

Dr. J.M. Denison Secondary School

September 26 – 30, 2022

Timetable

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| Homeroom | 8:30 – 8:35 a.m. |
| 1 | 8:35 – 9:50 a.m. |
| 2 | 9:55 – 11:10 a.m. |
| LUNCH | 11:10 – 12:20 p.m. |
| 3 | 12:25 – 1:40 p.m. |
| 4 | 1:45 – 3:00 p.m. |

Student Council

The SPC card is available on www.SchoolCashOnline.com for \$12.00 plus tax. Students can get a 10-15% discount at most retail stores, restaurants, and more using their SPC card. Our first Spirit Week of the year begins on Monday, September 26th. The Spirit Days are;

Monday - Dark Academia
 Tuesday - Jersey Day Tuesday
 Wednesday - Husky Spirit Day
 Thursday – Crazy Shoe Day



On Friday September 30 is a day of National Truth and Reconciliation. We wear orange on this day, to honour the courage and resiliency of residential school survivors, along with their families and communities.

Razan Farraj
 Grade 12 Representative

Important Dates

Sept 28- Oct. 4: Safety Week
 Sept 26-27: Rosh Hashanah
 Sept. 29: Terry Fox Run
 Sept 30: Truth & Reconciliation Day
 Orange T-shirt Day
 Oct. 5: Yom Kippur
 Oct. 10: Thanksgiving Day
 Oct. 13: Post-Secondary Fair
 Oct. 24: Diwali
 Oct. 27: Teacher Interview Night

School Contact Information

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Vice-Principals

Elissa D'Souza
 Alexandra Wright
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Superintendent

Farooq Shabbar

Trustee Name

Elizabeth Terrell-Tracey
 Linda Gilbert

Visit the Denison Webpage

[Morning Announcements & Calendar](#)

Husky Athletics

The Denison Athletics Department is excited to announce that there are nine sport teams running this fall. Games start on Thursday, September 22, 2022. Check <http://www.yraa.com/src/> for schedules.

- Cross Country
- Boys Varsity Soccer
- Jr. Boys Volleyball
- Sr. Boys Volleyball
- Varsity Girls Basketball
- Girls Field Hockey
- Jr. Boys Rugby 7's
- Sr. Boys Rugby 7's
- Sr. Girls Rugby 7's <http://www.yraa.com/src/>



Denison Terry Fox Run



Our Terry Fox Run is happening Thursday September 29, 2022 after lunch. Students will have the option between walking or running around the track with their grade. Our goal as a school is \$1,500 and we are on our

way there with only a week left to fundraise!

How can I donate and get involved?

To raise money there are two options - online submissions through the Terry Fox website or cash/cheques that students can hand-in to their homeroom teachers.

School Terry Fox Page

Link: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/DrJMDenisonSSNewmarket>

Night School Credit Courses

2022-2023 Night School Credit Classes

Semester One – Fall 2022

October 6, 2022 to February 2, 2023

Semester Two – Winter 2023

February 16, 2023 to June 8, 2023

[Night School - Courses Offered](#)

School Calendar

Link to the school calendar for the 22-23 school year [School Calendar 2022 - 2023](#)

Attendance

Parent(s)/guardian(s) and students aged 18 and older and students who have declared their independence must report all absences, late arrivals and/or changes to departure plans to the school in a timely manner. Where possible, notify the school in advance by phone 905-836-0021 or by email dr.j.m.denison.ss@yrdsb.ca

Safety Week

Sept. 28 – Oct. 4

The York Region District School Board's priority is to provide and maintain safe and healthy environments for all students and staff. Each year safety week provides an opportunity to practice proper safety protocols and draw attention to our roles in providing a safe learning and working environment. This year Safety Week is scheduled from Monday, September 26th to 30th. During this week we will have three drills which include a fire drill, a hold & secure drill and a lock down drill.

Clubs

Science Club

Every Thursday from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Debate Club

Every Thursday at lunch

Fitness Club

Everyday 3:10 to 4:15 p.m.

Finance Club

Grade 11 and 12
Every Thursday at lunch

Guidance Notes

Grade 9 Classroom Visits

Guidance counsellors will visit period 1, grade 9 classes, next week to deliver a short information session on the role of Denison's Guidance department. During the classroom visits, students learn:

- Introduction to Guidance and Counsellor's
- Where the Guidance Office and Ms. Sullivan's Room are located
- How to make an appointment and access help
- The range of support services available, including academic, career and short-term personal counselling

Guidance counsellors will also review the requirements for an Ontario Secondary School diploma, including an overview of which activities are eligible for community involvement hours.

