

IMPORTANT INFORMATION & DATES FOR SENIOR STUDENTS

Students and parents should note the dates indicated below. The Student Services Department will meet with all grade 12 students in September to discuss post secondary options and again in November to go over the application process for Ontario Colleges and Universities. General information and dates are on the school's website (see below). Co-op students are urged to check for notices about information sessions when at school. Senior students who have questions are urged to note them so they are not forgotten and to bring all questions to information and consultation sessions.

Early September: Distribution of University and College information. These important resources will be distributed in grade 12 Homeroom classes.

September 27 to September 29: University Fair- Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Plan to attend! (www.ouf.ca)

October 10 (6:30 p.m.): Blessed Cardinal Newman hosts our local College and University Fair for students and parents. Representatives of Ontario Universities and Colleges will be present. Senior students and parents should attend! Grade 11 & 12 students are encouraged to attend with their family.

October 23-24: College Fair-Enercare Centre, Exhibition Place. (www.ocif.ca)

November: Grade 12 classes will be given information on the application process for both College and University after which they may complete their on-line application independently. Pin's for University will be distributed. Student Services is available for support if required.

Note! Each student must research and select post-secondary options and programs to ensure that they have the appropriate academic background for programs of interest. **Fees and deadlines are the responsibility of the student.**

We encourage students and, if possible, their parents to visit the post-secondary institutions being considered. Many institutions have visitation dates and these are routinely posted on the Student Services bulletin board. Post-secondary education is an investment of time, energy and money. Preparation prevents disappointment. Websites are available in all college and university calendars, in Student Services as well as on-line at www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca and www.ontariocolleges.ca. College/University transfer options can be researched through www.ontransfer.ca.

Scholarships: Students should investigate all possibilities for scholarships by listening to announcements, checking bulletin boards and websites. Guidance Counsellors will be available to assist students in their search. While the school can nominate students for some scholarships (a limited number), students are encouraged to investigate others for which they may be eligible. (www.scholarshipscanada.com) (www.myblueprint/tcdsb.org) (www.schoolfinder.com) (www.tcdsb.org)

Entrance scholarships are usually awarded on the basis of academic merit and in most cases require no application. There are some scholarships for specific programs that require applications. We also suggest that parents inquire whether scholarships, bursaries, or awards are available through their employment, community organizations to which they belong, or through union membership. All possible sources should be investigated.

Community Service Hours: It is **imperative** for senior students who expect to graduate and/or be accepted to a college or university program to have the **40 hours of community service completed and submitted by April 30, 2020**. Without the community service, you will not graduate or be accepted to a college or university. Forms may be picked up at Student Services.