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Sir William Osler High School Soaring Eagle Update

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Dear Osler Community,

Welcome to 2024! We hope that you and your family were able to enjoy the holiday season and spend time with family and friends. We are very excited to welcome our students back to school!

Please note that Monday, January 15th is a 1pm Dismissal, for our monthly staff meeting/PLC. Also note that our weekly swim program is not running in January and February and will start up again in March.

We will soon be holding our IPRC Level 1 meetings, and we look forward to meeting with many members of our Osler parent/caregiver community during this process. If you are involved in a Level 1 IPRC this year for your child, please see the next page for some helpful information about the process and what to expect.

We wish you a great weekend – please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Jennifer Rochon

Vice-Principal Principal Monday **Tuesday** Wednesday **Thursday Friday** Jan 15 Jan 16 Jan 17 Jan 18 Jan 19 Student of the 1pm Dismissal (Staff **IPRC Level 2 Meetings** Meeting/PLC) Month Jan 22 Jan 23 Jan 24 Jan 25 Jan 26 **IPRC Level 1 Meetings** Friday, February 2nd: First day of Semester 2/Quad 3 Wednesday, January 31st: Last day of Semester 1 Thursday, February 1st: PA Day (no classes) Monday, February 5th: 1pm Dismissal (Staff Meeting/PLC)

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IPRC Meetings: What to Expect

We are currently conducting our IPRC Annual Reviews. You may have been contacted regarding a review for your child.

An IPRC meeting is held annually for each student with special needs to determine if the support as originally outlined is still needed. Parents can also request a review any time after a student has been in a special education program for three months.

What does a Review IPRC consider and decide?

The IPRC conducting the review will consider the same kinds of information that were originally considered by the previous IPRC. It will also consider the progress your child has made in the special education program. The IPRC will review the placement and identification decisions and decide whether they should be continued or whether a different decision should now be made.

Where will the meeting take place?

IPRC meetings are held virtually or in person at a TDSB school site.

Who attends the IPRC meeting?

An IPRC must have at least three people, one of whom must be a Principal or Board Supervisory Officer. Other members of the committee may include:

- Parents/guardians/caregivers and student (students are welcome to attend as appropriate and students 16 or over are entitled to attend and participate in discussions);
- Principal/Supervisory Officer of the child's school;
- The teacher(s) who know the student best, other resource people such as special education staff, Board support staff, or an agency representative who may provide further information or clarification;
- Additional resource people if needed, arranged by the school principal or parents (e.g., Special Education and/or Professional Support Services staff such as a special education coordinator or a psychologist);
- An interpreter (when needed);
- An advocate, if invited by the parents, to provide support or speak on their behalf.

During the IPRC Meeting

The Chair of the IPRC will start the meeting by welcoming parents and introducing the committee members. Parents will then have the opportunity to introduce themselves and their guests. The IPRC Chair will outline the purpose of the meeting.

The committee will:

- review all relevant information about the student;
- consider an educational assessment of your child;
- consider a health or psychological assessment of your child, if required;
- consider any information you or your child (if over 16) submit; and
- discuss your child's strengths and needs.

Statement of Decision

A Statement of Decision will be completed at each IPRC meeting. The IPRC's written Statement of Decision will include:

- your child's strengths and needs;
- the categories and definitions of any exceptionalities identified;
- the IPRC's description of the student's strengths and needs;
- the IPRC's placement decision;
- the IPRC's recommendations regarding a special education program and special education services;
 and

• if the IPRC has decided that the student should be placed in a special education class, the reasons for that decision.

Parents will be asked to sign the IPRC Statement of Decision, indicating agreement with the identification and placement decisions made by the IPRC. The Statement of Decision may be signed at the IPRC meeting, or taken home for further consideration and then returned to the child's school principal.

For more information regarding special education processes and policies, visit:

Special Education Information for Parents/Caregivers/Guardians

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TDSB Virtual Community Fair: Let's Talk about Camp and Funding

Camping Season Will Be Here Soon!! Come Join Us as We Learn from Our Community Partners About Camp and Funding Options for Your Child Or Youth With Special/Complex Needs. Get Firsthand Information from Agency Representatives about March Break Camps, Summer Camps, Respite and Funding Options. Start Your Planning Early! (See Flyer Here)

Speakers: Geneva Centre for Autism, Community Living Toronto, Surrey Place, Toronto Parks & Recreation, Variety Village and Ontario Camp Association.

When: Monday, January 15th, 2024, from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon

Repeated on Monday, January 22nd, 2024, from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

Click here to join the meeting

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