

Governor Simcoe Secondary School



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Highlights and Updates of our Redcoats' Sports, Clubs and Teams and Student Accomplishments:

Freaky Friday

The virtual Box Office for this year's musical production, "Freaky Friday," still has tickets available! "Freaky Friday the Musical" is a high-energy, heartwarming comedy that brings the beloved story of a mother and daughter who magically swap bodies, to life on stage! Filled with catchy tunes, hilarious moments, and heartfelt lessons, this modern musical explores the chaos and comedy of trying



to walk in someone else's shoes—literally! Don't miss this unforgettable, toe-tapping experience!

Show dates are April 25th, 26th, May 2nd and 3rd at 7pm and April 27th at 2pm. Tickets are \$15 each and can be bought at: https://governor-simcoe-ss.square.site/

Robotics:

Please click on the following link to an article about our Robotics team in "educationnewscanada.com":

DSBN's Robotics Team Heads to Houston for FIRST Robotics World Championship

Midterms:

Midterm report cards will be distributed to students tomorrow, April 23, 2025. A copy will be placed in their OSRs and an electronic copy will be sent home to student's DSBN emails.

Student Vote program

Hello Simcoe community! It is federal election time again! Governor Simcoe will be holding a school wide Student Vote to get our students engaged in our democracy. Our Civics classes are working hard to organize the vote and engage our student population on the parties and issues. You can expect announcements, social media posts and posts on our school website that are created with

the goal to *inform* our students about elections, Canadian democracy, important issues and parties. Although there will be material about each political party, our intention is not to promote any one party, but to inform about all equally so students can engage in our democratic process and make an informed decision.

Our Student Vote will be held on the election day, Monday April 28, during period 2. Classes will come down to the cafeteria and be taken through the voting process. The votes are reported back to the Student Vote organization (studentvote.ca), who will tally all the votes from participating schools across Canada. During the last election in 2021, a total of 809 312 votes were reported from 5,988 schools from all electoral districts in Canada!

Guidance:

- The list of courses your student has selected for the 2025/2026 school year is included with their midterm report card.
- If you would like to make any changes to the courses your student has chosen for next year, please indicate the changes on the form and sign it.
- The form must be returned to the Guidance Office by Friday, May 2nd.
- If you have any questions, please reach out to Cara Stewart in Guidance.

Mental Health & Well-Being - Parent Workshop:

The Mental Health & Well-Being and Special Education Teams are providing a second offering of the parent workshop: "Funding and Supports for Children with Physical and/or Developmental Disabilities." This workshop provides valuable information about funding, supports, resources, and grants available within the community for children aged 0-18 with physical and/or developmental disabilities.

Parents and guardians will gain an understanding of:

- Available services within the community,
- Eligibility criteria for supports,
- The process for accessing these services, and
- Practical tips for connecting with community service providers.

The workshop will take place on Wednesday, April 23rd, 2025, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Please use the following link to register: **Registration Link**

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you,

T. Thompson