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WESTMOUNT CI



March 23 - April 6, 2018

Attendance: 905.882.0277 x 238

*Inspire* Learning!

Principal: Sheri Epstein

Vice-Principal: Barb Caravella

Vice-Principal: Todd Taylor



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*Chag Sameach*  
**HAPPY  
PASSOVER**

# Message from the Admin Team

Dear Families and Community Members,

Happy Spring!

We hope that all of our students had a wonderful, relaxing March Break with time to recharge for the remainder of the semester.

Many of us are looking forward to milder temperatures and longer days ahead. The second semester is well underway! You should have received your child's Interim Progress Report this week, which may have a Parent –Teacher interview request to discuss their progress. This report will give you an indication of your child's initial achievement in current courses. Should you have any other inquiries, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher(s) directly.

Course verifications were due this week. The verifications are provided so that you have an opportunity to review your child's course selection requests for next year and make any changes. This information helps us create the master timetable for the next school year. Taking the time to review and verify courses, helps us to ensure that your child's timetable reflects the courses requested. We do our very best to ensure a match between the timetable and the requests. We thank you for supporting us with this process.

Our Semester 1 Awards Ceremony took place on March 8<sup>th</sup> and it was nice to see many parents/guardians attend the celebrate student achievement and success. It was a wonderful way to begin our day, seeing so many proud and happy students and parents/guardians.

Parent-Teacher Interview Night will take place on March 27, beginning at 6:30 – 7:15 in the school's atrium, with all teachers and administrators available. During this portion of the evening, parents/guardians have the opportunity to meet teachers and have quick conversations about progress in the a given class. Timbits and coffee will be available. This is the perfect time for parents/guardians who wish to quickly meet their child's semester two teachers, and put a face to a name. At 7:15 pm (until 8:30), we will move into the formal portion of the evening for those parents/guardians and teachers who have scheduled appointments. These appointments have been made for more serious concerns related to work habits, academic performance or other issues that need to be discussed in a more formal setting. Please join us on March 27.

We continue to look forward to the many events and activities taking place during the last few days of March, leading up to April.

Other dates to note in the coming weeks are:

- March 27 – Grade 12 assembly (mandatory) – Topic: Prom and Graduation
- March 28 – Spirit Day – Blue Jays Day
- March 30 – Good Friday, Passover begins at sundown – no school
- April 2 – Easter Monday – no school
- April 10 - Grade 10 OSSLT (Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test) - only students writing the OSSLT need to attend on this day.

We would like to wish all of our students and their families happy holidays over the next couple weeks.

Warmest regards,

Barb Caravella

Vice-Principal

### Tuesday, March 27

- Metro Convention Centre - Chan, Soon Shiong
- Music Alive Festival - Newmarket Theatre - Nixon, Morgan

### Wednesday, March 28

- Boys Varsity Soccer - Wright, Gorewicz

### Tuesday, April 3

- U of T Choral Festival - Faculty of Music - Morgan, Nixon

### Wednesday, April 4

- Badminton - Gorewicz, Jarvis



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### GSA Club

The GSA club aims to provide a safe space for LGBTQ+ members and allies of Westmount CI. We hold weekly meeting where LGBTQ+ related discussions, debates, history lessons, and organizing events dedicated to GSA all take place. We also love to express ourselves in various creative art forms such as poetry, painting, and crafts as a way to spread our message of inclusiveness and acceptance. All sexual orientations are welcome in our club, and we'd love to see you at our next meeting!

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### WESTMOUNT APPAREL IS BACK

Please see attached flyer for details on styles, sizes and prices.

Please come to **Bare Necessities** between 8:15 and 8:35 and 12:30-12:45 Monday-Friday to load your student / staff card with cash (with Mr. Coates). Then return to the store, at your convenience, to process your order with a student employee. Our first orders will be placed April 16th.

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# @WCI Guidance Team UPDATES

## **2018-19 COURSE SELECTION**

A verification sheet of your child's course selection was distributed to all students in their homeroom last Wednesday, March 21. Changes were to be made directly on the verification sheet and handed into Guidance (with or without changes) by end of day last Friday. If your child's verification sheet has not been returned, please have your child hand it in a.s.a.p. <https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/course-selection> #wcicourseselection

## **GRADUATION CLASS NEWS**

The Graduating Class NEWS page of the Guidance website has been updated.

**Grade 12 students are invited to nominate themselves for the Graduation Awards of Excellence.** Details of these awards can be found at the bottom of the Graduating Class NEWS webpage. Nominations are due to Guidance by Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>.

The final Gr. 12 Graduation Preparation Assembly will take place Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, period 2 in the cafeteria. All grade 12 students need to attend.

Please visit <https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/graduation> Follow @WCI Guidance on Twitter for real-time #wcigrad updates.

