



Dr. Denison Secondary School

September 27, 2019

Guidance Appointments

Visit <https://guidancedenison.youcanbook.me/>

Ontario University Fair

Metro Toronto Convention Centre September 27, 28 & 29

Attendance

Consistent attendance is essential to academic achievement. Our teachers work diligently to ensure that attendance information sent to you is absolutely correct so please contact the appropriate teacher immediately by voicemail or e-mail if there appears to be an error.

When your student is absent, please notify the Attendance Office as soon as possible by phone, note or email dr.j.m.denison.ss@yrdsb.ca to indicate that the absence is parent approved. You can reach the Attendance Office at 905-836-0021 ext. 181. Voicemail is available at all hours.

Fair Notice Brochure

['Student Threat Assessment and Intervention: "FAIR NOTICE" brochure](#)

Please consider this pamphlet as "fair notice" to all members of the school community that any report of a threat to harm others (spoken, written or gestured) will be investigated. The Student Threat Assessment Intervention protocol is part of our strategy to create a safe, secure and supportive school environment for everyone.

Important Dates to Remember:

September

Sept 30: Orange Shirt Day

October

Oct 3: Gr.8 Family Night
Oct 3: College Info and Scholarship Assembly
Oct 14: Thanksgiving
Oct 18: Interim Reports
Oct 18: Awards Assembly
Oct 11: Photo Retake Day
Oct 24: Teacher Interviews

School Contact Information:

Principal
Janet Atkinson

Vice-Principal
Michelle Godfrey
Candice Mott

<http://denison.ss.yrdsb.ca/>

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(905)836-0021

Superintendent
Erik Khilji

Trustee Name
Elizabeth Terrell-Tracey
Linda Gilbert

House

At Denison, we promote high academic achievements, the development of athletic skills and abilities, as well as a welcoming sense of inclusivity and community. The Student Council would like to encourage you to become more involved and feel a greater sense of belonging while you pursue your goals at school.

The House initiative involves the entire school: students, teachers, administration, support staff and caretaking staff. All members will be assigned into one of the 4 house teams: **Red**, **Yellow**, **Green**, and **Blue**. Throughout the year, teams will participate in various friendly competitive events to represent their house. There will be at least one event every month, and points will be allocated to each team based on placement in each of the events. This will all culminate on our big Denison Day event in June, when the final points will be tallied to determine which team will be declared the victor for the year!

Today at lunch we had our tricycle races which was followed by the Grade 9 Husky Olympics in Period 3 and Period 4.

School Trips

Each year various travel agencies advertise vacation packages and "Grad Trips" to our students through flyers and posters. These trips are not organized or supported by the school or YRDSB. All trips organized by the school will have an information night with school staff and will provide a detailed permission form on school letterhead. If you have any questions about any field trip, event or trip, please contact the school.

School Bus Safety

Reminder if you are dropping off or picking up your student, please don't park in the fire route or bus route located on the right side of the drive at the front of the school.



Volunteer Hours

Volunteering resource:
www.yorkinfo.ca

This is online access to volunteer opportunities in York Region. Remember volunteering must be for a non profit organization to qualify for community hours.

Volunteer opportunities are posted on the wall outside of the Guidance office.

Save the Dates

Sem 1 Exam Period is
January 23-29, 2020

Sem 2 Exam Period is
June 17-23, 2020

Homework

Online homework help
is available@ visit
www.homeworkhelp.ilc.org
or www.khanacademy.org

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Orange Shirt Day

September 30th, 2019

The [Orange Shirt Day](#) movement started in 2013 to highlight the pain and suffering of thousands of Indigenous children who were sent to residential school throughout the last century. The colour of the shirt is connected to the experience of Phyllis Webstad who was sent to Cariboo Residential School near Williams Lake, BC, in 1973.

Six-years old at the time, Phyllis went to her first day of school wearing a new bright orange shirt. New clothes were a rare thing for the young girl, who was being raised by her grandmother. However, upon arriving at the school, the nuns stripped her of the shirt, forcing her to wear the school's institutional uniform.

Webstad has felt the impact of that event long after it occurred, "that feeling of worthlessness and insignificance, ingrained in me from my first day at the mission, affected the way I lived my life for many years. Even now, when I know nothing could be further than the truth, I still sometimes feel that I don't matter."

The shirt has since gone on to become a symbol of a national movement that recognizes the suffering of Indigenous children at residential schools across the country and to show a renewed commitment to ensure that every child matters.

Recognize the resiliency and bravery of Residential School Survivors by wearing an orange shirt.

