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## **Middlefield** Collegiate Institute

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#### **Greetings to our MCI Families**



Thank you to all who were able to participate in the School Council meeting on Monday where Mr. Stephenson shared information about the post-secondary application process for colleges and universities. On Wednesday, Middlefield's Athletic Council (MAC) provided students with an opportunity to gather to watch our Canadian Soccer Team play in the World Cup - the energy and enthusiasm was amazing despite the loss.

Sincerely, A.Higgins Wright, J.Bordonali & H. Brar

## Bridging the Gap in Autism and ADHD Support and Services

Many families are searching for opportunities to address the barriers that exist with accessing services for their children with Autism and/or ADHD. This workshop will seek to address these gaps in support and services and will be held in Tamil. Click <u>here</u> for more information

## **Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter**

November's Mental Health Newsletter for families and caregivers has a focus on the Student Mental Health and Addiction Strategy: Within Us, Between Us, and Around Us - a closer look at "Within". Please click <u>here</u> for more information.

## Yearbook Grad Deal



Don't miss out! It's time to pre-order the 2022/2023 yearbook! This year's yearbook is being sold for a low price of \$46 on School Cash Online! The FINAL DATE for pre orders is DECEMBER 1ST so make sure to buy your yearbook before then! There will be no yearbooks sold after that date. No yearbooks will be sold in May or June and the yearbook is only available for pre-orders. The Yearbook team will be holding two amazing graduation deals for our graduating students. You will be able to buy this year's yearbook and the 2019/2020 yearbook in a two-for-one deal for only \$68 (50 packages are available)! In addition, you will also be able to buy this year's yearbook, the 2019/2020 vearbook AND the 2020/2021 yearbook in a three-for-one deal for only \$79 (only 40 packages are available)! There will be no more discounts. Keep your child's precious high school memories alive by buying their yearbook.

## **Prayer Space**

Our prayer space is available for students beginning during the last part of Period 3 classes. Students accessing the prayer space will receive and submit a Request for Faith Accommodation in their Period 3 class.

## **Ontario Secondary Literacy Test (OSSLT)**

The Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) is administered by the Government of Ontario's Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO). This test is administered to determine whether students have acquired the minimum literacy skills expected in the Ontario Curriculum, up to the end of Grade 9. Successful completion of this literacy test is one of the requirements to earn an Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD).

EQAO is administering the OSSLT in a fully online platform. Eligible **Grade 10** students will be writing the week of **November 14th**. Eligible **Grade 11 and 12** students will be writing the week of **November 28th**.

Students received an email today to their GAPPS account with their scheduled date and location.

Students who are successful on the OSSLT will have satisfied the OSSD graduation requirement.

Students have the opportunity to become familiar with the online test and its platform through EQAO's <u>online practice test</u> as well as through the MCI OSSLT Google Classroom. You can also receive more information and support by contacting Ms. Patras (<u>sofia.patras@yrdsb.ca</u>).

For more information about EQAO and to view the full practice test, you are encouraged to visit EQAO's website <u>www.eqao.com</u>

## **Updates From the Phys Ed Department**

During the month of October, Middlefield Students had the exciting opportunity to participate in a unit called Junglesport. Junglesport is a company that brings their very own climbing structure to the school gymnasiums. During the week, students in the Phys-Ed program explored the various challenges and faced their fears while climbing the wall or rope structures. We look forward to offering this unique opportunity to our classes next semester.



This semester in the Health and Physical Education Department two Leadership Through Volleyball classes are being run. This particular course has been a favorite among grade 10 students for over a decade now since it was first offered. Students enjoy learning the game of volleyball and all it has to offer. Different styles of volleyball have evolved from the original game. Beach volleyball, Sitting Volleyball, and 9 person Volleyball are branches of the game that students enjoy learning and playing in class. Each Friday is known as "Cup Day" which is a popular tournament day wrapping up the week.



## **College/University Virtual Presentations**

Colleges and Universities will be hosting events online and in person this fall. Keep an eye out for the following events. A schedule of visits will be updated in future eBulletins.

Date/Time	School
November 18 to 25	Toronto Metropolitan University Open House
November 26	Seneca College Fall Open House

## **Online Tools for Post Secondary Research**

Now is the time to start researching your post-secondary options. Attending a virtual open house is best, but when distance and/or time are issues, consider these online search tools:

#### Ontario Universities (www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca):

A great tool for Ontario university programs. All information regarding admission requirements, residence, and scholarships are available.

