School Council Meeting: Monday, May 26, 2025

Chair: Amanda Rappitt
Principal: Teri Thompson
Vice Principal: Leslie Brophy
Structure of meetings - September, November, January, March, May

Student Council & Student Leadership Update

Student Council & SOS (Simcoe Outreach Society):

- Rankin run on Friday Friday May 30: walk, BBQ, games, all money raised stays in Niagara 😊
  - Schoolcashonline - BBQ and T-shirts
- Fun Friday activity for June - water games?
- Finishing Dodgeball Tournament - first week June?

School updates:

- **Final Culminating Activities (FCA) and Exams**

  - See end of this memo - will be sent home to students and families this week
  - Grade 12 period 4 FCA/Exams done on afternoon of June 18th in order to finalize grades in time for graduation

- **Graduation:**

  - Is scheduled for Wednesday, June 25th at 6:00 pm. Bethany Community Center.

  - Students will receive much of their information on Wednesday, June 11th period 1 in the cafeteria such as:

    - Grad gowns and caps
    - Tickets for grad
    - Information sheet for important tips for graduation
    - Valedictorian speeches & vote

- **EQAO:**

  - Thursday, June 12th and Friday, June 13th, grade 9 students in math classes this semester will write their EQAO grade 9 Mathematics assessment. Emails have gone home to students and their families in these classes.

- **As artificial intelligence (AI)** becomes increasingly prominent in education, the DSBN is committed to ensuring that its use enhances learning while maintaining high standards of integrity, equity, and privacy. AI tools can support educators in personalizing instruction, addressing diverse student needs, and analyzing data to better inform teaching practices.

  At the same time, we recognize the need to approach AI thoughtfully. Issues such as data privacy, academic integrity, and ethical use require careful consideration.

  To this end, we have formed a Secondary AI Committee made up of system administrators, secondary school administrators, teachers, and data experts. Together, we are developing board-wide guidelines to support responsible and effective AI integration.

  Our guidelines will focus on the following key areas: Pedagogical and instructional integration, Academic integrity, Data privacy, Ethical, equitable use and accessibility

  We value the input of our entire school community. Alongside staff and student surveys, we are gathering feedback from parents/guardians to help shape our direction. Please use the link below to provide your feedback.

  Parent Artificial Intelligence In Secondary [Feedback Form](#)

- **Dental Screening Program:**
  - June 3rd - message to all students & families this week

- **Staff Learning and Professional Development**
  - Literacy across the curriculum
  - Equity & Inclusivity
  - Assessment practices - Department Improvement Goals

- **School Council Meetings (feedback)**:
  - Include major agenda items when sending out school council invites to meetings
  - Use "Parent Council" so that parents/guardians know that "School Council" is actually for parents/guardians.
  - Describe what school council is in each email that is sent home inviting parents/guardians to attend.
  - Keep structure the same - information clear, like student council updates and what the staff is doing in regards to staff development (and links to school goals)
  - Like that they can provide feedback and ask questions whenever necessary.

Questions

- **Next Meeting: Social? Monday, June 16th, 5:00pm at Kelsey's or Jack Astors…**

2024/2025 - Semester 2 - Exam/FCA Schedule

Monday June 16	Tuesday June 17	Wednesday June 18		Thursday June 19	Friday June 20
Regularly scheduled classes and bell-times.		Period 1: 8:10 - 9:00		**Period 1** Grades 9 - 12 FCA/Exam Day	**Period 2** Grades 9 - 12 FCA/Exam Day
		Period 2: 9:10 - 10:00			
		Period 3: 10:05 - 10:55			
		Lunch: 10:55 - 11:35			
		Period 4 Gd 9-11 Class 11:35 - 2:10	**Period 4 Gd 12** FCA/Exam 11:35 - 2:10	**8:30 Start** 'length of exam will vary depending upon course/grade'	**8:30 Start** 'length of exam will vary depending upon course/grade'

Monday June 23	Tuesday June 24	Wednesday June 25	Thursday June 26	Friday June 27
Period 3 Grades 9 - 12 FCA/Exam Day	**Period 4** Grades 9 - 11 FCA/Exam Day	**Grade 12 Graduation**	**PD Day**	**PD Day**
8:30 Start 'length of exam will vary depending upon course/grade'	**8:30 Start** 'length of exam will vary depending upon course/grade'			