# Huron Heights Secondary School

# Graduate Presentation 2021/2022

What you need to know in order to move to the next stage of your Journey.....

## Important Year!

This year you will need to Research, Plan and do some Soul Searching. You need to decide if you are ready to leave High School. Are you ready to move away from home? Are you sure you want this program or was it chosen for you? You are the one that is doing the studying, so you really want to enjoy the courses that you are taking. It is okay to take a year off if you don't feel ready. You could save money for school, or you could take courses over to improve your marks. You could travel (if possible:)!

This year you really need to put all your efforts into getting the best possible marks. Make sure that you have double checked the entrance requirements for EACH school - they vary sometimes. You want to look at what the entrance average is for each school and program. Check with your guidance counselor if you want to triple check! It is a good idea to have a meet with your counselor and solidify your choices. We love meeting with our grade 12's to help them make plans for their future.

We like you to submit your applications to University and College before the Christmas break. However, a lot of students like to apply in October to get their application in and looked at. There are early offers given out to students with HIGH marks (usually grade 11 marks in the 90's). If your application isn't submitted then they won't see you.

It is really important to visit the school (in person if possible). You want to really get a good feel from the school – try not to base your decision on the school Rep who talks to you. If you get a chance to walk the campus and see the people and the buildings and ask questions about the program, that is important. Residence is a big part of first year – so, you want to look at what type of rooms the school offers and what you feel would be a good fit for you.

Finally, it is an important to get your finances in order. Look at scholarships available at the schools you are applying to and also general scholarships, that our school is talking about. Slides are below...

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Soul Search...

# Graduates 2020-2021 Post Secondary Destinations

Interesting facts about students from Huron last year.
60% of Huron Grads went to a Post-Secondary Destination
37% of these students went to University
& 24% went to College
38% Victory Lap Students (versus 26% last year)

#### Top Post Secondary Choices for Huron Heights Students 2020/2021

#### University Choices from 20/21

96 students went (compared to 92 in the previous year) That means 37% of our Students Accepted an Offer

**Top choices of Universities from our students:** 

- 1. Wilfrid Laurier University
- 2. York University
- 3. Trent University
- 4. Guelph/Queen's/Carleton University

**Top Program Choices:** Bachelor of Science & Bachelor of Arts

#### College Choices from 20/21

63 students went (compared to 103 the year prior) 24% of our Students Accepted (24% of our students)

**Top Choices of Colleges from our students:** 

- 1. Georgian
- 2. Seneca
- 3. Durham
- 4.Algonquin/Fleming

<u>Top Program Choices:</u> Technology Programs, Behavioral Science, Fine Arts

## Goals

Sept - October Research / Finalize Choices / See your Guidance Counselor. Check out Scholarships.

Oct - Dec Apply to Post-Secondary(EARLY)

January/Feb Deadlines for Applying

## Credit Counselling Summaries Check them carefully!

Check your Graduation Requirements in your Pathway Planner account to ensure you will have completed the following requirements by the end of the 21/22 school year:

- 30 credits (18 Compulsory, 12 Elective)
- Literacy test (not required for students graduating in 21/22)
- 40 Community service Hours (due May 20, 2022) For students graduating in 21/22 school year a minimum of 20 hours are required.
- University applicants need to be taking a minimum of 6 grade 12 U or M level courses (4U not 3U [gr.11] eg. ENG4U1, CGW4U1, ASM4M1)
- SHSM (Ms. Phylactou)/Arts Huron (Ms. Barnard) Students book Grad check with counsellor listed if you are unsure if you are meeting requirements
- College applicants require a minimum of ENG4C (or ENG4U1), will not use OLC4O or ENG4E
- See your counsellor if you are unsure about this information

#### 34 Credit Threshold

After graduation you can return to Huron for up to a total of 34 Credits. Repeat credits count in this total. Make sure you plan keeping this in mind.

If you have an IEP - 34 credit threshold does not apply. ESL courses will also not be counted in the 34 credit total.

If you are returning for a semester after graduation, remember the courses that you want might not be offered in semester 1.

After graduation you can also consider taking on-line/night/adult/ILC courses.

# What am I looking for when I do my research?

- 1. What schools have my program?
- 2. Do I have the prerequisites? (these may vary)
- 3. What marks are they asking for?
- 4. Do they have a co-op? (admission based on 1st Year marks?)
- 5. What are the tuition fees? (schools vary)
- 6. What are the residence options?

#### VISIT SCHOOLS!!!

Participate in On-line tours, YouTube Virtual Tours
It is well worth your time!
Make yourself an excel chart comparing schools
and programs.