Grade 12 Class Visits

First Week of October – more information in next week's newsletter.

Post-secondary News

Ontario Universities' Fair (October 1 and 2)

Located at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre from 9:30 AM to 5 PM on October 1 and 2, [this event](#) allows you to gather information and talk with representatives from Ontario universities.

Newmarket: Post-Secondary Fair (October 13)

Newmarket High School will be hosting a [Post-Secondary Fair](#) on Thursday, October 13 from 6:30 - 8:30 PM. Come to learn more about post-secondary programs, training opportunities, and admissions information.

Ontario College Information Fair (October 19 and 20)

Located at the Enercare Centre, find out about the different career options and which college programs are best for you from October 19 and 20. For more information, please visit the Ontario College Fair [website](#).

**** Denison Field Trip Opportunity: on October 20, listen to the School Announcements and School Cash online notifications for details ****

Post-Secondary Resources

Important Dates for College Applications

Here are the [important dates and deadlines](#) coming for college applicants.

College Mondays

[College Mondays](#) are weekly online sessions designed to connect learners and parents directly with representatives from each college. The events, held on Zoom every Monday in November, feature brief presentations by Ontario colleges followed by breakout sessions designed to answer your questions.

Ontario Colleges App

Ontario college applications are right at your fingertips with [this new app](#).

Ontario Universities' Virtual Information Sessions

Join for any of the virtual [Information Sessions](#).

- October 11, 5-8 PM (ET)
- November 9, 5-8 PM (ET)
- December 1, 5-8 PM (ET)

Each event is divided into 6 timeslots, where students can learn about the universities of their choice and ask questions.

Grade 9 Math De-streamed Prerequisite Skills Tutorial Program

When: Wednesdays 11:35am - 12:20pm

What: Teacher led math help sessions to review prerequisite skills from grades 5-8 to narrow the gap for students currently enrolled in the grade 9 de-streamed math course. Grade 9 teachers will provide further details to their students.

Where: Room 228

This is in addition to the current math department student support model that runs before school, at lunch, and after school for extra help.



The graphic features a central hexagonal image of two women in a meeting. To the right, the text 'MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM' is displayed in large yellow letters. Below this, it says 'Presented by: York Regional Police'. Further down, a calendar icon is next to 'SEPTEMBER 27, 2022', a clock icon is next to '7:00PM-8:00PM', and a location pin icon is next to 'ZOOM'. At the bottom right is the 'NACCA est. 2018' logo.

Report It

Our schools should be safe, welcoming and inclusive places for everyone. It is important that students know what to do if they witness or experience inappropriate behaviour or incidents of hate or discrimination.

- There may be situations when you can safely step in and intervene and help.
- Talk to an adult at school, family member or other trusted adult.
- Report the event without the person involved knowing using our online reporting tool, Report It.

Report It lets you share information about inappropriate student behaviour or incidents of hate or discrimination. You can use the online form to report:

- bullying, drugs, cheating, vandalism, harassment, violence or any other inappropriate behaviour

- incidents of discrimination or hate, including anti-Indigenous racism, ableism, anti-Asian racism, anti-Black racism, antisemitism, classism, homophobia, Islamophobia, sexism, transphobia or other forms of hate

You can report events that happen at school, at school-related events, online or off school property if it negatively affects a student or the school climate. You can also choose to make a report anonymously.

Complete reports are shared with the school to investigate and respond.

Acts of discrimination, hate and bullying are never acceptable. Using the Report It tool is a way of standing up for each other and for ourselves.

You can find Report It on the homepage of the Board website at www.yrdsb.ca and on the homepage of every school website.

Mental Health Supports



DENISON'S CHAPTER

JACK.ORG

<https://jack.org/covid>

<https://jack.org/Resources/Find-Support>

Although jack.org is an advocacy group and not a service provider, this page on their site contains links to a variety of different mental health support/information websites.

BE THERE

<https://bethere.org/Home>

<https://bethere.org/Be-There-in-a-Crisis>

KIDS HELP PHONE

<https://kidshelpphone.ca/>

ANXIETY CANADA

<https://www.anxietycanada.com/>

CMHA

<https://ontario.cmha.ca/>

<https://toronto.cmha.ca/youth-zone/>

CRISIS SERVICES CANADA: 1-833-456-4566

This hotline deals with crisis support and suicide prevention