Bur Oak Secondary School

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Dear Grade 8 Student and Parent/Guardian:

Summer will soon be here and your entry to high school is on the horizon. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Bur Oak Secondary School. We are very excited to have you join our school and know that you will have a great school experience. There are countless activities, clubs and sport teams that you can choose to be involved in. Below, you will find a number of items to help you prepare for September.

Students can pay school fees on **School Cash Online**

- Visit https://yrdsb.schoolcashonline.com/ to create an account.
- Complete the payment of any applicable fees between June 28, 2017 August 30, 2017.
- School Cash Online is strongly encouraged and the preferred method of payment. If paying at school on Grade 9 Day, please note only a **CASH** payment can be accepted to pay for fees.

WHAT CAN BE PURCHASED ON SCHOOL CASH ONLINE?

Student Engagement Fee

\$40

Your support of the **Student Engagement Fee** is needed in order for us to continue to be able to provide a vast array of opportunities that respond to the diverse interests of our school community including **school wide events**, **assemblies**, **speakers and activities like those listed below.**

Why purchase a BOSS Student Activity Card?

Activity	Cost with Student Activity Card	Cost without Student Activity Card
BOSSilicious BBQ	\$3	\$10
Summer Carnival	\$3	\$10
Athletic Fee	\$20	\$40
School Dance	\$2	\$7
Intramurals	FREE	\$5

Grade 9 Orientation Day - September 5, 2017

September 5th is only for Grade 9 students. Upon arrival, students will pick up their Grade 9 Day Orientation Day t-shirt, timetable and be directed to the cafeteria for an assembly. Following the assembly, students will be escorted to classes by their teachers as well as participate in a number of orientation activities. All parents/guardians are invited to attend the assembly. A special orientation session for parents: "Introduction to High School 101 for Parents" will be held immediately following the assembly.

Students are required to wear their Bulldog t-shirt for Grade 9 Day. T-Shirts can be picked up in the atrium beginning at 8:15 a.m. on September 5th. Please bring a receipt if using the online payment registration.

Physical Education Uniform

All Physical and Health Education students are required to wear Bur Oaks' athletic attire when participating in Physical Education classes. This clothing is intended to be purchased once and used for your entire high school career.

Mandatory: \$32 (Two T-shirts and one pair of shorts)

Note: If you wish to replace the shorts with track pants, please speak to your Physical Education teacher

Optional: \$23 - Track Pants \$8.25 - T-Shirt \$15.50 - Shorts

LOCKS

Locks for individual lockers will be provided by the school. This lock is the only lock students may use. This lock is school property and must remain on the locker at the end of the school year.

PHOTO DAY

On September 6th, 2017 Edge Imaging photographers will be taking student pictures for student photo I.D. cards and photo packages for students in Grades 9-12. It is compulsory that all students have a Student Activity card with photo I.D.

SCHOOL COUNCIL:

Parent/guardians, would you like to get involved or just learn more about high school and how to support your child? Come out to the first meeting of the 2017-18 School Year being held on Monday, September 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the school Library. Come out and learn more!

OFFICE SUMMER HOURS:

Beginning the weeks of July 3, the school office will be open Monday to Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., excluding statutory holidays and the weeks of July 24 to August 10, 2017 inclusive. Please call ahead before visiting our office.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Date	Event	
June 28	Online payment of school fees opens - ONLINE PAYMENT	
August 31	Grade 9 students complete online payment of applicable school fees.	
August 31	Confirmation Emails sent to all students and parent/guardians - School Start Up Information, Locker Information, Semester 1 Timetable, and Course Change Procedures. Students should check their GAPPS email.	
September 5	First day of school for Grade 9's only (8:15 a.m. start).	
September 6	First day of school for Grade 10, 11 and 12 students.	

Excited? We are! A new school year is just around the corner brimming with opportunities for all.