



Thornlea Secondary School

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IMPORTANT DATES

Dec. 26 - Jan. 6	Winter Break
Jan. 9	First Day back to school in 2023
Jan 10 - Jan 13	Graduating Class Photo Week (By appointment only)
Jan 18-19	Grade 9 EQAO

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Meeting Time: 7:00pm
Meeting Location:
Library (across from the office)
& Online

Meeting Dates:

Tuesday Feb 21, 2022
Monday April 17, 2022

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Thornlea Families,

I am writing this greeting and looking out my window as the snow fall increases and the temperature drops. I hope that all our families are safe. For those traveling over the holidays, I wish you a safe, relaxing and enjoyable trip. Over the winter break there is no expectations for our students to do any school work. We hope they rest and relax with family and friends that they read for fun and come back to school refreshed and ready to go.

When we return to school our teachers, SERTS, and Student Success teachers will be putting a push on for students to hand in missing assignments. We will also be working on preparing our students for exams, something that hasn't happened in three years. Teachers, our librarians, SERTS and Student Success teacher have been teaching students how to prepare for and write an exam. There is one date that we would like to bring to the attention of our graduating students and their families. January 12th is the last date for students to apply for University admission through OUAC and receive equal consideration. If students require support our Guidance department is available for help and to answer any questions that students may have.

For those families celebrating over the holidays I would like to wish you a Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I look forward to seeing everyone back at school in the New Year.

Warmest regards,

Joe Foti

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CLASSROOM CONNECTION

STUDENT MEDICAL FORMS:

- [Anaphylaxis Health Care Plan](#)
- [Asthma Health Care Plan](#)
- [Diabetes Health Care Plan](#)
- [Epilepsy Health Care Plan](#)
- [Self Administration Of Medication](#)
- [Staff Administration Of Medication](#)

YRDSB LINKS:

- [What is De-Streaming](#)
- [York Region Public Health](#)
- [COVID-19 Mental Health Resources for Students and Families](#)

USEFUL LINKS:

- [YRDSB Website](#)
- [Thornlea Website](#)
- [Thornlea Calendar](#)
- [Thornlea Instagram](#)
- [York Region Public Health](#)

DEPARTMENT OF MODERN LANGUAGES

This month, students in Thornlea's French programme (Core and Immersion) enjoyed some fun and engaging cultural activities!



Mme Fu's grade 11 French Immersion class attended the play *Les Zinspirés* at the Théâtre Français in the Distillery District. Afterwards they created a vlog and photo collage of foods, art and architecture of the neighborhood.



Mme Volfovsky's grade 9 core French class celebrated UNESCO's designation of the **baguette** as an *Intangible Cultural Heritage* by making their own! They used a classic and simple recipe provided by a parent and learned about the importance of baguettes in French history and culture.



Bon appétit!



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GUIDANCE NEWS

Hello from the Guidance Department

This year's Guidance team consists of:

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T. Gord
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J. Muench (Guidance Secretary)
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Student Surname:

A - JAM

JAN - MOR

MOS - Z

Students are encouraged to connect with us in-person or on-line please complete the form. Once you have submitted the form, your alpha guidance counselor will connect with you via their school Gapps email to set-up an appointment.

Please access information through our Thornlea Guidance Webpage:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/thornlea.ss/guidance/Pages/default.aspx>

Our Ontario University Slide deck presentation is also ready to view along with our Ontario College Slide deck. Please see links below:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/thornlea.ss/guidance/Pages/University.aspx>

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/thornlea.ss/guidance/Pages/College.aspx>

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For Scholarship information for grade 12 graduating students, please check the Scholarship section for updates on the grade 12 Guidance GoogleClassroom. Grade 12 Invitation Link:

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MzO1MzAxNDUxMDUw?cjc=wrhpcgg>

Grade 12 Code; wrhpcgg

- The transmission to the Ontario Universities Application Centre (OUAC) was on Nov. 18th, 2022.
- The transmission to the Ontario College Application Services (OCAS) was on Nov. 18th, 2022.
- The next transmission for OUAC and OCAS will be February 16th, 2023.

Important Notice for all grade 12's that have applied to OUAC for university and OCAS for College.

Your mid-term grades from semester one have been processed by OUAC and OCAS and sent to the Universities and Colleges to which you have applied. Please log on to your online application in order to review your academic information. This verification is especially important if OUAC does not have a valid email address on file, or you are not able to receive emails from OUAC/your Universities because of a junk-mail setting with your inbox. If you see an error in your OUAC file, it is very important that you contact your Guidance Counsellor as soon as possible to have it corrected.

