



School Bus Transportation Update

At a special meeting of the Board last week the Board of Trustees revised an earlier decision on changing the transportation policy. The change to the 1.6km distance will no longer be effective for this September. It will now come into effect for September 2020. That means that anyone receiving transportation currently due to distance (in BusPlanner their travel code is 'dist') will continue to receive transportation. A letter has been mailed out to notify impacted families of this change.

Note that the change to how courtesy seats are distributed was not changed and those previously walking to an existing bus stop for a courtesy seat will now have to apply and wait until we can confirm space is available. There may be changes to bus runs so please check your child's school via BusPlanner and the public transportation portal in mid August. <https://www.torontoschoolbus.org/>

Opportunities for Students

Toronto Public Library Newsletter for Teens

Library News and Info for Teens

Summer Programs: The library offers hands-on programs for those looking to get creative, from hip hop music production, acting, cooking, painting, magic and cartooning, in addition to our series of writing and art workshops. Learn tech on a variety of topics including 3D printing, game design, robotics, digital media design and more. They are also offering workshops covering job search basics, leadership and mental health.

Please below here for upcoming programs:

[July 4, 2019 TPL Teens Newsletter](#)

Schizophrenia Society of Ontario 2019 Scholarship Opportunities

The Schizophrenia Society of Ontario (SSO) is now accepting applications for our scholarship program - now in its 16th year. It is one of Canada's only bursary programs dedicated to funding educational opportunities for people affected by schizophrenia or psychosis.

SSO offers the following scholarships each year to eligible applicants:

- **Schizophrenia Society of Ontario Scholarship:** For individuals living with schizophrenia or psychosis. Funded by individual designated donations.
- **Say Yes to Me Scholarship:** For individuals living with schizophrenia. Funded by Otsuka-Lundbeck.
- **Klara Boadway Memorial Scholarship:** For young women living with schizophrenia or psychosis who are pursuing an education in the health, social sciences or social services fields. Funded by Richard Boadway in memory of his daughter, Klara.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Have a diagnosis of schizophrenia or psychosis
- Be involved in a recovery plan
- Intend to pursue their studies within the 2019/2020 school year

Applications are available on [SSO's website](#). You may submit your completed application by mail, email or fax on or before the posted due date. The deadline for the 2019/2020 scholarship applications is **August 6, 2019**.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact: Kayla Nicholls

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Volunteers Needed

Good Shepherd seeks volunteers August 2nd, 3rd, 17th 10:30 to 1 pm to fresh linens on emergency beds. Ages 13-15 must be accompanied by an adult. Lunch is provided. Email Rebecca@goodshepherd.ca for information.

Reminders for Parents

Summer Learning

Remember to check out Summer Playground and My Summer, My City each week throughout the summer for learning resources and activities focusing on literacy and numeracy. New material is added at the start of each week. <https://www.tcdsb.org/forparents/summerplayground/pages/default.aspx>

Free Eye Exams, Eye Glasses

Toronto Public Health reminds parents that the EyeSeeEyeLearn program provides free eye glasses to students entering Junior Kindergarten if needed. Take your child to an optometrist for a free eye exam to qualify. <http://ow.ly/gGzO50uVBVS>

Community Environment Days

City of Toronto is holding environment days at various locations throughout the city until the end of September. Pick up free compost and dispose of unwanted items including electronics. Check here for details: <https://www.toronto.ca/services-payments/recycling-organics-garbage/community-environment-days/>

Totus Tuus Summer Camp

Archdiocese of Toronto has several parishes around the GTA offering the summer camp program in July and August. Contact participating parishes for details: (link: <http://www.totustuutoronto.ca/camp-locations>)

Good News

Congratulations to our 2018-2019 Top Scholars

Toronto Catholic District School Board congratulated this year's top scholars who have earned coveted grades in a variety of subject areas. These top students far exceeded provincial education standards. Core learning in the areas of science, mathematics, technology and the arts built a foundation of skills for their postsecondary studies where they will prepare for success in their future careers in law, medicine and

engineering. Outside the classroom, these talented individuals used their voice and influence to positively change their school environments and become more actively involved in their communities.

TCDSB 2018-19 Top Scholars

Adam McMahon, Bishop Allen Academy

100 percent average in the Advanced Placement Program in Calculus and Vectors, Advanced Functions, Biology, Psychology, Core French and Chemistry

Kevin Vytlingam, Father John Redmond Catholic Secondary School and Regional Arts Centre

100 percent average in Calculus and Vectors, Advanced Functions, Religion, Biology, Chemistry and Physics

Top Scholar for the former City of North York

Christopher Dugal, Chaminade College School

99.83 percent average in French, Religion, Calculus and Vectors, Biology, Physics and Chemistry

Top Scholar for Toronto

Ling Jin, St. Joseph's College School

99.5 percent average in Financial Accounting and the Advanced Placement Program in Calculus and Vectors, Mathematics of Data Management, Advanced Functions, Chemistry, and Physics

Top Scholars for the former City of Scarborough

Rachel Lachmansingh, St. Mother Teresa Catholic Academy

99.17 percent average

Sarah Lachmansingh, St. Mother Teresa Catholic Academy

99.17 percent average

Aingaran Mohan, St. Mother Teresa Catholic Academy

98.33 percent average

Kaliyah Macaraig, St. Mother Teresa Catholic Academy

98.33 percent average

Top Scholar for the former City of York

Jarred Laganas, St. Oscar Romero Catholic Secondary School

94.00 percent average

For more information, see [backgrounder](#).

Important Dates to Remember

Steubenville Toronto July 12-14

<https://www.tcdsb.org/board/nurturingourcatholiccommunity/news/2018-2019/pages/steubenville.aspx>

eClass Session 2 begins July 16

<https://www.tcdsb.org/programsservices/continuingeducation/pages/default.aspx>

Summer School

- Summer School Exams July 24
- Exam Review Day July 25
- Report Card Pick up July 26 9 a.m. to 12 noon

Please speak with your teacher prior to exams in the event of any concerns with either the exam

<https://www.tcdsb.org/programsservices/continuingeducation/pages/default.aspx>

Follow @TCDSB on Twitter to get the latest news throughout the summer.

Or visit <http://www.tcdsb.org>

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