



Dr. Denison Secondary School

October 19, 2018

Guidance Appointments

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

Husky Wear

Order Husky Wear by October 31st for free shipping and delivery to Dr. Denison Secondary School.

<https://www.schoolwear.ca/dhs>



Parents' Night

Parents' Night will be on the evening of Thursday, October 25th. Parents/Guardians, please use Edsby to schedule appointments with your child's teachers.

You can start to schedule appointments at <https://yrdsb.edsby.com>

Community Involvement Fair at Denison!

Guidance will be hosting community partners on October 25th during periods 3 and 4 in the cafeteria. All grades are encouraged to come down and get signed up for hours with at least 1 of our agencies!

Volunteer opportunities are also posted outside of the Guidance office!

Important Dates to Remember:

October

Oct 22: PA Day
Oct 25: Teacher Interviews

November

Nov 6: Diwali
Nov 9: Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov 11: Remembrance Day
Nov 14: Take Your Kids to Work Day (TYKTW)
Nov 14: Mid-term Reports
Nov 23: PA Day

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Take Your Kids to Work Day

Wednesday, November 14, 2018 - Take our Kids to Work is a Canada-wide event where grade 9 students across Canada will be spending the day with an adult at their work place. Spending a day with an adult at their place of work helps students gain a good understanding of skills, training, and education necessary for success at work. This experience also allows students to gain valuable insights into the expectations placed upon people in the workforce.

Permission forms were given to your child on Wednesday, October 4th and were due back to your child's homeroom teacher on Friday, October 19th.

Please note that there will be no programming for Grade 9 students on this day.

Forms can be found on the front page of the Denison webpage.

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

Halloween

Wednesday, October 31st students are encouraged to come dressed in their best costume. Please remember that all costumes must be appropriate for school including no clowns, no masks or toy weapons (York Region District School Board's Safe Schools Policy #668.0).



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College and University Fall Open Houses!

There is a list of open house dates for Ontario Colleges and Universities in the Guidance office.

Please come and pick one up and visit early!

Volunteer

Volunteers needed at East Gwillimbury Public Library October 26 and 27. If interested email: libraryboard@egpl.ca

Online Homework

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

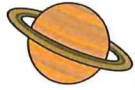
Volunteer Hours

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.

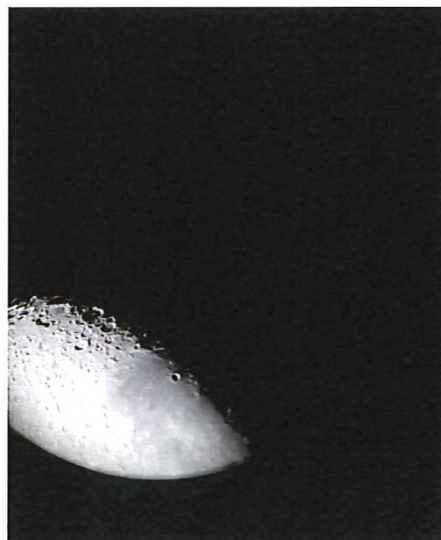
Science Club



The Denison Science Club had a Telescope Night on Thursday, October 18th. We got some great images of craters on the moon and could see Saturn's rings very distinctly. We hardly noticed how chilly it was!



Keep an eye out for notices of future viewing opportunities. We'd like to include more of the Denison community next time!



Cannabis Legalization

As of October 17, 2018, it will be legal for individuals **19 and older** to buy, use, possess and grow recreational cannabis. It remains illegal for anyone under the age of 19. This is the same as the minimum age for the sale of tobacco and alcohol in Ontario.

Regardless of age, cannabis is not allowed on school property or at school-related events at any time.

It is illegal for **anyone** regardless of age to smoke or vape any substance, including cannabis:

- at school, on school grounds, and all public areas within 20m of these grounds
- on children's playgrounds and public areas within 20m of playgrounds
- in child care centres, or where an early years program is provided
- in places where home child care is provided – even if children aren't present

There will be consequences for students if they are believed to be in possession or under the influence of alcohol, illegal drugs or cannabis. Suspension will be considered. There are exceptions if the medicinal use of cannabis is outlined in the student's Health Care Plan.

If a student gives alcohol or cannabis to anyone under the age of 19, the school will contact police, suspend the student and consider expulsion.

In YRDSB, we want families and students to be informed about the facts of cannabis legalization. To support this learning, you may find the following resources helpful . You can also request a hard copy through the school office.

[Cannabis: What Parents/Guardians and Caregivers Need to Know](#)

[Cannabis Talk Kit: Know How to Talk With Your Teen](#)

We will continue to provide students with information and support to make positive and healthy decisions.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school's administration.