Grade 12 Newsletter

September 22, 2025

Weekly Calendar





Monday Sept. 22	Brock U Period 3
Tuesday Sept. 23	U of Ottawa Period 3
Wednesday Sept. 24	
Thursday, Sept. 25	Student and Family Presentation: Applying for College and University— Westdale Auditorium 6pm
Friday Sept. 26	
Upcoming:	Sept 27-28: Ontario University Fair Sept 29: TMU; Sept 30: U of T; Oct 2: How to Apply to University via OUAC

Upcoming Opportunities



Grad Photos

Students can now book grad photos at bookmygrad.ca. Grad Photo sittings are available at Westdale from November 24 to December 12. The code to book grad photos is "WHS".

Information For You

1) Apprenticeship Information Night Postponed; Careers Fair in November

The HWDSB Apprenticeship Information Night originally scheduled for Wednesday, September 24, has been post-poned. This event will now take place in the spring. However, the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training, and Skills Development will be holding a Careers Fair on November 5 at the Ancaster Fair Grounds.

2) OUAC Application for Universities Open

Applications for Ontario Universities via OUAC are now open. We encourage students to attend the lunchtime session on **How to apply to university via OUAC** on **Thursday, October 2** before applying.

3) Scholarships at the University of Toronto

If you plan to apply to the University of Toronto and are interested in major scholarships offered by the university, please see information posted on the Guidance Hub course regarding the U of T National Scholarship. The Lester B. Pearson Award, and the new Wolf Scholarship. Deadlines to apply are included in the Hub posting.

4) Scholarship Report

The first edition of this year's scholarship report is now posted in the Guidance Hub course. This is a great resource for students interested in pursuing scholarships!

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5) Ontario Universities Fair

The Ontario Universities Fair takes place September 27-28 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. The fair will include representation from all universities in Ontario. This is a great opportunity for students to explore a variety of university options and connect with university liaison officers and faculty.

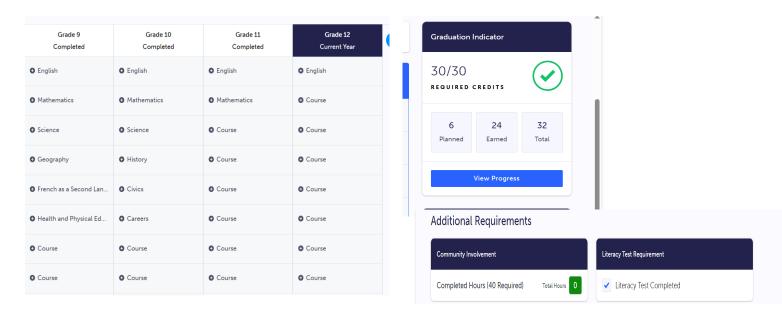
6) Researching Post-Secondary Options

Please see the <u>Post-Secondary presentation</u> conducted by Westdale Guidance on September 12, 2025. The presentation includes graduation reminders and introductions to researching post-secondary goals in all pathways.

My Blueprint

You have access to the myBlueprint platform to support your future planning. You can access My Blueprint through your HWDSB homepage where you go to sign into The Hub or Outlook. Here are some tools My Blueprint has available to help track your progress to graduation and support post-secondary research

- 1) Check your graduation status:
- Using the menu tab on the top left, go to High School
- Your high school planner will appear, including all completed courses and all planned courses.
- ⇒ Check to ensure you have a plan to complete all credits required for graduation.
- ⇒ Check to ensure you are taking courses required for post-secondary admissions. If you plan to apply to university, you need 6 credits with a 4U or 4M course code, including ENG4U.
- ⇒ At the side of the screen, you can view a more detailed breakdown of your graduation progress. Click on the link to see more.
- ⇒ At the bottom of the screen, you can view whether your community involvement hours AND your literacy requirement are recorded as complete.



2) Explore Pathways

At the side of the screen, you can see the number of post-secondary programs you are eligible for based on courses you have completed and courses you are planning to take.

- ⇒ By clicking on one of the numbers, you can see the specific programs or opportunities for which you are eligible;
- ⇒ Filter the programs by program type or by school to narrow down the programs you are most interested in researching

My Blueprint will update your data from our student information system every 24 hours. For example, if you make a course change for Semester 2 today, My Blueprint will see the new course you plan to take tomorrow.



3) Who Am I?

In the **Who Am I?** section, **My Blueprint** includes surveys for interests, personality, learning styles, knowledge, and motivations. These surveys may support direction for course planning and post-secondary planning.

4) Post-secondary Research

Use the My Blueprint research tools to <u>plan forward or backward</u> from secondary school to career destination.

See your Guidance counsellor if you have questions about how My Blueprint can help you!