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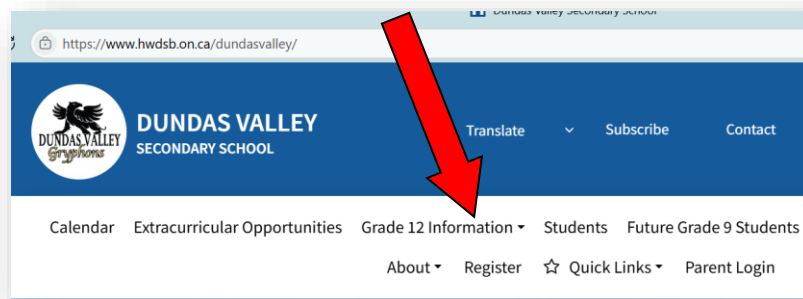
Good afternoon Dundas Valley Parents and Guardians of Grade 12 Students!

This is a very exciting year, and the Guidance Department is ready to support your students!

THE WEEKLY LETTER

To help students stay on top of opportunities and deadlines, Ms. Warren will be emailing a “Grade 12 Weekly Letter” each Monday. This letter will contain upcoming events like University and College visits, and important information regarding deadlines and scholarship opportunities.

You will find the first letter (sent Monday September 8th) attached to this email. If you would like to access the weekly letter moving forward, it will be posted each week to the Dundas Valley website under “**GRADE 12 INFORMATION**”.



This week's letter has a list of useful websites containing information about apprenticeships, colleges, universities, and scholarships.

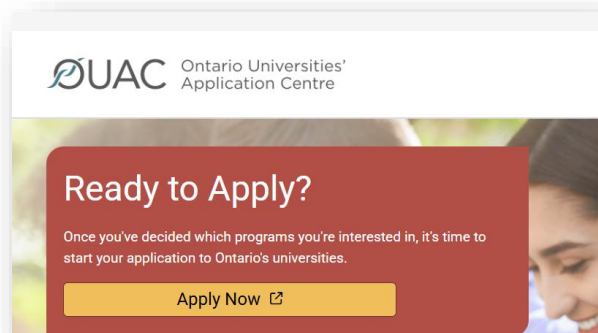
APPLYING TO COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY THIS YEAR?

If your student is interested in applying to college, they will need to make an account on the college application website:



[The Application Service for Ontario's Public Colleges | ontariocolleges.ca](https://ontariocolleges.ca)

The deadline to apply for equal consideration is **FEBRUARY 1, 2026**. If they are applying to a competitive program, they should consider applying earlier (October – November).



If your student is interested in applying to university, they will need to make an account on the university application website:

[Ontario Universities' Application Centre](https://ouac.on.ca)

The deadline to apply to university is **January 15, 2026**. Some universities may still accept applications after that date. Students can complete their applications earlier, and some universities do make offers as early as December.

GRADE 12 PRESENTATION: MONDAY SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2025

We will be presenting to all grade 12 students on Monday September 29th, 2025. That presentation -- which will cover where to research post-secondary programs and important dates -- will also be posted on the DVSS website under “**GRADE 12 INFORMATION**”.

GRADE 12 PARENT/GUARDIAN PRESENTATION: THURSDAY OCTOBER 30TH, 2025 AT THE END OF FAMILY/TEACHER INTERVIEWS:

We will also be re-presenting the grade 12 presentation to any grade 12 parents/guardians who would like to see it on Thursday October 30th, 2025, at 6:30 PM in the Library/Learning Commons.

GRADE 12 STUDENT INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS

Guidance counsellors will be meeting with each grade 12 student over the next four weeks to talk about graduation requirements and to help students make their plan for post-secondary. Feel free to jot down questions you might have for your student to bring to the meeting... we love it when students come with questions!

SAVE THE DATE!

Commencement is for all grade 12 students regardless of whether they are graduating this year or not. The Dundas Valley Commencement will be on Wednesday June 24th, 2026, at the Hamilton Convention Centre.

Looking forward to a wonderful year!

The Dundas Valley Guidance Department