

Sir William Osler High School **Soaring Eagle Update**

7 February 2025

Dear Osler Community,

Semester 2 is well and truly underway and we are proud of how our students are making the transitions to new routines!

Next week, we have Red and White Day on Thursday, February 13th, as well as our Valentine's Dance during Period 4. Friday, February 14th is a boardwide PA Day and there will be no classes for students. Monday, February 17th is the Family Day statutory holiday and so school will be closed.

We hope to see parents at our School Council meeting on Wednesday, February 12th at 7pm. The meeting will be virtual and the link will be sent out closer to Wednesday. We also have several School Council events coming up soon – please see the next page for details.

We wish you a great weekend!

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Feb 10	Feb 11	Feb 12	Feb 13	Feb 14	
	Best Buddies Trip	School Council Meeting 7pm	Red & White Day Valentine's Dance	PA Day (No Classes)	
Feb 17	Feb 18	Feb 19	Feb 20	Feb 21	
Family Day Holiday (no school)		Swim Program	Tier 1 Boys Basketball		
Thursday, February 27 th : Carnival Capers		Wednesday, March 5 th : Special Olympics Bocce			
Friday, Friday 28 th : Lieutenant Governor Games		Monday, March 10 th to	Monday, March 10 th to Friday, March 14 th : March Break (no classes)		

The Soaring Eagle Updates are all archived on our Osler school site: https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/sirwilliamosler

School Council Meeting

Our next School Council Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, February 12th at 7:00pm.** All parents and guardians are welcome. Hear about the plans at Sir William Osler and have your say about how the year will look.

The meeting will be held virtually. The link will be sent by email to parents.

Information about the school council can be found at:

https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/sirwilliamosler/School-Council

Upcoming School Council Events

Please see the attached flyer regarding upcoming events organized by Osler's School Council. All parents/caregivers/guardians are welcome to attend.

School Council Event: Empowering Parents Through AI & Assistive Technology

The Osler School Council is hosting a 2-session event on how AI can be harnessed by families to support students with disabilities. The workshop is on-line with a limited in-person option hosted at Osler. Participants need to register with the link on the attached flyer, which includes additional details on the event. The link to the workshop will be emailed to registrants.

Professional Activity Day

Friday, February 14th is a board wide Professional Activity (PA) day for all Secondary and Elementary TDSB Schools. There will be no classes on the PA Day.

Statutory Holiday (Family Day)

Monday, February 17h is a statutory holiday for Family Day. There will be no classes held.

TDSB Virtual Community Fair For Parents/Caregivers of Children, Youth and Young Adults with Special or Complex Needs

Topic: Let's Talk about Transition to Adulthood

Adulthood Transition Planning can be very challenging for Parents/Caregivers of Young Adults with Special/Complex Needs. Please Join Us as We invite Lead Adult Transition Agencies as they share some Crucial Steps in this Planning Process. Help set up your Young Adult for Success as he transitions from TDSB. This is Part 1 of a 2 Part series where Part 1 will focus on Funding requirements and Part 2 will focus on Community Agencies sharing about their Recreational, Social, Life Skills or Employment Programs.

Speakers: Ontario Disability Support Program, Developmental Services Ontario, and Passport Funding Program.

When: Monday, February 10th, 2024, from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon and the same information will be repeated on Monday, February 26th, 2024, from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 255 846 447 429

Passcode: 3BWFVF

Download Teams | Join on the web

For more information send email to virtualfairinfo@tdsb.on.ca

Or call Larena Case at 416-570-3314 or Maria Antonia Aymerich at 416-524-1930 or Vanessa Wong at 647-229-0730.

Special Education and Inclusion Transitions Supports Website for Educators and Families

We are pleased to share a new <u>Transitions Supports website</u> with information and resources to assist students, families, and educators in navigating transitions for entry to school, from grade to grade, from elementary to secondary, and from secondary to post-secondary (and post-21) pathways.

Individual Education Plan & Safety Plan

Individual Education Plan (IEP) and Safety Plans (if applicable) are exceptionally important documents that help guide the programming for each student. The development of the IEP for Semester 2 occurs over the next several weeks. The IEP is also reviewed at each report card cycle in April and June.

