



Dr. J. M. Denison Secondary School

Principal: Janet Atkinson

Vice-Principals: M. Godfrey, T. Stein

May 18, 2018



Upcoming Dates

May 21st – Victoria Day

May 28th – Music Night

June 7th – Athletic Banquet

June 8th – Dr. Denison Day

Music Department

SOUNDS OF SPRING CONCERT

Our annual spring concert will be held on Monday, May 28th at 7pm at Newmarket Theatre. This concert will feature the guitar class and the vocal class, Denison Singers, the grade 9 Concert Band, Jazz Band and the Dr. Denison Wind Ensemble. Our program includes popular songs by John Lennon, Van Morrison, Pentatonix and FUN, as well as music from Beauty and the Beast, James Bond and Mission: Impossible!

Reserved tickets for this concert are available through School Cash Online or from Mrs. Hamilton in the Music Department for \$10/adults and \$8/students and seniors. Don't miss out on this great evening of live entertainment!

Student Council

Save the Date

Our Annual Denison Day event will be held on June 8th. This will include a half day of fun and exciting rides and events. The school will also be treated with a barbeque lunch. All students are encouraged to remain at school and enjoy this wonderful event.

Elections

The Student Council Elections Campaign starts on May 18th and concludes on June 1st which will be the date of the speeches and the elections. Please see Ms Morgan or Mrs Young if there are any questions.

Armed Forces Co-op

If your son or daughter is interested in a 4 credit (all day) Co-op experience that is running in semester 2, February 2019, he or she must submit an online application on the FORCES.CA website.

If accepted into this programme, your child may be placed at Base Borden in Angus, Ontario or at the John Graves Simcoe Armoury in Aurora for the semester.

Once your child has submitted that application, he or she must make contact with their assigned recruiter at: 32cbgre Recruiting@forces.gc.ca **AND come to the Co-op Office, room 305, immediately.** (Your child's timetable may have to be altered).

There are many steps to being accepted into the very challenging, but rewarding programme. Students must be at least 16 years of age, be a Canadian citizen and have at least 15 high school credits.

Students will undergo a medical test, physical fitness test, and an aptitude test. Each applicant will be provided testing dates at their local Recruiting Detachment after they have submitted their application. These dates will be arranged between the student and the recruiter (not the Co-op teacher).

Students will be required to complete an Application Package (given out by the Co-op teacher in late June/early fall); they will also need to be in possession of an official high school transcript (not report card), photo ID, proof of Canadian citizenship (Canadian birth certificate or citizenship card). As well, some students may be asked to provide an "Over 16" card that can be obtained at Service Canada.

In need of more information? Please contact our school's recruiter: Sgt. Karistinos, 705-423-3238 or 705-220-3059 (email: andrea.karistinos@forces.gc.ca)

Grade 9 EQAO Math Assessment

Our Grade 9 students currently in Math classes will write the EQAO Math tests on June 12 & 13, 2018. The Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics measures how well students have met the expectations in the Grade 9 Mathematics curriculum for Applied and Academic courses. Student achievement in this assessment is reported using a four-level scale that is aligned with the scale used in The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 9 and 10: Mathematics and the Provincial Report Card, Grades 9-12, In the Ontario Curriculum. The results from this assessment provide baseline information that will assist in board and school improvement planning. Letters outlining test dates will be sent home on Friday, June 1st. The students' results on the test comprise 5% of the students' final mark in Math.

Guidance News

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• College Bound students that haven't applied yet, may still do so! MANY programs are still open for applications. Visit www.ontariocolleges.ca for details! |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• University bound students should expect a response from Ontario Universities by May 29th! Keep checking your accounts for offers. A reminder that all offers are CONDITIONAL upon receiving FINAL marks in July. Students must continue to work hard to ensure the required final average.• University students MUST respond by the June 1 deadline to reserve their spot for an offer. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Volunteer Opportunities:• <i>Walk for ALS</i>- June 3. Interested students contact Sarah McGuire at smcguire@als.ca• <i>Shine Through the Rain</i> is looking for outgoing volunteers for our Teddy Bear Fair on Saturday August 11th at Brooks Farms. We would like students to dress up as princess and superhero characters to interact with the children who attend our fair. We will provide the costumes, water and breaks for the students. Contact Cari Brunton Event Coordinator<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 289-378-6160 events@shinethroughtherain.ca http://www.shinethroughtherain.ca |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summer School registration is ongoing!• Day school registration is done through Career Cruising – some spots are filling up quickly! Courses start July 4-July 27. Reinforcement courses for failed courses must be approved by the school student success team and semester 2 students will be called at the end of semester for their status. Acceleration courses for a new course can be registered for immediately.• Online summer school registration is done on the YRDSB portal and clicking on the Programs and Services tab, followed by Summer School eLearning. Once registered for this type, students MUST come to Guidance in order for us to approve the course prerequisite. Registration will not happen unless a Guidance counsellor has done this. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grade 12 students who haven't completed community hours need to submit them to Guidance ASAP! |

Bike to School and Work Week - May 29 - June 2

Let's get rolling! Ride your Bike to School May 28 to June 1, 2018!

Riding your bike to school:

- is fun!
- gets you active!
- reduces traffic congestion!
- reduces your carbon footprint!

Use the following resources to plan a safe ride to school:

- [Properly fitted and activity-specific helmets](#)
- [Ontario Road Safety](#)
- [Bike Checklist: Is your bike in good condition?](#)
- [Online Bike Registration](#)
- [York Region Cycling Maps](#)
- [School Travel Planning Toolkit](#)

Register at [Bike To School Week](#) and join the celebration!

International Languages

Students can learn to read, write and speak a new language or maintain their heritage language through international language courses offered through York Region District School Board.

Secondary Program

- [Credit international language programs](#) are available for students in secondary school. A \$10.00 fee is collected in the third class.

Students who do not attend YRDSB schools are eligible and also welcome to register for these programs.

VALEDICTORIAN NOMINATION FORM

CLASS OF 2018

I WOULD LIKE TO NOMINATE: _____

Academic Standing (must have at least 80% average) _____

Extra Curricular Involvements (i.e. Sports, Clubs, Student Government)

This person would be a good representative of this Graduating class for the following reasons:

Nominators and Supporters

Name of Nominator: _____

Grade: _____ Homeroom: _____

Name and Signature of Teacher Supporting the Nomination:

Name Signature

Name and Signature of Student Supporting this Nomination:

Name Signature

Please hand in the completed nomination form to Ms. Timson, in the Main Office,
on or before 3:30 p.m. on Friday, May 25, 2018

Late nominations will not be accepted.