



Glendale Secondary School

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GRADE 9 Welcome to Glendale Secondary School!

August 14th, 2018

Greetings Parents/Guardians and Students:

On behalf of all of us at Glendale School I would like to welcome you to our Glendale community. Graduating from grade eight is indeed a milestone and we at Glendale are ready to welcome all of our grade nine students as they begin their first semester of secondary school!

As we prepare for the upcoming year, we would like to invite all of our grade nine students to come and pick up their timetables prior to the first day of school which is Tuesday September 4th. You are invited to come to our main office to pick up your timetable on either Monday August 27th, Tuesday August 28th or Wednesday August 29th from 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon. If you are unable to make it in during these times you can also pick up your timetable beginning at 8:00 a.m. in our Cafeteria on the first day of school.

As part of your first year at Glendale Secondary School all grade nine students will be involved with some of our senior students who are involved in our Bear Traxx Program. These students will support your successful transition to secondary school throughout your entire school year.

Our first day of school for the 2018 -2019 academic school year begins on Tuesday September 4th. Classes begin at 8:30 a.m. and we are asking students to report to their period one class and we will then follow our regular day schedule. Below is our regular day schedule.

Glendale's Timetable:

GLENDALE SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Period 1	8:30 am to 9:45 am
<i>Break</i>	<i>9:45 am to 9:55 am</i>
Period 2	9:55 am to 11:10 am
<i>Lunch</i>	<i>11:10 am to 12:10 pm</i>
Period 3	12:10 pm to 1:25 pm
<i>Break</i>	<i>1:25 pm to 1:35 pm</i>
Period 4	1:35 pm to 2:50 pm

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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 these change. A copy of your sons/daughters Information Verification Form is included with this letter. **Please make any revisions and have this form returned to the main office by September 7th. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.**

Information Regarding Grade 9 Health and Physical Education

At this time Ms. Jeffrey and Mr. Morgan would like to welcome you to Glendale and provide a little information which might be of some use for your son/daughter as they enter high school. Health and physical education at the secondary level is a mandatory credit for all Grade Nine students and, as such, students must participate on a daily basis during the course. We ask that students come to class prepared for physical activity, and for the weather, as we will be outside at various times, even when the weather is less than ideal. Students must wear shorts or track pants and a T-shirt or sweatshirt as well as running shoes for class. We will be offering GLENDALE PHYS. ED. T-shirts this year at a very reasonable cost of \$10.00 each. The shirts come in white, black and grey. This is not mandatory, but we would encourage you to purchase at least one, as we very often see students who do not want to ruin their more expensive brand name shirts. It also helps if you have two, as you can wash one and have the other available for use. **We recommend that personal valuables be kept at home. No valuables should be left in the gym locker rooms during class.** Should you have any questions regarding this or any other issue regarding your son's/daughter's physical education classes, please feel free to contact one of us in late August or early September at the school (905) 560-7343.

We are very excited about all of our new athletes that will be attending Glendale. The following opportunities will be available for you to try out for one of our many teams. The fall sports include:

Grade 9 Boys Touch Football, Grade 9 Girls Varsity Touch Football, Grade 9 Boys Soccer, Grade 9 Girls Soccer, Girls Varsity Field Hockey, Junior Girls Volleyball, Junior Boys Volleyball and Glendale's Tennis Team.

Important Dates during the first half of the semester:

Tuesday, September 4th Classes begin at 8:30 a.m.

Thursday, September 6th Grade 9 Welcome to Glendale Assembly Period 2.

Thursday, September 13th Photo Day for Student Cards.

Thursday, September 27th Terry Fox Run at Glendale.

Also during the month of September Glendale will hold its Student Council Elections.

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 during our assemblies during the first week of school.

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 our valuables to school.

At Glendale 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 9 students earn eight credits during their first year of secondary school. Regular attendance at school and getting involved in all aspects of school life will help support reaching this goal.

Our first School Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 11th, at 7:00 p.m. The location of this meeting will be posted on the website during the first week of school. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

If you have any questions or concerns around the upcoming school year, please don't hesitate to give us a call at Glendale. Guidance Counsellors and 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 School Messenger. Our goal is to keep you informed of all activities and events occurring at Glendale.

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. We look forward to seeing all grade 9 students as they come in to pick up their timetables during the last week of August or on the first day of school!

Sincerely,

Mr. B. Lennox

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Principal.

Include: Consent to Photograph, Information Verification Form