



# Governor Simcoe Secondary School

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## **Simcoe Fest:**

Simcoe Fest will be held on Friday, September 27th (tomorrow) in the afternoon. We will start with a pep rally in the gymnasium period 3 to recognize the fall sports teams, followed by activities outside including our first home football game against Stamford Collegiate at 1:00 pm. We will also have an ice cream truck (see yellow arrow on field below), a BBQ run by staff (see purple arrow below), and games run by Student Council on the west side of the field.



The following will be sold at the BBQ:

Regular burger	\$7
Gluten free burger	\$7
Veggie burger	\$7
Jumbo hotdog	\$5
Pop	\$2
Chips	\$2
Freezies	\$2
Chocolate Bars	\$2



We look forward to an exciting afternoon!

## **National Day of Truth & Reconciliation:**

Monday, September 30th is National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - The message behind this day is Every Child Matters and is an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and communities to honour survivors, families and communities. At DSBN we want to encourage all to take the opportunity to talk, teach and learn about residential schools to ensure that the history and legacy remains a vital component of the reconciliation process.

During Simcoe Fest (tomorrow), there will be a table set up with orange shirts available for students who would like one. We encourage all to wear Orange on Monday. Students can make a donation, but this is not required. The money goes towards supporting activities that keep the school involved in reconciliation awareness. Staff and students are also encouraged to add an orange link to create a large paper chain, which will be on display in the main foyer on Monday. This visual link is to demonstrate that everyone is involved in reconciliation, and that every child matters. Student's name and/or message can be added to the link. On Monday, September 30th, a playlist of Indigenous artists will be playing over the PA before school starts. During lunch, students will be invited to participate in placing the orange-painted rocks in Governor Simcoe's front garden to create a display to commemorate the legacy of residential schools. Rocks that were painted last year will be used, and new rocks will be available for students to create if they wish to participate.

### **Progress Reports and Parent-Teacher Interviews:**

Progress reports will be sent home electronically to student's DSBN emails on October 10th, 2024. Parent-teacher interviews will take place one week later on Thursday, October 17th from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. We will again be utilizing an appointment scheduler for these interviews. More information to follow closer to this date.

Let us know if you have any questions. Have a great evening!

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Principal, Governor Simcoe

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