

School Council Minutes

Monday, April 3, 2023

Attendance - in person Beth Woof (principal) Roxane Dunmore

Attendance - virtual Natalia Bouressa Jen Haverty Thomas Lin Benjamin ? Colleen Kaus Katrin Con...

Land Acknowledgement

Waterfront Trust - Pier 8 - artist Angela DeMontigny - installing 40'high x 11' wide panels made from beads (glass beads made in Dundas - Paul Rodrigue - glass blower)

Being installed in June - art students from Ancaster High spending 2 weeks with install - will be learning first hand about land acknowledgement

Starting next week, art classes going on field trips to art gallery, Colbalt Works and eventually Pier 8

Student Council Report

Making an outdoor dance/concert for all students - no capacity limit

Prom coming up

Planning one more Spirit Week

Teacher Report - None provided

Principal Report

<u>IB Update</u> - Ancaster has small cohort. Trustees have recommended continuing 2 IB programs and will continue to review. They may decide to fold the Ancaster IB program at a future date.

Thomas Lin - is the 2023-24 student trustee for the school board. Congratulations!!

<u>Grade 9/10 tech course</u> - all students must have a grade 9 or grade 10 tech course in order to graduate. This affects all incoming grade 8 students. It will likely affect students currently in grade 9. Grade 9 offers an intro to tech. Grade 10 has more specialized tech courses. Hopefully more information is forthcoming from the provincial government on how they expect to roll this out. Stay tuned for more information.

<u>School Calendar</u> - can be reviewed at https://ca.research.net/r/calendar_202324 Check out the link and give feedback on the 2023-24 calendar

<u>Summer School</u> - registration will open soon. Will likely run online - if enough students sign up for in person, it will be offered in person. Don't take university english/math in summer school. Universities weigh summer school differently.

Yearbook - \$35 - buy online https://yppay.lifetouch.ca Our school code is 14532723

<u>Communications</u> - administration is trying to think like teenagers. Teens use apps and social media. Many announcements are sent through Instagram. Most of the info sent from school is targeted to the students, not parents. School board has told high schools not to bombard people with emails. \$500 Parent Grant - to be discussed at next meeting (Monday, May 15) - bring your ideas

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