

BROOKLIN HIGH SCHOOL

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School Community Council - Minutes

Tuesday September 24, 2024

6:00 pm **via**

Google Meet

- Introductions J. MacKenzie
 - Brief intro of all present.
 - 3 admin, 2 teachers, 2 students and 9 parents (chair included)
 - no treasurer required - since no fundraising
 - J. Beggs takes on secretary duties, as he posts to the school website
- Elections J. MacKenzie
 - Voted in my acclimation - SCC Chair
 - Kim Hoben voted in as chair, but welcomes others to help
- Constitution J. MacKenzie
 - Reviewed
- Administration Introductions and Portfolios J. MacKenzie
 - See above
- Student Parliament Update R. Bureau
 - R. Bureau, Student Parliament teacher liaison - explained how students will share a brief presentation on what has been going on, upcoming and ongoing in terms of school events.
 - Maria & Maddie - SCC executive members shared a brief presentation re:
 - First exec meeting held today at school and welcomed new members
 - 106 members interested in the student council...and will be starting next week with a general council meeting
 - First spirit day - Leafs Blue/White Day on Thursday, Oct 3rd - wearing jerseys or blue&white for this year's home opener - Caf will host trivia at lunch.
 - Other clubs at BHS - GSA, Rugby ASL Club , BHS games club, yoga, fitness, Taylor Swift, field hockey, Eco-club...Drama Productions, all kinds of stuff!
 - Gr. 9 Day had a very successful Club Fair!
 - Lot's more to come this fall.
- Principal's Report J. MacKenzie
 - BHS is growing - many more new hires and Long Term Occasional Teachers (Business, History, English, Math, French, Geo, Tech, Science) as our population rises above 1400 students.
 - Clubs are important - students are strongly encouraged to join!
 - Many sports are going on - rugby, basketball, football, volleyball, field hockey....and much more!
 - Upcoming buy-in on Thursday, Sep 26th - as a Terry Fox fundraiser!
 - Friday, Oct. 11th - race and fundraiser period 4.

- Many former Bears playing sports at university, national, international level - LAX
 - Yearbooks are ONLY on sale FIRST SEMESTER! (open now until January 28th, 2025)
 - Prom June 5th (see more dates at bottom of this page.)
 - Brooklin Holiday Market Dec 7-8 (in lieu of Festival of Lights) - reach out to Mrs. Dean who is organizing it with their Leadership class.
 - PLP (Practical Learning Program) has changed slightly - a Food Skill teacher has been brought in to change it up - building numeracy and literacy skills via home skills. (As a class, they will participate in the Merry Market as well.)
 - Fashion - Niagra on the Lake - tour of the costume studio and viewing a play upcoming in November. Reach out to Ms. Hodowanski for more information.
- Literacy Updates F. Aziz
 - Nov. 13-14 OSSLT will be run
 - Oct 15 - Nov. 7 on Tuesdays after School Literacy Program offered to help Prep for the OSSLT (note student attendance must be consistent/regular).
 - See your English teacher or the main office for information
- Emergency Procedures F. Aziz
 - One successful fire drill already.
 - A lockdown drill is upcoming.
 - An extreme weather emergency plan - a new drill for us. It involves getting the entire student population onto the first floor of the school and away from windows and open areas - essentially classes will be doubled up - and added to some safe hallways on the building's interior. *Question re: locked doors. Response: Our BHS doors are unlocked during the day.
- Mark Reporting and Parent Teacher Interviews J. Demaray
 - Progress reports coming home (paper copy) on Oct. 10th. It is a snapshot of the first 6 weeks of your student's performance
 - Oct 17th - Parent teacher interviews 5-7PM (five minute interviews.) Messaging forthcoming re: access to Parent Teacher Interview booking software. Parents can ALWAYS reach out to their students' teacher for a meeting/call/email at any point of the school year to discuss progress, if they cannot book sufficient time at PT interviews.
- Positive School Climate Update J. Demaray
 - B-Kind Bear of the month - rewarding students for random acts of kindness.
- January Exams J. Demaray
 - **Semester 1 Exams Jan 22-28 , Jan 29 Credit Recovery, and Jan 30 Sem 2 begins. These dates are shared well in advance to ensure that vacations are NOT PLANNED for those important academic dates.**
- Breakfast club J. Demaray
 - Room 106 - food is available for students on Tuesdays and Thursdays - it encourages our Bears to have a healthy breakfast. BHS asks the community for fundraising via School Cash Online should parents be willing or able to donate.
- Guidance Updates
 - Sept 19th was our Grade 12 Post-Secondary Planning Presentation. A hyperlink version of the presentation is posted on Mr. Knowles' google classroom, the school website and was emailed out to all grade 12 Parents on School Messenger last week.

