

Louis-Honoré Fréchette P.S.

FRÉCHETTE GAZETTE



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2019

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First Day back at school is Tuesday, September 3, 2019. Supervision will commence at 9:05am in the school yard and the bell rings at 9:20am sharp.

For information about where your child should go on the first day of school, please see Page 2.

Priorities:

- Foster Well-Being & Mental Health
- Champion Equity & Inclusivity
- Build Collaborative Relationships
- Empower Ethical Leadership
- Equity, Innovation & Leadership

Principal:
Arin Otis

Vice Principal:
Eugenia Korinis

Trustees:
David Sherman (905) 882-4179
Superintendent of Schools:
Chris Sarellas (905) 764-6830

Administrators' Message

The school year has come to an end and so we would like to fondly wish all of you a happy and safe summer holiday. We congratulate your children on their continued achievements and express our gratitude for the support you give to your children and to us in helping them learn and grow.

We would also like to express our sincere appreciation to our hard-working teachers, office staff, caretaking staff, School Council, community partners and of course our volunteers. Thank you everyone for your wonderful contributions. Your involvement is what makes L.H. Fréchette such a fantastic place to learn!

Each year, schools experience changes in staffing and this year is no different. Although it's hard to say goodbye, we would like to both recognize and thank all of our teachers and staff who are moving onto new assignments and taking leaves to explore new opportunities. We will miss you but know that you will be back to visit and that you will always remain part of the Fréchette family!

We are looking forward to the new school year when we will welcome new staff members and new families to L.H. Fréchette. We know that with the support of our community and School Council, that our new members will feel welcomed and in no time at all we will feel as though we have always known each other!

Arin Otis

Eugenia Korinis

Bonnes vacances!

Au revoir et bonne chance à la 8e année!

Now that our grade 8 students have graduated from elementary school, we sincerely hope that their last weeks at Fréchette were among their best.

Many of our students will be continuing their immersion studies at Vaughan Secondary School.

We wish all students great success and happiness in their future endeavours.

Keep in touch!



Re: Class Placement for September 2019

The students will get their class placements on the first day of school as follows:

- All grade 1 students will go to the gym.
- All grade 2 students will be outside where the teachers will be there to greet them.
- All grade 3 students will wait outside the portapak where the teachers will be there to greet them.
- All grade 4 students will go to the library.
- All grade 5 students will go to room 109A and 109B.
- All grade 6 students will go to the music room (Rm. 121)
- All grade 7 students will go to Rm. 307.
- All grade 8 students will go to Rm. 300.

We are working diligently to organize our classes to provide the best program for each child, and to comply with the maximum class size allowed.

While we understand that you may wish to know your child's class placement before the start of school, our enrolment may change significantly between now and the first day of school. Students will be informed of their class placement on their first day of attendance in September. Please do not call the office.

TRACK & FIELD

Congratulations!!!

CONGRATULATIONS to all our AMAZING Fréchette athletes who participated, competed and achieved great success at both Area and Regional Track & Field events this past month! We are so proud of all of you for your true sportsmanship and determination in your events, and for cheering on your fellow classmates!!

Area Pennant Winners: There are only 12 pennants to win, and 23 schools competing. Amazingly Fréchette won 4 new pennants for our gym, including overall Junior Day!!

Regional Event: We are so proud to have sent 24 Fréchette students to the Regional event to compete in 28 events. For the second time in 10 years, Fréchette won a REGIONAL PENNANT for grade six Junior Team. Fantastic, WOW!!!!

Felicitations to all our athletes for their hard work, personal bests, ribbon achievements and for representing L.H. Fréchette so well!

Thank you to the hard working teachers who supported at all the track events!

Summer Institute Program and Elementary International Languages

The York Region District School Board **Summer Institute** is a program that offers academic, recreational and athletic programs and activities with intentional links to the Ontario Curriculum for children and youth entering Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8. Click on the link for more information. [Summer Institute](#)

We are pleased to announce that we are offering online registration for the Elementary International Languages Program. On line registration will commence on Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 4:00pm and will remain open until Sunday, August 11, 2019 at 11:59 pm.

