



# Westdale Secondary School

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Dear Westdale Families,

As we conclude another successful school year, we would like to express our sincere gratitude for your unwavering support and active involvement. Your dedication has been instrumental in fostering a vibrant and nurturing environment for our students.

I would like to thank our School Council members for their efforts and dedication. This year, members of School Council included Co-Chairs, Catherine Roberts and Claire Rivlin, as well as our 15 voting members: Cindy S., Kristi G., Anita B., Nicole C., Louai M., Jan S., Rachael S., Camille B., Shannon B., Wendy H., Danielle S., Jerome G., Van H., Godfrey Z.R., and Gisela R.

Throughout the year, we have achieved numerous milestones and embarked on exciting initiatives, including our Parent Reaching Out (PRO) Grant event in April, featuring a presentation on Adolescent Mental Health by Dr. Jean Clinton. These initiatives have been made possible by your participation and enthusiasm. Our Westdale School Council continues to lead advocacy efforts for later bell times, across the district, in the interest of student well-being and has advocated for improvements to the Westdale facility to make it more safe and welcoming for students, staff, and the community. Additionally, our School Council has supported access for nutritious meals, for our students here at Westdale, and for our neighbours in the greater Hamilton community.

We are pleased to report that our school council meetings have been a cornerstone of our collaborative efforts. These meetings have provided a platform for sharing ideas, discussing important matters, and planning for the future. Your insights and perspectives have greatly influenced our decisions and helped shape the direction of our school.

As we look forward to the next academic year, we encourage you to continue your active involvement. Your presence at our school council meetings is crucial, and we warmly invite you to join us in these gatherings. Together, we can continue to create a nurturing and inspiring environment for our students. Our first School Council meeting and election for the 2025-26 school year will be held on Tuesday September 30<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, in the Library/Learning Commons. Additional information and school council nomination forms will be shared via our Summer Newsletter in August.

Thank you once again for your support and commitment. We wish you a restful and enjoyable summer break.

Sincerely,

Brian Goodram  
Principal