***Grad apparel store will close Oct. 4th, 2024.**

Upcoming events:



Brooklin High School Grade 12: Important Dates 2024 - 2025

1. **Grade 12 Parent Night** Sept 19th, 2024
 - Virtual - registration required, recorded presentation posted on website and google classroom
2. **BHS College Fair** Oct 2nd, 2024
3. **BHS University Fair** Oct 9th, 2024
4. **Grad Photos** Nov 25th - Dec 6th Retakes in February
 - Details will be communicated through Remind & Google Classroom
5. **University Application OUAC Deadline** January 15th, 2025
 - Apply on www.ouac.on.ca as early as September
 - No PIN required to apply, only your OEN
6. **College Application OCAS Deadline** February 1st, 2025
 - Apply on www.ontariocolleges.ca starting October 1st
 - No PIN required to apply, only your OEN
8. **Community Service Hours (40 total)** Due by May 1st, 2025
 - Will not be able to purchase a Prom ticket until Community Service Hours are handed in
 - Students will upload the Community Involvement Hours Log Sheet to my Google Classroom
9. **Grad Fees** Due by May 1st, 2025
 - Purchased on School Cash Online ONLY
 - Grad related fees, grad composite, grad gown
10. **Prom Ticket Sales** TBD
 - Purchased on School Cash Online ONLY
 - Grad Fees and volunteer hours completed before purchase of prom ticket
11. **Valedictorian Nominations** April 28 - May 2nd, 2025
 - Nomination Google Form sent out via Grade 12 Guidance Remind and GC & Social Media
12. **Valedictorian Voting (two rounds of voting)** May 5th - May 9th, 2025
 - Voting online through a link on google classroom and Remind
13. **Prom** June 5th, 2025
 - DeerCreek Golf Course
14. **Graduation** June 26th, 2025
 - All graduation requirements must be met in order to graduate (30 credits, 40 Volunteer Hours, and TWO eLearning asynchronous credit OR the opt out form signed and returned to guidance)
 - <https://www.ddsb.ca/en/programs-and-learning/online-learning-graduation-requirements.aspx#Opting-Out-of-the-eLearning-Graduation-Requirement>

Brooklin High School Grade 12 Important Dates

BHS COLLEGE FAIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ All grade 11s and 12s invited ❖ 7:45 am - 10:15 am BHS Library 	OCT 2ND
TORONTO COLLEGE FAIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ https://ontariocollegefair.ca/ ❖ Enercare Centre - Hall B, Exhibition Place, Toronto 	OCT 16TH + 17TH
TORONTO UNIVERSITY FAIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ https://www.ouevents.ca/ ❖ Metro Toronto Convention Centre 	OCT 5TH + 6TH
BHS UNIVERSITY FAIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ All grade 11s and 12s invited ❖ 7:45 am - 10:15 am BHS Cafeteria 	OCT 9TH

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October 22nd to 24th

Tribute Communities Centre

99 Athol St E,
Oshawa, ON
L1H 1J8

Evening Open House
3 p.m. - 7:20 p.m.

Connect with our youth

Join our lineup of 2024 Level Up! exhibitors to help our youth realize their potential and discover rewarding opportunities in the skilled trades.

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Bear Wear (staff, students and grads!) - store closes October 4th

<https://shop.vintageapparelco.com/>

- Other
- Adjournment and Action Items



Life Beyond High School Event

Have you wondered about resources available for students with special education needs?

Let us assist in connecting you with programs, supports and services across the Durham Region.

Wednesday, October 23, 2024 • 6:00 - 8:30pm

Durham District School Board Education Centre 400 Taunton Rd. E. Whitby, ON

Meet and greet with community agencies such as
Developmental Services Ontario, Ontario Disability Support Program,
Canopy Support Services and more!



For more information, please contact:
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PRESENTED BY:
Transition Coordinators, Superintendent & System Leads—
Inclusive Student Services



Next Meeting:
Tuesday November 5, 2024, 6:00 pm