



Glendale Secondary School

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Greetings Parents/Guardian and Students:

On behalf of all of us at Glendale Secondary School, I would like to welcome you back to Glendale for the 2017-2018 academic school year. As you are aware Ms. Cook retired this past year and I am privileged to be the Principal of Glendale for the upcoming school year. Mrs. Nicolaides, who was one of our Vice-Principals last year, has been promoted and will be Principal at Saltfleet District High School in September. We wish her all the best! I would like to welcome Ms. Nieuwenhuis who will be working with us at Glendale this year. Ms. Nieuwenhuis is a strong advocate for students and works to create a caring school community. Mr. Harris and I are looking forward to working with Ms. Nieuwenhuis this coming school year.

Our first day of school for the 2017-2018 academic school year begins on Tuesday September 5th. You will have the opportunity to pick up your timetable at Glendale on August 24th and August 25th from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. If you have timetable concerns, please contact the Guidance Office during the first week of school. Please attend your classes as per your schedule until you have seen a Guidance Counsellor.

Textbooks Owing: If you have books owing, please bring your textbook/s or replacement cost with you when you pick up your timetable. Your timetable will be handed out, once you have either returned the textbook/s or submitted the funds to replace the textbook.

Current Health and Emergency Information: Please be sure and let us know of any health concerns or special needs of which we should be aware. We also need to be kept informed of changes in address, phone numbers (home, work, cell), and emergency contacts as changes happen throughout the year. A copy of your sons/daughters Information Verification Form will be given out with their timetable. Please make any revisions and have this form returned to the school on Tuesday September 5th. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Important Dates:

October 12
October 17
November 1
November 23

Interim Report Cards Carried Home
Parent's Night 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Take Your Kids to Work Day
Mid-Semester Report Cards Carried Home

Glendale's Policies and Procedures: There are many policies both Board and Ministry that govern the operation of a secondary school. Glendale's policies and procedures will be available on our website prior to the start of our school year. These policies and procedures will also be reviewed and explained to each student at our assemblies during the first week of school.

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Your Possessions and Personal Belongings: At Glendale we work to create a respectful community of individuals. As we are a large school, we request that you do not bring your valuables to school.

We are aligned to the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board's strategic direction to support all of our student's well-being and to support high academic achievement for all students. Our goal is to have all grade 10 students earn eight credits during their second year of secondary school. Regular attendance at school and getting involved in all aspects of school life will help support reaching this goal.

If you are moving into the senior grades we will work with you to support, not only earning credits, but also opportunities to explore all options you have available after you graduate from secondary school. Together we will help you reach your goals!

If you have any questions or concerns around the upcoming school year, please don't hesitate to give us a call at Glendale. School Administration will be in the school during the last week of August. We also post all information related to our school on our website. Glendale's website is:
<http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/glendale>.

We will also communicate through a telephone messaging system called Synervoice. Our goal is to keep you informed of all activities and events occurring at Glendale.

Our first **School Council Meeting** is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 12th, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Learning Commons at Glendale. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

On behalf of all of us at Glendale, we hope you have an enjoyable few weeks prior to the start of a great school year. See you on September 5th!

Sincerely,

Mr. B. Lennox
Principal