



Dr. J.M. Denison Secondary School

September 9, 2022

Timetable

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.

Guidance News

Timetable Change

Courses offered at Dr. J.M. Denison Secondary School are based on student requests submitted through My Pathway Planner. Please be advised that due to class maximum size limitations, we will not be able to accommodate all requests submitted for timetable changes.

Students are expected to attend the classes on their current timetable unless they are notified by Guidance that their requested timetable change has been made. If you are requesting a timetable change, please use this google form and be mindful of the criteria listed for changes:

[Timetable Change Form](#)

Important Dates

Sept. 19: Photo Day
Sept. 19: School Council Meeting
Sept 26-30: Safety Week
Sept 26: Rosh Hashanah
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

Principal

Alex Corry

Vice-Principals

Elissa D'Souza
Alexandra Wright
Doug Case

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Superintendent

Farooq Shabbar

Trustee Name

Elizabeth Terrell-Tracey
Linda Gilbert

Visit the Denison Webpage

[Morning Announcements & Calendar](#)

Husky Athletics

Denison Fitness Club

Starts: Monday, September 19
Time: 3:10 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.
Cost: Free

Girls Field Hockey - Tryouts

Monday, September 12 at 3:10 p.m.
Wednesday, September 14 at 3:10 p.m.
Tuesday, September 20 at 3:10 p.m.
No experience necessary.

Cross Country Running Team

Practice every Tuesday and Thursday at 7:00 a.m. (sharp)
First Practice, September 13th.
All running abilities welcome.

Boys and Girls Rugby

All Grades
Monday, Sept. 12 at 7:00 a.m. - First Practice for everyone

Varsity Soccer - Tryouts

Monday, September 12 at 3:10 p.m.
Tuesday, September 13 at 3:10 p.m.

Music Department

GRADE 9 MUSIC INFO SESSION

On Thursday, September 15th at 3:15pm Mrs. Hamilton, Head of Music, will be holding a Grade 9 Music Information Session to explain all the possible opportunities that grade 9's have to be part of the music program this year. Some students may be interested in joining our after school repertoire class which offers weekly band and choir rehearsals for a credit. Students who have music in second semester may want to participate in after school instruction to get a head start on their instrument now. This session is open to anyone in grade 9 who would like to learn how they can join music. The info session will take place in Room 119.

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

September 26 - 30

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.

School Calendar

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

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