



International Languages Survey

Survey going home with report cards this week. Parents are encouraged to complete and return the survey. Translations of the survey questions are on our website for those whose first language is not English.

<https://www.tcdsb.org/ProgramsServices/SchoolProgramsK12/InternationalLanguages/International-Language-Survey/Pages/default.aspx>

TCDSB MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Application for Parent/ Community Member

The TCDSB Mental Health Advisory Council is seeking applications for Parent Members and Community Members. As members of the Catholic community, the TCDSB Mental Health Advisory Committee is committed to the well-being and mental health of all staff and students.

The Terms of Reference for the TCDSB Mental Health Advisory Council include:

- a. To provide advice to the Board about mental health strategies and initiatives. The various employee and stakeholder group representatives can bring forth information related to mental health for consideration.
- b. To consult with different stakeholders to assist TCDSB develop and implement strategies and initiatives to meet Ministry requirements in support of Provincial Student Mental Health.
- c. To provide input and advice on Ministry of Education policy and strategies, as well as TCDSB guidelines and strategies pertaining to student mental health. The advisory council also reviews metrics for monitoring board guidelines and strategies.

The Mental Health Council meets four times per school year. Meetings are generally held from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. The composition of the Council includes representatives from parents, students, teachers, support staff, principals and vice principals, community members and trustees. Representatives serve on the council for one school year.

Please follow the link to access the application. Please send your inquiries or submissions to communityrep@tcdsb.org.

The deadline for applications is Friday, November 30, 2018.

To apply for any available opportunities for parents to serve on committees, download and print the application, complete and submit to the principal at your local school:

[Parent/Community Member Application Form](#)

Indigenous Education Engagement and Information Evening

Wednesday, November 28, 2018 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

TCDSB Catholic Education Centre atrium (2nd floor)

80 Sheppard Ave. East

The TCDSB's Equity, Diversity and Indigenous Education Department invites all Indigenous students and their families to attend the First Indigenous Education Engagement and Information Evening.

This night will be a wonderful opportunity to meet Board senior staff, Indigenous community members, and agencies that support Indigenous student success and well being. Dinner will be provided compliments of the Equity, Diversity and Indigenous Education Department. The schedule for the evening includes information tables, presentations and performances. For questions or further information, please contact Frank Pio frank.pio@tcdsb.org or Vanessa Pinto vanessa.pinto@tcdsb.org.

TCDSB in the Enbridge Energy Challenge

The TCDSB has enrolled in the Enbridge Energy Challenge, and encourages schools to sign up at www.energyschoolchallenge.com. Students compete against other participating schools earning points through participation in fun and engaging activities focused on energy efficiency, including: creating a green team, writing a short story, making recycled art, and more. Enbridge will make a financial contribution to three elementary schools and three high schools that have achieved the most Challenge Points.

Events

Elementary Basketball City Championships

Boys Finals November 29

Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre

875 Morningside Ave, Scarborough

9:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Girls Finals November 30

Centennial College

941 Progress Avenue, Scarborough

9:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

More athletics information:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/programsservices/schoolprogramsk12/healthoutdoorphised/tdcaa/pages/tcdsb-athletics.aspx>

Free Concert—St. Michael's Choir School's Free Concert

St Michaels' Cathedral Basilica

November 30th

<https://www.tcdsb.org/schools/stmichaelchoir/news/2018-2019/pages/free-concert-nov30.aspx>

C.C.A.A. Presents The Nutcracker

Friday November 30th at 7.00pm

Saturday December 1st at 7.00pm

Sunday December 2nd at 2:00pm

Tickets are available via email request:

CardinalCarterAcademy.Info@tcdsb.org

\$25 Adults & \$20 Students/Seniors

Please select image to download [The Nutcracker flyer](#).

National Conference on Evangelization and Catechesis

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, through the Episcopal Commission for Evangelization and Catechesis, is hosting the 2019 **National Conference on Evangelization and Catechesis** on 4-6 April 2019, at the Hilton Garden Inn Hotel - Ottawa Airport. The theme of the conference, *He Thirsts for You*, is inspired by John 4: 4-26 – The Woman at the Well.

Highlights of the Conference include an opening play, *He Thirsts for You*, written and performed by Catholic playwright Elisa Lollino, as well as the following keynote speakers: the **Most Reverend William McGrattan, Father Ron Rolheiser, O.M.I., and Dr. Josephine Lombardi**. Additionally, each participant will have the opportunity to choose four workshops on a variety of topics related to evangelization and catechesis. **Simultaneous interpretation from English to French will be available during all keynote speeches.**

For more information, please consult the [conference flyer](#) and the [workshop descriptions](#). To register, you can download the [registration form](#) and mail it in. For those who would prefer to register **online**, we have also prepared a link to [EventBrite](#) which allows for payment by credit card.

Christmas Street Patrol

December 23, 6:30 pm

St. Patrick's Church is hosting. They are collecting donations of socks, gloves, scarves, hats, underwear etc plus small gift items such as toiletries, sweets and freshfruit.

<https://stpatriksto.archtoronto.org/Ministries/street-patrol>

Opportunities for Students

Beaverbrook Vimy Prize

The Vimy Foundation's premiere educational program, the Beaverbrook Vimy Prize, is a prestigious two-week-long learning experience during which exceptional youth, 15-17 years of age, study the interwoven First and Second World War history of Canada, Great Britain, and France.

Scheduled for **August 2019** in Belgium and France, students will attend lectures, visit former battlefields, trenches and underground tunnels, as well as visit museums and cemeteries, and explore monuments such as the Canadian National Vimy Memorial. Canadian, British, and French prize recipients will also participate in commemorative ceremonies and meet a few of the remaining veterans and members of the French Resistance.

[Click here to apply for the 2019 Beaverbrook Vimy Prize!](#)

Career in Policing

Information Night November 14, 6-8 p.m. at Jamaican Canadian Association, 995 Arrow Road Toronto

Careers with Canadian Border Services

Student jobs available

Get all the details here: https://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/job-emploi/student-etudiant/sbso-aesf-eng.html?utm_source=website&utm_medium=sm&utm_campaign=sbso_natl_2018

Community Living: Together We're Better Contest

Classes and individual elementary students ages 4 – 14 are invited to send a video, story or poem that shows “Together we're better” because students who have an intellectual/developmental disability are included. Deadline for submissions is **Monday, January 28, 2019**. [Click here for more information.](#)

This Week's Meetings:

- November 13th Corporate Services Committee
<https://tcdsbpublishing.escribemeetings.com/Meeting?Id=ae06d4f2-7cc1-4ff4-96a1-c104cbfec747&Agenda=Agenda>
- November 14th SEAC <https://tcdsbpublishing.escribemeetings.com/Meeting?Id=bc65651d-22d1-4bce-a1ef-6d1e10e5c4fd&Agenda=Agenda>
- November 15th Board <https://tcdsbpublishing.escribemeetings.com/Meeting?Id=ca21fc00-8562-4315-b1be-0e1989d54fb4&Agenda=Agenda>

Important Reminders This Week

- Wednesday, November 14th is Take Our Kids to Work Day
- Friday, November 16th is a system-wide PA Day

*Find all the latest events and news on our website at www.tcdsb.org
Never miss out on news and information. Follow @TCDSB on Twitter*

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