The program is funded by the Ontario Ministry of Education and is intended for students who wish to learn a new language, preserve their own language or enhance their intercultural awareness. There is no cost to enroll in the program, except for a consumable fee. Decisions to run courses are based on sufficient student enrolment and teacher availability. Link: [Elementary International and Indigenous Languages](#)

School Year Calendar for 2019- 2020

The school year shall consist of 187 instructional days with students commencing classes on **Tuesday, September 3, 2019** and ending on Thursday, June 25, 2019. The school holidays will be as follows:

Thanksgiving	Monday, October 14, 2019
Winter Break	December 23, 2019 - January 3, 2020
Family Day	Monday, February 17, 2020
March Break	March 16 - 20, 2020
Good Friday	Friday, April 10, 2020
Easter Monday	Monday, April 13, 2020
Victoria Day	Monday, May 18, 2020



Elementary Training Days and Professional Activity Days are as follows: September 23, October 21, November 15, 2019, January 17, 31, June 1 and 26, 2020.

School Office Reopens: Monday, August 26, 2019.

Keeping Up Your Child's French in the Summer

What can you do to keep up your child's French during the summer months? Try and give your child as much exposure to the language as possible. Here are a few suggestions:

1. TV/Radio – 10-20 minutes per day of French language television or radio.
2. French videos once or twice a week.
3. Taped books in French.
4. French magazines and books.



Thank You to Our Caretaking Staff

A very special thank you to Jeff and his team, Jason, Robert and Anderson for keeping our school clean and safe and for answering our numerous calls throughout each day. We extend a thank you to the caretakers at Vaughan Secondary School who come to lend a helping hand when needed.



Our caretakers will be very busy over the summer months getting the school ready for September and cleaning every nook and cranny of the school.

2018-19 Report Cards



For those parents/guardians who have not picked up

their final term report card for the 2018-19 school year, please be advised that they will be available for pickup in the office as of Monday, August 26, 2019.

Lunch Assistants

Each year, we benefit from the help of our wonderful school assistants at our afternoon lunch time to help with lunch and outdoor duty.



They are very dedicated and we appreciate all their hard work.

Thank you to: Bala, Susana, Fabiana, Marina, Tatiana, Simone, Svaitlana, Rita, Yalda and Tatiana K. for all their time and effort.

We hope to see them all again next year.

Congratulations Fréchette

This is the seventh year that Fréchette has achieved **Platinum**

Status. Bravo everyone!!! We can't wait to add our new Platinum Award to our existing plaque!!

Next year, teachers and students will be working hard to reduce the amount of paper used in the school as well as electricity.

Thanks to all of the Eco-Team who organized and lead school activities to help students become more aware of how to help the environment around the school and beyond. The Eco-Team planted the garden and cared for vegetables that they will harvest in the fall.

Thank you to Mme Paul, Mancuso, Zealey and Chung for their leadership and dedication! **Way to go Fréchette!**

If there are any parents who would like to help with our initiatives next year, please contact Mme Mancuso at the school.



ARE YOU MOVING??

If you know that you will be moving and your children will be changing schools, please let us know as soon as possible.

As always, it is vital that any information regarding change of home or work address or emergency contacts should be reported to the office to ensure smooth communications between home and school.

You may email the changes to either
 Mme Apa at rose.apa@yrdsb.ca or
 Mme. Pupo at teresa.pupo@yrdsb.ca. Thank you.



Busing Information

With new students coming and some leaving, there may be some changes to the timing of your child's bus in morning or in the afternoon. **Parents are asked to please check The York Region District School board web site or <https://www.schoolbuscity.com/> for more busing information.**



The new information will be up-dated during the summer and will be available the third week of August. Parents can look up information based on their home address.

During the first few weeks of school, please ensure that your child arrives at the bus stop ten minutes early. After this period, it is anticipated that each bus route will develop its regular pick up and drop off times.