#### University Study (www.universitystudy.ca):

Website containing profiles on all Canadian Universities.

#### School Finder (www.schoolfinder.com):

Search for information on Canadian universities, colleges, and career colleges.

#### Ontario Colleges (www.ontariocolleges.ca):

School information and program listings for Ontario's colleges.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the application process, feel free to book an appointment with your Guidance Counsellor. Also remember to attend MCI's virtual fairs. The college fair is coming in November.

#### **Scholarships**

Now is the time for graduating students to start exploring scholarship opportunities. Here are some upcoming scholarships to consider:

Burger King Scholars Program Deadline Dec 15 For Eligibility: Click Here

#### **University Admission Averages**

For many programs, the admission process at Ontario universities is simple. Offers can based entirely on Grade 11 and/or Grade 12 high school grades *or* are based on a consideration of senior high school grades, extracurricular activities, and supplementary applications.

Universities may state academic minimums for a particular program (e.g. must have a 70% mark in ENG4U to be considered) or they may publish the minimum average that secured entry into a particular program the previous year. In the latter case, it is not uncommon for these academic cut-offs to vary from year to year.

Students can get a general idea of the minimum grades required for their programs of choice by checking the ontariouniversities info.ca website, or looking at the admission websites of individual universities. Please be aware that these minimum grades do not guarantee an offer of admission; in some cases the marks must be much higher.

For a more detailed idea on admission averages, you can visit the Common University Data Ontario website (cudo.ouac.on.ca). CUDO has lots of school specific information regarding:

- · Number of degrees awarded, student enrolment and entering averages all by program;
- · Number of students living on campus and activities offered;
- · Student satisfaction;
- · First-year tuition and ancillary fees by program;
- · Number of teaching faculty;
- · Undergraduate class size, by year level;
- · Graduation rates and employment rates by program.

## **Interested in Studying Abroad?**

Post secondary study outside of Canada can be a rewarding experience. Students interested in post-secondary programs outside of Canada can use the following resources:

#### i-studentglobal (www.i-studentglobal.com)

Information on programs and schools in : Australia, Ireland, New Zealand, USA, and the UK. International scholarship information is provided, as well as an outline of documents required.

#### The Universities and Colleges Admissions Services (www.ucas.com)

The application service for colleges and universities in the UK. Programs and information for International Students is available. *Please note the application deadline is December 1, 2020.* 

#### The Common Application (www.commonapp.org)

This is the application website to over 700 universities and colleges in the USA. Application

deadlines vary by school so do your research as to when the deadlines are for the schools you are interested in. Remember that for most US colleges and universities you will need to take either the SAT or ACT tests. Test dates and deadlines can be found at *www.collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat* and *www.act.org*.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the application process, feel free to book an appointment with your Guidance Counsellor.



#### Attendance & Lates

Parent(s)/guardian(s), students aged 18 and older as well as students who have declared their independence must report all absences, late arrivals, and/or changes to departure plans to the school in a timely manner.

Where possible, notify the school in advance by 905-472-8900 ex 151 or emailing the school: middlefield.ci.attendance@yrdsb.ca

If you receive a phone call regarding your child's absence please send an email to: <u>middlefield.ci.attendance@yrdsb.ca</u>

## **Medical Health Care Forms**

It is critical that parents and guardians share information with us about students' serious or life-threatening medical conditions or other health-related matters so that we can create fulsome Health Care Plans that help keep students safe. We encourage students, who are able, to contribute to the creation of these plans too.

Please access any forms (to the right) as needed. Completed forms and medication can be placed in a sealable bag, with the student's name marked on the bag and left in the Main Office As always, please contact us with any questions or concerns. Health Care Plan Form Diabetes Health Care Plan Asthma Health Care Plan Anaphylaxis Health Care Plan Epilepsy/Seizure Disorder Health Care Plan Administration of Medication Form Staff Administration of Medication Form

#### **MIDDLEFIELD CI PHONE EXTENSION & EMAIL LIST**

To view our staff directory please click on the following link.

#### MIDDLEFIELD QUICK LINKS

Middlefield C.I. Website: http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/middlefield.ci

York Region District School Board Website: https://www2.yrdsb.ca/

#### YRDSB Guide to the 2022-2023 School Year:

https://www2.yrdsb.ca/sites/default/files/2021-08/SD-GuidetotheSchoolYear.pdf

#### SHSM Ministry Website:

http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/morestudentsuccess/SHSM.html

# HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!