University Applications:

- You can select as many University programs as you would like (\$50.00 each), but you can only choose a maximum of 3 programs per University. For example:
- Only 3 choices can be used for all University of Toronto campuses, for example (St. George, Scarborough, Mississauga) can have one program each or all 3 at Scarborough or any combination adding up to 3.
- Waterloo University, you could only select a maximum of 3 programs. If you wanted to add a 4th you cannot.

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If you need clarification on this process or have questions, please do not hesitate to ask your child's counselor. **Deadline for equal consideration is Jan. 12th 2023.**

Ontario College Application Seminar:

You can apply to an Ontario College today! **Deadline for equal consideration is Feb. 1st 2023.**

www.ontariocolleges.ca

The next OUAC University grades transmission is scheduled for **February 16, 2023.**

If students are planning on making a request for a timetable change for 2nd semester, they should contact their counselor.

(Reminder: Equal Consideration Deadline for applications to Ontario Universities is January 12, 2023 (It is highly recommended to pay on-line with a credit card)

Equal Consideration Deadline for applications to Ontario Colleges is February 1, 2023.

OUAC IMPORTANT DATES

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Friday, December 9, 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Re: Upcoming EQAO Assessments

On Wednesday, January 18 and Thursday, January 19, 2023, Thornlea students currently enrolled in a Grade 9 math class will be taking part in the provincial Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics created by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO), an independent agency of the Government of Ontario. This assessment is administered to all students in Grade 9 MTH1W1/3 course in Ontario's publicly funded school system.

The assessment consists of two test booklets, and students are given 60 minutes to complete each booklet. Extra time will be permitted where needed under a teacher's supervision. Both booklets are to be completed **online** in school using a YRDSB device.

EQAO assessment questions are directly based on the expectations set out in *The Ontario Curriculum*, which is what teachers teach in the classroom every day. Therefore, your child does not need to prepare in any special way. Students will write the test in a designated location that has computers with their regular teachers (where possible) and can prepare as they would for any other secondary school test.

Please note that this test, or part of it, will also be graded by your child's math teacher and will count towards 5% of their class mark.

In September 2023, EQAO will send our school a report on your child's achievement on the assessment, and we will send it home at that time. Your child's results are private and will give you an indication of his or her achievement in relation to Ontario's high provincial standard. The standard, or Level 3, represents the range from 70% to 79%. Meeting the standard means your child has a solid grasp of the required knowledge and skills, which is a good indication that he or she will be ready for math work in Grade 10.

You can use the information that EQAO assessment results provide about your child's strengths and areas needing improvement to celebrate and monitor your child's progress. It can also help you in discussions with teachers. As a school community, we use these results, along with other information, to guide our school improvement initiatives. This benefits not only your child but all the students in our school. The results are also used by our school board and the Ministry of Education to direct attention and resources where they are needed.

For more information about EQAO and to view a sample of its assessments, you are encouraged to visit www.eqao.com.

Sincerely,


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Your Portrait Session

Carry on the Canadian tradition of marking your graduation accomplishments with a classic portrait! Your professional portrait session includes traditional gown and sash poses on contemporary and traditional backgrounds.

**Sit fee details available online when you book your session.*



More Options

Your comfort and enjoyment are our top priority when you are at the camera. We want all students to let your true colours shine. Your sitting options may include: more poses, casuals, and Vintage Hollywood poses. **View details on all your sitting options at bookmygrad.ca**



B.Y.O.P

Depending on the school, Edge may or may not provide props during your photo shoot. Please feel free to bring your own flowers, books, etc. to be photographed with during your session. There's no limit to your creativity!

**Poses and backgrounds may vary.*

Graduating Class Composite

Just like the ones you stared at in your high school hallways, you'll receive your very own copy of a graduating class composite. Composites are typically handed out at Convocation or at the end of the school year.

A traditional portrait with a blue background will be provided to your school for the composite and yearbook.

**Composite size and folder inclusion vary by school. Details provided upon booking.*



Book your session TODAY!

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Graduation Fee Includes:

- Cap & Gown**
- Venue with light refreshments**
- Decorations**

Graduation Fee is \$75.00 per GRAD

If you have NOT YET PAID the fee and will be attending graduation on June 28, 2023, please pay now and make sure to include the gown size.