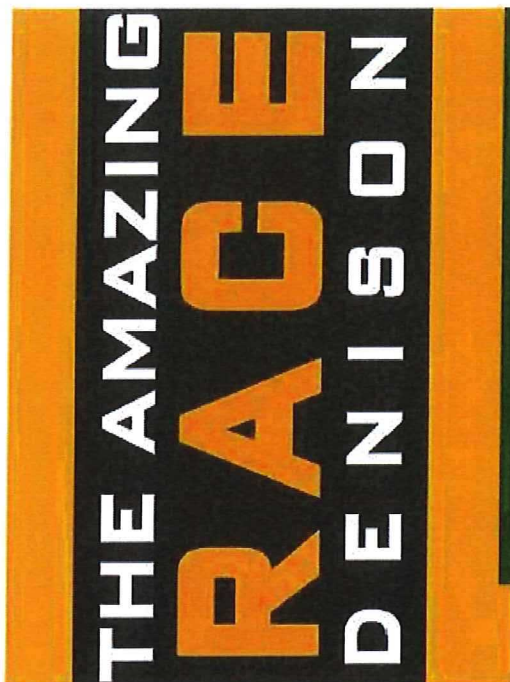


Parents Night

Parents' Night will be on the evening of Thursday, October 24th. Parents/Guardians will be using Edsby to schedule appointments with your child's teachers. If you have not yet signed up for Edsby, we will be sending information out soon.

Interim Report Cards

Interim Report Cards will be distributed on Friday, October 18, 2019. The purpose of the Interim Report is to notify parents and students of their progress and achievement in a course within the first six weeks of school. These reports give a Level (1-4) of current achievement. Your student will have had several assessments in each class that will help the teacher to determine this level. Students in all grades and levels of work will have some homework on a daily basis. If you have any questions about homework, please contact your student's teacher.



6:30 – 8:00 pm

Students play games and activities organized by each department.

Dr. John M. Denison
Secondary School

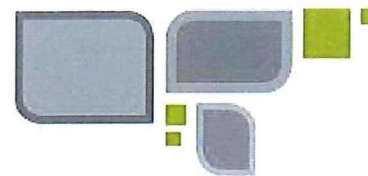
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THURSDAY OCT. 3RD DR. J.M. DENISON S.S. OPEN HOUSE

The Amazing Race Denison

This is an opportunity for Grade 8 students and their families to learn about the exciting things that happen at our school. The theme of the night is "The Amazing Race Denison" where students play games and activities organized by each department.

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Renewed Computer Technology (RCT) is a not-for-profit, charitable organization that empowers learners, educators and not-for-profit organizations with access to affordable, renewed computers to help meet education and career goals. Working with the **Dr. J.M. Denison S.S.** we are offering the following packages.

You can apply for this program if you are:

A resident of Ontario and you are an individual with limited income.

Parents or legal guardians may apply on behalf of a child or youth under the age of 18.

We offer 1 computer, per family, with a limit of 2 per household every one year.

Apply online @ www.rcto.ca
using group code: L3Y8J7-2C9
Before November 7, 2019

All systems include our
**STANDARD 2-YEAR
DEPOT WARRANTY**

batteries not covered by warranty.

Desktop Package \$60.00 plus shipping \$11.00 = \$71.00



You get - a desktop complete with Windows 10 and MS Office - Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and OneNote plus learning software
Others: Monitor, Keyboard and Mouse

*Computers may not appear exactly as shown

Laptop Package \$150.00 plus shipping \$11.00 = \$161.00



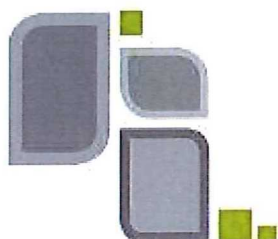
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For more information, please contact:

Main Office

Dr. J. M. Denison S.S.

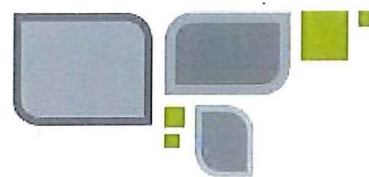
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APPLICATION CHECK-LIST

Application & Payment Deadline: November 7, 2019 | **Group ID Code:** L3Y8J7-2C9

Group Name: Dr. J. M. Denison S.S.

Fill out an online application and provide payment before **November 7, 2019** at www.rcto.ca/outreach

In order to successfully complete your online application, please include the following:

The Group ID Code: **L3Y8J7-2C9** | **Dr. J. M. Denison S.S.** is the group name

AND select **Mississauga** as your centre

Proof of Financial Status - Applicants must qualify as an individual with limited income under the limited income cut-off standards listed below. Families receiving social assistance are advised to check with their OW case worker. Parents or legal guardians may apply on behalf of a child or youth under the age of 18.

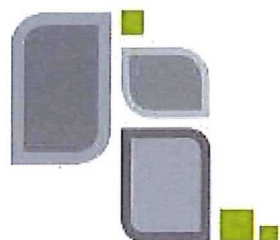
Family size	Annual income*
2 people	\$30,286
3 people	\$37,234
4 people	\$45,206
5 people	\$51,272
6 people	\$57,286
7 people or more	\$64,381

Please note – York Region District School Board is not responsible for, repair, replacement or ongoing maintenance of the refurbished equipment provided by RCT through this program; verification of valid licenses installed on refurbished equipment provided by RCT through this program; loss of data or damage to devices

Payment: \$60.00 for a desktop and \$150.00 for a laptop - plus \$11.00 shipping.

- Debit/Credit Card, Certified Cheque, Western Union Cheque, Bank Draft, or Money Order
- NO CASH. Thank you!

Cheques should be made to: Renewed Computer Technology – Applicant name must be added in the memo field. *When you come to pick-up your computer, please bring a government photo ID.*



For more information, please contact:

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