

BROOKLIN HIGH SCHOOL

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School Community Council

Tuesday February 6, 2024

6:00 pm

Google Meet

1. Welcome and Land Acknowledgment

J. MacKenzie

Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands

The Durham District School Board acknowledges that many Indigenous Nations have long standing relationships, both historic and modern, with the territories upon which our school board and schools are located. Today, this area is home to many Indigenous peoples from across Turtle Island. We acknowledge that the Durham Region forms a part of the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, the Mississauga Peoples and the treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation. It is on these ancestral and treaty lands that we teach, learn and live.

Indigenous Inherent Rights:

The Durham District School Board recognizes Indigenous rights are distinct. In the exercise of those rights, Indigenous staff and students shall not be subjected to actions with the aim or effect of depriving these distinct rights.

Human Rights and Equity Statement:

The Durham District School Board is committed to learning and working environments that centre human rights and equity, and are **safe**, welcoming, respectful, equitable, **accessible**, inclusive, and free from discrimination

2. Welcome and Introductions

K. Hobin/C.Savage

3. Student Parliament Update

Rachel Bureau

a. Slideshow shared with the online discussion group.

b. Since we last spoke

i. Denim Day on Nov. 30th - fun and silly spirit day

ii. Holiday Week - daily events leading up to the winter break: ugly sweater, comfy day, door decorating, winter wear day. There were cookie sales & Cafeteria games too. Baldwin the Bear photos as well!

iii. Festival of Lights - Gr. 12 Business Class fundraiser - very popular and fun for the public - also raising 9000\$ for Relay for Life.

c. Student council update :

d. There is an upcoming semi-formal on Feb. 15th (all grades).

i. Some Valentine's Day ideas including an escape room and notes on lockers to increase positivity and love throughout the school.

ii. IFTAR dinner will be helping to lead this event on April 4th.

e. Other highlights

i. Bell Let's Talk Day - re: mental health awareness

ii. Play On - school play was awesome! (Look for a spring production!)

iii. Badminton tryouts

- iv. Senior girls volleyball winning tournament in Uxbridge.
- v. Both boys and girls hockey won a Peterborough tournament last month.

4. Update From Guidance

N. Morgan-Cook

1. **Course Selection Presentations** – happening in classes February 7
2. **Grade 12 Exit Presentation** - happening in classes February 7
3. **Grade 8 Parent Night** – February 8th, virtual at 7:00 pm
4. **Grade 9 + 10 Parent Night** – February 12th, virtual
https://ddsb.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WCe6s72RSyihkLqN2ZTQNO
5. **Course Selection** opens up for submission in myBlueprint February 13th – March 6th
6. **Summer School** registration also opens up on February 13th in myBlueprint. There are 2 options – online (asynchronous model of learning, July and August) or in person at Sinclair Secondary school (July only).
7. We are going to be running a **very small credit recovery program** at Brooklin High School for select subjects that are not available to recover in regular summer school but those students will be invited by their Guidance Counselor.

Also of importance from Guidance:

- If your child is choosing to reach ahead in a compulsory course at summer school they need to put a different course in its place in myBlueprint AND leave a note in the comment box about what they are taking in summer school (this will allow them to submit their planner without the compulsory course).
- **Every** tech course in grade **10 – 12** has an enrollment limit due to teacher availability, classroom space and programming constraints. If your child gets a message saying the course is no longer available to select, have them choose a different course and put the tech course as an alternate.
- Timetable changes are happening this week in guidance. Your child does not book an appointment, they are to fill in the google form that is available on their Guidance Counsellor's google classroom.
- Appointments will open up for booking on February 12th.

Side note: School Bear Wear and Grad Wear store is open again! <https://shop.vintageapparelco.com/> School clothing and grad wear will be available to order starting February 7 – 21st. This is your last chance to order Grad Wear for the 2024 graduating class.

Graduation Information:

- Grad Fees are due on School Cash Online by May 1st.
- Volunteer Hours are due on May 1st
- June 27th at Iroquois Park Sports Complex
- eLearning opt out forms - due asap in guidance

Prom

- <https://sites.google.com/ddsb.ca/bhs-prom-2024/home>



Prom Information for BHS Parents



All info for the 2024 BHS Prom is on the **BHS Prom 2024 Website** (link is on the BHS Website): <https://sites.google.com/ddsb.ca/bhs-prom-2024/home>

Sponsors - please use our sponsors when students are needing limos, hair/nails, flowers & attire <https://brooklinhs.ddsb.ca/en/resourcesGeneral/Documents/BHS-2024-prom-sponsors-for-social-media.pdf>

March 1, 2024	BHS student tickets go on sale, forms available for students & guests through Prom website
March 28, 2024	deadline for ALL forms (student & guest) & BHS student ticket sales close on School Cash Online
April 3, 2024	approved guests - tickets SCO available (Guest approval is explained on the prom website)
April 15, 2024	guest ticket sales close on School Cash Online



5. Principal's Report

J. MacKenzie

- i. BHS is hosting OFSAA Hockey - more to be posted.
- ii. Two more weeks of basketball
- iii. Swimming is well under way!
- iv. Curling is well under way!
- v. Fitness Clubs are always FULL!
- vi. Intramurals
- vi. Jazz band
- vii. Very successful PLAY! "Play On"
- viii. DECA is going to provincials this weekend!
- ix. Realty for life coming this spring!
- x. Upcoming DANCE!
- xi. PLP classes doing many community trips re: financial acumen and behaviour as well as arts (ornament making for Christmas, and Phys. Ed. classes are always well enjoyed!
- xii. DDSB is offering a presentation on "parenting in the age of social media" tomorrow.
- xiii. Due to the upcoming solar eclipse the PA Day has been changed.
- xiv. WE are still growing as a school - we have stable staff and numbers, and there are some growing pains - due to course choices, and new ministry demands re: tech credits, online credits, etc.

6. Literacy Updates -OSSLT

J. Demaray

- o Fall EQAO results are out, all students have been informed of their results. Those unsuccessful (around 50 at our school).
- o April 18th, 19th.

7. Report Cards/ Mark Reporting

J. Demaray

- o Feb. 14th - report cards will be accessible.
- o March 19th - Progress Reports
- o March 21st - Parent and Guardian Interviews (more info coming soon re: signup for appointments.)

- April 16th and 17th - half credit courses turnover/switch

- 8. Positive School Climate Update J. Demaray
 - Random acts of kindness “I caught you doing something good!” campaign.
 - Bears Breakfast - carrying on to support the need for hungry students.

- 9. Graduation Retakes J. Demaray
 - Information has been passed on via HRM teachers and Guidance Counselors.

- 10. Other Business K. Hobin/C.Savage

- 11. Adjournment K. Hobin/C.Savage

Reminder: The next virtual meeting is scheduled for Tuesday April 2, 2023 at 6:00 pm