## **HOW TO DROP A CLASS – GRADE 11 and 12**

The process is easy! Here's how <https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/dropping-a-course> #wcidropacourse

## **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Community involvement opportunities will be tweeted out using #wcigetinvolved. Grade 12 students need to have their 40 hours of community service completed by May 31, 2018 in order to be eligible for graduation. <https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/community-service-hours>



## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR...**

Check the main page of the [Guidance website](#) for an updated list of Guidance related dates and events. Dates and events are tweeted using #wcievent. Follow us @WCI Guidance.

## **Stay in the Loop**

Follow @WCI Guidance on Twitter. Visit the Guidance website regularly for important news, information and announcements. <https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/home>

## **Guidance Appointments**

Need an appointment with your Guidance Counselor?

Here's how to book an appointment:

<https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/>

Follow us on twitter @WCI Guidance or check the website regularly for updates as to when you can begin booking Guidance appointments.



[@WCI Guidance](#)

# INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL - 2019 - ITALY AND GREECE

## Update on the 2019 Japan Trip

We have been informed by the YRDSB that they are unable to approve our trip to Japan due to the distance we would have to travel.

*But since Westmount still loves to travel....*

We would like to introduce our alternate trip to.....



# ITALY & GREECE 2019

## TRIP DATES

May 2<sup>nd</sup> – May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## INFORMATION SESSION

Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018  
7:00pm Library

This trip is for students who will be in Grades 10-12 during the 2018-2019 school year.  
We encourage all interested parents/guardians to attend the meeting.

Questions? Contact [Natasha.Popiel@yrdsb.ca](mailto:Natasha.Popiel@yrdsb.ca)

**Teacher Chaperones:** Mr. Orlowsky, Ms. Polimeni and Ms. Popiel  
**Principal attending:** Ms. Epstein



*Stressed out?*

Join me for a free 5 week

*Mindfulness Workshop*

When: Thursday March 29, April 5, April 12, April 19, April 26  
11:30-12:20

Where: WCI Dance Studio

What to Wear: comfortable layers you can move in



RSVP to Mrs. Burgis  
Period 3 in GUIDANCE

Are you looking for an  
inclusive, accepting,  
and educational club?

**Join GSA!**

Gender Sexuality Alliance

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MEETINGS EVERY FRIDAY

AT 3:20 IN ROOM 112

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Questions? Email [gsawci@gmail.com](mailto:gsawci@gmail.com)

# Why Join GSA?

Learn more about the LGBTQ+ community.

Be apart of a supportive, non judgemental group!

Be apart of interesting and relevant discussions.

LGBTQ+ trivia Kahoots!

All sexual identities are welcome.

Join us in fun events such as **PRIDE** and mural painting.

Get a chance to share your story and learn from others

Questions? Email [gsawci@gmail.com](mailto:gsawci@gmail.com)



# WESTMOUNT APPAREL



Hype Pull-On Hoodie



Black Fitted Mid Profile Cap



Long Sleeve Shirt



Short Sleeve T-Shirts



Black Knit Skull Cap



Hooded Sweatshirt

Please load student card with Mr. Coates for total purchase amount at Bare Necessities, 8:15 and 8:35 and 12:30-12:45 Monday-Friday - then submit order form and make final purchase (with student card) at Bare Necessities with student employee. Please choose sizes carefully. All orders are made to order.

Sizing samples are available at Bare Necessities.



# Westmount Collegiate Institute - Apparel 2017-2018

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Period 2 Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_



## Hype Pull-Over Hoodie

100% Performance Polyester  
Fleece With Full Front  
Decoration

100% Premium Fully  
Embroidered Logo

	S	M	L	XL	2XL
Black					
White					

x \$65.00

Personalization  x \$7.00  
to appear on lower back  
(First Name or Last Name)

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_



## Hooded Sweatshirt

50/50 Cotton/Polyester  
2 Colour Imprint Front Logo

	S	M	L	XL	2XL
Black					
White					

x \$35.00

Personalization  x \$7.00  
to appear on lower back  
(First Name or Last Name)

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_



## Long Sleeve Shirt

100% Cotton  
2 Colour Imprint Front Logo

	S	M	L	XL	2XL
Black					
White					

x \$20.00

Personalization  x \$7.00  
to appear on lower back  
(First Name or Last Name)

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_



## Short Sleeve T-Shirt

100% Cotton  
2 Colour Imprint Front Logo

	S	M	L	XL	2XL
Black					
White					

x \$15.00

Personalization  x \$7.00  
to appear on lower back  
(First Name or Last Name)

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_



## Black Knit Skull Cap

100% Cotton  
Embroidered Front Logo

QTY: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$18.00

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_



## Black Fitted Mid Profile Cap

97/3 Washed Cotton/Spandex Twill  
Embroidered Front Logo

QTY: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20.00

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

**GRAND TOTAL**

Prices include all applicable taxes

Maple High School's School Council would like to invite you to our

## FREE Community Involvement EVENT

# MIND, BODY, AND SOUL

Inspiring Health & Wellness in Our Neighbourhood

On Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> 2018, from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

At Maple High School, 50 Springside Road, Maple ON

### GUEST SPEAKER

Hayden Bendavid, Teacher Liaison supporting Anti-Bullying and Marginalized Communities, from Inclusive Schools and Community Services

This discussion will focus on the stages, symptoms, strategies and resources to support your child with mild to severe anxiety. The discussion will also cover the topic of resiliency and how promoting resiliency leads to better mental health.

