



Gifted Program Information Evening

The Toronto Catholic District School Board offers Full Time/Congregated Elementary Gifted Programs for students in Grades 6 to 8 who have an exceptional ability of Giftedness. These programs are integrated into the regular school community. Important aspects of the program are curriculum extensions in depth, breadth and pace, daily continuity of programming, collaboration with like-minded peers and leadership opportunities.

A Parent Information evening will be held for parents/guardians interested in exploring a full time elementary Gifted Program for their child with the exceptional ability of Giftedness will be held November 22nd, 7 pm at St. Edward School, 1 Botham Rd.

Municipal Election

October 22, 2018

Make sure you are registered as a Catholic school supporter so you can be eligible to vote for a Catholic School Trustee.

Remember to check the new ward boundaries.

<https://www.tcdsb.org/board/trusteesoftheboard/pages/municipal-elections.aspx>

Consultation: Education in Ontario

The Government of Ontario invites everyone – parents, students, educators and interested individuals or organizations – to provide feedback on the education system in Ontario.

The goal is to prepare Ontario students for success, improve their academic achievement and equip them with the tools needed to enter the working world.

Consultation closing date: December 15, 2018

There are three ways for people to participate:

- An online submission form, available now, that allows people, organizations or groups to provide their views on any of the consultation topics. Submissions can also be sent to the ministry by emailing fortheparents@ontario.ca or auservicedesparents@ontario.ca.
- An online survey that will be available soon in English and French, with questions that relate to the key themes below.
- Telephone town halls across Ontario, with separate town halls in English and French. The telephone town hall discussions will be aligned with the themes discussed in the survey. The dates and times of these town halls will be posted on fortheparents.ca as they become available.

The consultations are intended to focus on the following topics:

- How to improve student performance in the disciplines of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM);
- How our schools are preparing students with needed job skills;
- What more can be done to ensure students graduate with important life skills, like financial literacy;
- How to build an updated and age-appropriate Health and Physical Education curriculum that includes subjects like sexual health education, mental health and the legalization of cannabis;

- What measures can be taken to improve standardized testing;
- What steps schools should take regarding the use of technology in classrooms, such as the use of cell phones; and
- What elements would participants like to see included in the Ministry of Education Parents' Bill of Rights.

For up-to-date information on all of the ways people can participate, please visit fortheparents.ca.

Deadline Fast Approaching

Registration for Night School closed October 12th

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

Applications for Indigenous Advisory Committee accepted until October 12th

<https://www.tcdsb.org/forparents/pages/current-openings--parent-membership-on-committees.aspx>

Upcoming Board Meetings

- Corporate Services Committee October 11, 2018 7PM
Agenda: <https://tcdsbpublishing.escribemeetings.com/Meeting?Id=92503c8f-bdc8-42ab-8c35-14d9286b83d4&Agenda=Agenda>
- Catholic Parent Involvement Committee October 15th
<https://www.tcdsb.org/Board/TrusteesoftheBoard/boardmeeting/CommitteeMeetingAgendas/181015-Agenda-Inaugural-and-Special-Draft.pdf>
- Special Education Advisory Committee October 17th
- Regular Board October 18th

Dates to Note:

- October 11—International Day of the Girl <https://www.tcdsb.org/pages/international-day-of-the-girl.aspx>
- High School Open Houses Continue through to October 17th
<https://www.tcdsb.org/school/OpenHouses/Pages/Default.aspx>
- Waste Reduction Week starts October 15th
<https://www.tcdsb.org/school/OpenHouses/Pages/Default.aspx>
- CPIC Election for Members at Large October 15th, 7 pm at the Catholic Education Centre
- Early Childhood Educator and Childcare Worker Appreciation Day October 16
<https://www.tcdsb.org/pages/education-support-workers-appreciation-day.aspx>
- Elementary Cross-Country—regional meets October 16-18, City meet October 23
<https://www.tcdsb.org/ProgramsServices/SchoolProgramsK12/HealthOutdoorPhysEd/TDCAA/Pages/tcdsb-athletics.aspx>
- International Day to Eradicate Poverty October 17 <https://www.tcdsb.org/pages/international-day-for-eradication-of-poverty.aspx>
- Girls Field Hockey—October 17 Quarter Finals, October 22 Semi-Finals October 24 Finals
<https://www.tcdsb.org/ProgramsServices/SchoolProgramsK12/HealthOutdoorPhysEd/TDCAA/documents20182019/TDCAA-Schedule-Field-Hockey-2018.pdf>
- Annual Mass to End Woman Abuse October 18 <https://www.tcdsb.org/pages/mass-to-end-woman-abuse.aspx>

- CSPC and School Administrator Welcome Event October 20 <https://www.tcdsb.org/pages/mass-to-end-woman-abuse.aspx>
- St. John Paul II Day October 22
<https://www.tcdsb.org/board/nurturingourcatholiccommunity/pages/tcdsb-celebrates-st.-john-paul-ii-day.aspx>
- School Bus Safety Week October 22-26
<https://www.tcdsb.org/news/othernews/2019/pages/school-bus-safety-week.aspx>
- Go Purple Day—Raise awareness about Child Abuse—October 24
<https://www.tcdsb.org/news/othernews/2019/pages/child-abuse-prevention.aspx>

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