Pay GRADUATION FEES
via SchoolCash Online

<https://yrdsb.schoolcashionline.com/>



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THORNLEA EXAM SCHEDULE: JANUARY 26 - FEBRUARY 1, 2023																					
GR.	PERIOD 1					PERIOD 2					PERIOD 3					PERIOD 4					DAY 5
	Thursday, January 26 - 9:00 am					Friday, January 27 - 9:00 am					Monday, January 30 - 9:00 am					Tuesday, January 31 - 9:00 am					Wednesday, February 1
	Course	Teacher	RM	hrs	Course	Teacher	RM	hrs	Course	Teacher	RM	hrs	Course	Teacher	RM	hrs					
9	CGC1D1-02	Ecker	240	1.5	CGC1D1-07	Seguin	216	1.5	CGC1D1-03	Ecker	240	1.5	CGC1D1-01	Seguin	216	1.5	Culminating Performance Tasks				
	CGC1DF-01	Awad	140	1.5	FSF1D1-02	Awad	140	2	MTH1W3-03	Perry	136	1.5	FIF1DF-01	Fu	138	2	Repertoire Playing Exam				
	MTH1W1-01	Tran	224	1.5	MTH1W1/IW3-08	Tews	136	1.5	MTH1W3-02	Tran	224	1.5	FSF1D-01	Vollofsky	143	2	Credit Rescue				
	MTH1W3-01	Tews	136	1.5					MTH1W3-07	H. Wang	112	1.5	MTH1W1-02	Jeor	127	1.5	Incident Weather Day				
	SNC1W1-04	H. Wang	112	1.5					SNC1W3-04	Chan	123	1.5	SNC1W1-08	Huang	112	1.5					
10	MPM2D1-05	Jeor	127	1.5	FIF2DF-03	Pilaram	146	2	FIF2DF-01	Pilaram	146	2	SNC1W3-03	Ross	117	1.5					
	MPM2D3-02	Lee	135	1.5	MPM2D1-01	Patel	131	1.5	MPM2D1-04	Jeor	127	1.5	SNC2D1-03	L. Wang	139	1.5					
	SNC2D1/2D3-06	Manivannan	125	1.5	MPM2D3-01	Lee	135	1.5					SNC2D3-02	Manivannan	125	1.5					
					SNC2D1-02	Chan	123	1.5													
11	MCF3M1-01	Mahalingam	129	2	BAF3M1-01	Lagis	109	2	ENG3U1-02	Kennedy	235	1.5	ENG3U1/3UE-06	Burman	237	1.5					
	MCR3U1-03	Aminvaziri	131	2	ENG3U1/3UE-03	Burman	237	1.5	FIF3UF-01	Fu	138	2	MCR3U1-02	Mahalingam	129	2					
	SCH3U1-02	L. Wang	139	2	SCH3U1/3UE-05	L. Wang	139	2	FSF3U1/4U1-01	Awad	140	2	SBI3U1-01	Vervaeke	123	2					
	SPH3UE-01	Paydar	118	2	SVN3M1-02	Vervaeke	112	2	MCR3U1-05	Lee	135	2	SBI3UE-01	Chu	142	2					
								SBI3U1-03	Vervaeke	142	2										
								SPH3U1-01	Paydar	118	2										
12	CLN4U1-01	Ceausu	218	2	CHY4U1-01	Ceausu	218	2	ENG4U1-02	Hutchison	232	2	ENG4U1-04	Hutchison	232	2					
	ENG4U1-03	Levine	226	2	MHF4U1/4UE-05	McCutcheon	132	2	FSF3U1/4U1-01	Awad	140	2	FIF4U1/4UF-01	Pilaram	146	2					
	MHF4U1-02	McCutcheon	132	2	SCH4U1-02	Manivannan	125	2	MCF4U1-01	Mahalingam	129	2	MHF4U1-03	Patel	131	2					
	SBI4U1/4UE-04	Ross	117	2					SBI4U1-02	Ross	117	2	MHF4U1/4UE-07	McCutcheon	132	2					
								SPH4U1/4UE-03	R. Ackerman	134	2										

Culminating Activities Planning Sheet

PERIOD 1			PERIOD 2		
Course	Culminating Task(s)	Due Date(s)	Course	Culminating Task(s)	Due Date(s)
PERIOD 3			PERIOD 4		
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