



Dr. J.M. Denison Secondary School

September 25, 2020

Reminder - Rotation 2

September 28 – October 9

8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in-school for Period 2

* Remember to check TeachAssist for your Per.2 Cohort A or B

Online – Periods 1,3,4

Online Learning Security

As an additional security measure for our online learning environments, new security controls have been added in Google to ensure that only students registered in the class can enter the teacher's Google Meet.

Guidance

Just a reminder that students can meet VIRTUALLY with Guidance in 3 different ways now that semester 1 course changes are complete!

1. A google meet
2. A telephone conversation
3. An email conversation

Go to Teach Assist - Appointment Manager

Book your day, time and counsellor and then choose the appointment method you prefer.

Don't forget to accept your invitation! Hope to see you in Virtual Guidance.

As well, the [Grade 12 Course Drop form link](#) for eligible students and the [Course Change form for semester 2 changes](#), that will open November 2, are both located on the **Guidance page** of the school website and the Guidance Google classroom for students.

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Study Hall

Our supervised lunch and Study Hall will commence on Monday, September 21st in the cafeteria. The purpose of Study Hall is to provide a space for students who do not have consistent access to broadband Wi-Fi at home and are in school that day for their in-person morning class. During both the lunch period (for those remaining for Study Hall) and Study Hall itself, students will not have in-person access to their own classroom teachers.

Students who need to stay will move directly from their Block 1 class to Study Hall. Students must be working on afternoon online courses while being supervised by a staff member. Students will be supervised to ensure safety and will focus on participants' adherence to all Public Health requirements including sitting 2-meters apart.

During Study Hall, students must be respectful of the learning needs of all participants engaging in online classes. Students should use earphones and an appropriate volume while focusing on their learning.

While in Study Hall, students will:

- wear masks at all times (except when eating lunch; practice hand hygiene before/after eating)
- maintain a 2-meter distance
- sit in proximity with those students from their morning class (if any) for Lunch and Study Hall
- sign in for attendance purposes and remain in assigned seat
- provide their own technology including earphones (preferably microphone-enabled earphones to reduce noise during interactive activities with the online class)
- bring their lunches and maintain a clean and healthy environment; there will be no food service in the cafeteria and student are not permitted to leave property
- recycle and clean their work space; food delivery services are not permitted
- follow all expectations for Study Hall to ensure that health and safety (COVID-19) guidelines are adhered to (use the appropriate doors, sit in their designated seat)

Please contact the Main Office if you have questions or concerns.



Health Care Forms

Fillable Health Care forms are now available for families who have children with asthma, seizure disorders, anaphylaxis, diabetes, and/or other prevalent medical conditions. This also applies to children who require the administration of medication at school. These forms can be accessed through the links below and/or a paper copy can also be requested from your child's school principal.

[Anaphylaxis Health Care Plan](#)

[Asthma Health Care Plan](#)

[Diabetes Health Care Plan](#)

[Epilepsy/Seizure Disorder](#)

[Health Care Plan](#)

Once you've completed the appropriate Health Care Plan, please return it WITH the appropriate medication to school with your child. The form and medication can be placed in a sealable bag, with the student name marked on the bag and left at the office OR the form can be emailed to your Vice Principal:

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Weekly Quote

"Doing your best, is the best you can do!"

AFIWI ROOTS & REVIVAL

Virtual workshops for youth to connect with their roots and identity through the power of African Dance and Drumming!

In partnership with community organizations and funded by the Canadian Red Cross, Afiwi Groove School is offering a series of virtual workshops for youth across Canada

October 5 - November 28

Monday and Wednesday evenings

Afro Beats Dance
West African Ghanaian Dance
West African Malinke Dance
Afro Caribbean Dance
Djembe drumming



For more information, contact
outreach@afiwigroove.ca



Canadian Red Cross



www.afiwigroove.com

facebook.com/afiwigroove

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NACCA is partnering with AFIWI Groove School to deliver *Afiwi Roots & Revival* which is funded by the Canadian Red Cross. This is a FREE four week virtual introductory dance program starting October 5th, Here is what to expect:

- Week one: **Afro Beats**
- Week two: **Traditional West African Ghanaian Dance**
- Week three: **Traditional West African Malinke Dance**
- Week four: **Afro Caribbean Dance**

The 45 - minute classes will take place on Monday and Wednesday evenings during two time slots. Mondays are reserved for children under 12 years old and Wednesdays are reserved for older youth.

Monday Classes - 5:30PM- 6:15PM

Wednesday Classes - 6:30PM - 7:15PM

Space is limited so register early.

2020-2021 Night School Credit Classes

Please be advised that our traditional in class face-to-face Night School program will move to a remote learning delivery model. The program will be delivered virtually through remote learning which is a blend of synchronous (real-time) and asynchronous learning.

Before the start of the program, students will receive an email with instructions on how to join the class on the first day. YRDSB students will login with their gapps accounts and Non-YRDSB students will be provided with different instructions that will be sent to the email address provided on their registration form.

Decisions to run courses are based on sufficient enrollment and teacher availability

Semester One - Fall 2020:

September 29, 2020 to February 4, 2021

Semester Two - Winter 2021

February 18, 2021 to June 22, 2021

Course Offerings - Please review our list of [Courses Offered](#) for night school credit.

[Night School Information](#)

Credit International and Indigenous Languages Classes

Registration Open until **September 26**

Dear Families,

The International and Indigenous Languages (IIL) program provides elementary and secondary students with the opportunity to speak, read and write a new language or maintain heritage language and culture. Due to the pandemic, International and Indigenous Language classes for grades 9 to 12 students will take place **online**, not in the school buildings. Teachers will teach live language lessons in real time using Google Classroom to provide both synchronous and asynchronous learning opportunities during the regularly scheduled language class.

Lots of information is also available on our [International and Indigenous webpages](#). To learn more about secondary credit programs, click on [credit programs](#). Below you will find information on how to register for secondary credit (grades 9 to 12) language classes.

Secondary Program Registration:

Credit classes begin September 26, 2020. Secondary (Grades 9 to 12) IIL registration will not be accepted after the third class. Refer to our revised [brochure](#) for the most up-to-date information about class start dates and times.

YRDSB Students

Please register on [myPathway Planner](#) before September 26.

For assistance, view the myPathway Planner [tip sheet](#).

After September 26, please download the [Registration Form](#) and send it by email to international.languages@yrdsb.ca.

[More Information on Indigenous Languages](#)