### Over 20 booths of health practitioners, educators and vendors participating

- Family Services York Region
- Learning Disability @ York Region
- Life & Family Counseling
- Nature Source
- Heart & Stroke Foundation
- Karamella Designs - *Jewellery*
- Massage Experts Vaughan
- My Tutor Doctor
- Nature Source
- The Right Weigh
- Smith's Pharmacy
- York Region Paramedics & Fire Dept.
- York Region Addiction Services
- .... and many more



### ENJOY HEALTHY FOOD

A light dinner buffet will be served compliments of our Family Studies students & staff.



# Summer Co-operative Education 2018

Information and Application: [bit.ly/SummerCoop2018](http://bit.ly/SummerCoop2018)



**NEW!**

## 1 Credit Summer Co-op

SHSM and Non-SHSM students

Program Dates: July 3 - July 27

Application Deadline: **June 1, 2018**

Interview Dates: June 4 - 15



## SHSM Mackenzie Health 2 Credit Summer Co-op

SHSM H&W and Business Students

Program Dates: May 9 - Aug 3

Application Deadline: **March 23, 2018**

Interviews Dates: April 5 -6

**Required Volunteer Week:  
August 6th-10th**

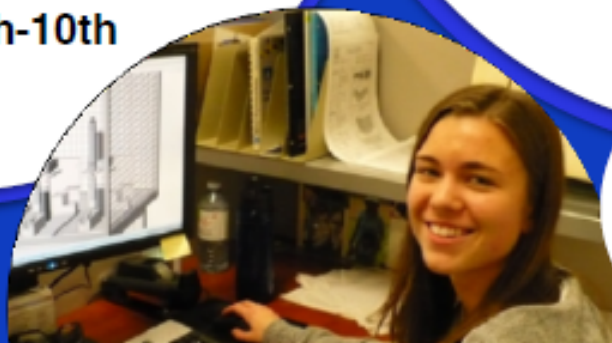
## 2 Credit Summer Co-op

SHSM and Non-SHSM students

Program Dates: May 9th-Aug 3rd

Application Deadline: **March 23, 2018**

Interview Dates: April 9th-20th



# JEWISH FAMILY &CHILD

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For more information or to register please call Shawna Sidney at 416-638-7800 x 6215 or visit our website at [jfundcs.com/groups](http://jfundcs.com/groups)

## groups & workshops

### MARCH 2018

As with all of our programs, registration is required. Our groups and workshops are open to all members of the community regardless of cultural, religious and/or racial background and we offer a sliding scale for those who require fee reductions.

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#### HIGH CONFLICT DIVORCE

A workshop for parents wanting to develop strategies and techniques to deal with a High Conflict situation and help to lessen the impact of that conflict on their children. This workshop is not for individuals in an abusive situation.

Wednesday, March 7, 2018  
7:00pm to 9:00pm  
4600 Bathurst St  
Lipa Green Centre

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#### EFFECTIVE PARENTING

A four session group to help parents learn what they can do to raise a happy, motivated and well behaved child. For parents of children ages 2 to 10 years. Topics include: how to nurture self-esteem; encourage problem solving; increase communication and set appropriate limits and discipline.

Tuesday, March 27, 2018  
7:00pm to 9:00pm  
9600 Bathurst St  
Lebovic Community Campus



# APRIL 2018

Su	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sa
1	2 Easter Monday	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 * OSSLT	11 * Prom / Grad ticket distribution	12	13	14
15	16	17 * Last day of Term 1 * One Match - Swab Drive	18 * First day of Term 2 * Gr 6 & 7 Open House * Part-Time status request OPENS	19 * Relay for Life Assembly	20 * DECA Internationals	21
22	23 * DECA Internationals	24 * DECA Internationals	25 * DECA Internationals * Spirit Day - Snakes & Lattes * Full Disclosure	26 * DECA Internationals	27	28
29	30 * Valeditorian Nomination OPEN					

## **SCHOOL BUS CANCELLATION NOTICE**

**Please remember that if the school buses are cancelled in the morning, then they will NOT operate in the afternoon.** Therefore, if you drive your children to school in the morning, you must also pick them up from school at 3:50 p.m. When buses are cancelled, it does not necessarily mean that schools are closed. Schools usually remain open with a modified program. To find out whether or not the buses are cancelled, please check the following website: [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com) or access the following radio or television stations:

### Radio

CFRB 1010 AM	CHUM 1050 AM	CHUM 104.5	CHIN 1540 AM	NEWS 680 AM
CJEZ 97.3	CKDX 88.5 AM	CHFI 98.1 FM	CHIN 100.7	CBC 99.1 FM
CKFM 99.9 FM	Q107.1 FM			

### Television

CITY TV, CFTO TV, THE WEATHER CHANNEL

A bus cancellation message will also be available at 1-877-330-3001.