Parents & Guardians have an essential role to play in the development of the IEP. Your child's teacher will be reaching out to you to discuss the development of the IEP. In addition, please feel free to connect with your child's teacher as well. Teachers' email address can be found at:

https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/sirwilliamosler/About-Us/Staff-Information

Further information can also be found in the TDSB Special Education Parent Guides:

https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Learning-Equity-and-Well-Being/Special-Education-and-Inclusion/Parent-Guides-to-Special-Education-and-Inclusion

Special Education and Inclusion February Newsletter for Parents/Guardians/Caregivers

The Special Education and Inclusion Department is pleased to share the <u>February Newsletter for</u> Parents/Guardians/Caregivers that highlights some relevant resources and information for families.

Upcoming Parent/Guardian/Caregiver Engagement Session: Navigating Transitions

The following are the dates for the upcoming parent/caregiver/guardian session being offered by the Special Education and Inclusion Department. These repeat sessions will focus on the support and services available for students with special needs and disabilities, both within the TDSB and through external organizations.

Date: Wednesday, March 5th - Day (AM)

Time: 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Date: Thursday, March 6th - Evening (PM)

Time: 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Please see this <u>flyer</u> for registration information.

School Safety

The safety of all students and staff at Sir William Osler H.S. is our primary concern. Our community respects all of our students, their privacy and their vulnerabilities. To ensure our school community remains safe for all, we would like to remind families that students are to be dropped off or picked up in the office, where they will be escorted to class by a staff member. During school hours, we ask that Parents/Guardians/Caregivers do not go through the school halls, unless accompanied by a staff member. Thank you for your understanding regarding this important school safety matter.

As some of our students are not aware of dangers around traffic, we also would like to remind our community that the speed limit in the school parking lots is 10 km/h.

Together we can keep our students safe.



Sunflower Developmental Services

Please find below some opportunities from Sunflower Developmental Services. Please note that this service is operated by organization(s) outside of the TDSB. These organizations are solely responsible for the operation and information found on their sites. In providing these resources, it does not imply any endorsement of the organization or information. Any comments or inquiries regarding the linked websites should be directed to the organization.



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Ongoing Health and Safety Information

COVID Self Screening

The Toronto Public Health COVID Screening tool <u>can be found here</u>. Students are reminded to self-screen for symptoms and stay home if they feel ill. We are following Provincial and Public Health guidance. If students are absent, they should contact their teacher to find out about missed work.

COVID-19 Health and Safety Measures and Practices

Over the past 3+ years, TDSB staff and students have been diligent in following the health and safety directions provided by the Ministry of Education and Toronto Public Health to manage COVID-19 and keep our schools and sites as safe as possible. We continue to follow the Ministry of Education guidance for this new school year. We continue to take our health and safety direction from the Ministry and Toronto Public Health, and it is important to note that this is the current information and can change based on a change of guidance.

Screening – Students and staff should continue to do a daily self-assessment before entering school or Board buildings and stay home if they are sick.

Masks – The TDSB continues to be a mask-friendly environment inclusive of all staff and students. While the Ministry of Education and public health officials are not mandating the use of masks, Toronto Public Health strongly recommends wearing a well-fitting, high-quality mask, especially in indoor public settings. The TDSB will continue to provide medical masks for staff and students who request them.

Vaccines – The TDSB will continue to work closely with Toronto Public Health to support their vaccination efforts for COVID-19 and other illnesses. School-based clinics may continue to operate to support local communities and we will share any information with our community about possible clinics at Osler.

Cohorting – Cohorting classes is no longer required for health and safety reasons.

Ventilation – More than 16,000 institutional-grade HEPA filters are in the TDSB with at least one in every occupied classroom. Caretakers will continue to increase ventilation in schools and classrooms with mechanical systems by adjusting the air exchanges and running them before and after class as well as increase natural ventilation by opening windows for short periods of time.

Enhanced Cleaning – Caretaking staff will continue to perform routine cleaning of general facilities throughout the day and enhanced cleaning of high touch surfaces such as light switches, handrails, door handles, etc.