### TIMELINES 2021/22

- University Application Deadline: January 13/2022
   (announcement will be made when University Pin #'s will be available for pick-up required for application)
- College Application Deadline: February 1/2022
- Workshops on "How Do I Apply?" brought to you by your guidance department in October

Check out on school websites if you all need to complete a: Supplementary Application/Portfolio/Audition (dates set by each school)

## Offers of Admission

English counts in your average for almost all programs.

**College Acceptance** - usually based on Grade 12 College English mark and that you have graduated. Some programs have other prerequisites/requirements and minimum mark averages.

#### University Acceptance -

You don't apply for *Early Acceptance*. Early acceptance is an offer given, before your <u>second semester</u> <u>midterm</u> marks.

Acceptance into University is based on an **average of 6 grade 12 U or M courses** – the average will include all prerequisite courses for the program you are applying for – for example if the program you are applying for requires ENG4U1, MHf4U1 and MCV4U1, these will be included in your average along with you next best three grade 12 courses.

Universities may use your **grade 11 U and M** courses combined with your semester one grade 12 courses to get an average of your 6 U/M classes. **Semester One and Two\_Midterm and Final marks are sent by Huron to the application center/universities.** 

### Offers of Admission (cont'd)

University Offers - When Will they Happen?

Before Sem 1 final marks (RARE)

After final Sem 1 marks are sent

After Midterm marks of Sem 2 - Most offers especially for competitive programs happen after these marks are received by the universities

Schools have programs that calculate averages you don't have to pick your top 6 grade 12 Marks.

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### START YOUR RESEARCH NOW

•General:

www.yrdsb.ca (Pathway Planner-Online Student Tools )

- For **college**, use <u>www.ontariocolleges.ca</u>
- •For **university**, use <u>Ontario Universities' Application Centre</u> <u>www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca</u>
- •For apprenticeships, use <a href="http://www.apprenticesearch.com/">http://www.apprenticesearch.com/</a>
- Individual school websites
- Check out <u>prerequisites</u> for programs you have an interest in NOW!

#### Plan Ahead

- \*Know what marks you need in each class.
- \*Calculate averages using the classes that are prerequisites.
- \*Don't wait too long to plan your full year of courses.
  You might not be able to get the classes you want in sem 2. Second semester is too late.
- \*You can only take an online course if you have less than 4 classes in that semester (with permission).

### Where to get Info, and Answers

University – form on

www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca

Universities will directly send you information regarding their virtual sessions/tours

https://www.ontariouniversitiesfair.ca/

Sept 25 – 12–2 pm and Oct 26 5–7 pm

College – scroll down on main page to News and Events – College Mondays www.ontariocollegefair.ca

Every Monday in Oct & Nov - registration required

■ Apprenticeship - YRDSB's Apprenticeship Page and Employment Ontario LIVE CHAT

**YRDSB** 

Online Student Tools - My Pathway Planner

# Keep yourself in the loop!

- LISTEN
  - to announcements, or check the announcement board
- CHECK
  - the boards outside of guidance
- TALK
  - to your counsellor
- CONSULT
  - the proper websites regularly
- ATTEND
  - our information sessions on how to apply in October; Virtual Fairs

### Release of information to OCAS/OUAC

"There will be a one-time release of grades and other identifying information for all students in Grade 12 in early October.... using secure transmission technology to the Ontario University Application Centre and the Ontario College Application Service in support and in anticipation of all post secondary applications. If you would like more information about this or do not want your information sent, please contact your assigned guidance counsellor."

# Scholarships?

Interested in receiving financial assistance to help pay for your post-secondary schooling.

Check out: <a href="https://classroom.google.com/c/Mjk5MTQ1NTM2Mjkw?cjc=5vldqmo">https://classroom.google.com/c/Mjk5MTQ1NTM2Mjkw?cjc=5vldqmo</a> and

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1zViMflUJNjIJOcOQ1ET8arBMqyf5cE-hYO C5ZeKZK I/edit?usp=sharing for a list of scholarships and application deadlines.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Gorman in Guidance

# What Should I Do If I Still Have Questions?

If the questions are University or College specific – contact the institution directly – many have virtual chats where you can get immediate answers

Need help with your research? Have other questions? Contact your Guidance Counsellor. Specific information included with this email.

# Were you Listening?

We have Gift Card prizes for the first 3 correct Quizzes completed! Click on the Google Form below.

http://bit.ly/grade12presentationquiz