful world.

As IB learners we strive to be:

<p>INQUIRERS We nurture our curiosity, developing skills for inquiry and research. We know how to learn independently and with others. We learn with enthusiasm and sustain our love of learning throughout life.</p>	<p>OPEN-MINDED We critically appreciate our own cultures and personal histories, as well as the values and traditions of others. We seek and evaluate a range of points of view, and we are willing to grow from the experience.</p>
<p>KNOWLEDGEABLE We develop and use conceptual understanding, exploring knowledge across a range of disciplines. We engage with issues and ideas that have local and global significance.</p>	<p>CARING We show empathy, compassion and respect. We have a commitment to service, and we act to make a positive difference in the lives of others and in the world around us.</p>
<p>THINKERS We use critical and creative thinking skills to analyse and take responsible action on complex problems. We exercise initiative in making reasoned, ethical decisions.</p>	<p>RISK-TAKERS We approach uncertainty with forethought and determination; we work independently and cooperatively to explore new ideas and innovative strategies. We are resourceful and resilient in the face of challenges and change.</p>
<p>COMMUNICATORS We express ourselves confidently and creatively in more than one language and in many ways. We collaborate effectively, listening carefully to the perspectives of other individuals and groups.</p>	<p>BALANCED We understand the importance of balancing different aspects of our lives—intellectual, physical, and emotional—to achieve well-being for ourselves and others. We recognize our interdependence with other people and with the world in which we live.</p>
<p>PRINCIPLED We act with integrity and honesty, with a strong sense of fairness and justice, and with respect for the dignity and rights of people everywhere. We take responsibility for our actions and their consequences.</p>	<p>REFLECTIVE We thoughtfully consider the world and our own ideas and experience. We work to understand our strengths and weaknesses in order to support our learning and personal development.</p>

The IB learner profile represents 10 attributes valued by IB World Schools. We believe these attributes, and others like them, can help individuals and groups become responsible members of local, national and global communities.

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.