

Monarch Park Collegiate



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Welcome Back MPC!

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year at Monarch Park Collegiate! We hope you all had a wonderful summer full of relaxation and great times with family and friends. To those returning to MPC, welcome back! To our new students and families, welcome to Monarch! We look forward to seeing students on September 7, 2022.

Over the summer, our caretaking staff have done an incredible job preparing the school for this year. Our office staff have also been busy these past two weeks preparing for the buzz of a new school year.

We look forward to and are optimistic about the year that lies ahead. As a school we will continue to focus on Equity, Well-Being and Achievement, and our goal for this year is to prioritize "Joy, Engagement, and Belonging in our school as a foundation for academic achievement and student success".

The TDSB has launched a [Back to School Website](#) for parents/guardians/caregivers and students that will continue to be updated.

Last week, we welcomed our new grade nines to Head Start to High School. Our fabulous teachers and students leaders guided our new students through a number of orientation activities. We look forward to continuing with amazing opportunities led by incredible staff, students, and community members for this school year.

The first day of school for all students is Wednesday, September 7, 2022. We will be following a staggered start for the first day of school ONLY. Please follow the schedule below:

Grade 9 9:00AM

Grade 10 9:15 AM

Grade 11/12 9:30AM

UPCOMING DATES

September 7—First Day!

September 9—Welcome Back Assembly

September 19—Photo Day

September 21—Late Start (PLC Date)

September 27—School Council Meeting

September 28—Late Start (Staff Meeting)

MPC's Student Services Department

Hello Monarch Park Families,

We trust you've all had an exciting, rejuvenating, fun-filled summer and are ready to start your 2022/2023 school with us at MPC. Our guidance team is busy preparing timetables and registering students as we prepare for the first day of school on Wednesday September 7th. New registrations, resolution of timetable conflicts and filling incomplete timetables will be the focus of the guidance team until Friday September 9th. If a student wishes to make a change to their timetable, please click on the link below to access our change request form:

<https://forms.gle/A24ngBTrhMHBipnQA>

The link will be active on Tuesday September 6th and we anticipate that we will be responding to these requests by Friday September 9th. Priority will be given to students in need of critical timetable changes. Please be aware that our classes are

very full, and we are doing our best to meet student needs. Some students may even have classes that they did not select on their timetable. This is done so that each student can still accumulate credits and meet their graduation requirements. Please bear with us as we try to find the best solutions for all our students.

Finally, Mr. Peter Treadwell will be joining Ms. Kelly Kebe and Ms. Yvonne Mascioli on the guidance team. Ms. Kebe will be working with students with last names beginning with A-L, and Mr. Treadwell will see students whose last names begin with M-Z. If a student wishes to make an appointment with their counsellor, they can access our new appointment booking system through our website which will be live next week:

<https://sites.google.com/tdsb.on.ca/mpcstudentservices/home>

RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES:

<https://www.calm.com/>

This site includes daily mindfulness challenges which can be used by you as well as your students.

Special Education

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Leadership-Learning-and-School-Improvement/Special-Education>

Equity, Anti-racism, Anti-Oppression

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Equity-Anti-Racism-and-Anti-Oppression>

Indigenous Education

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Community/Indigenous-Education>

Parent Concern Protocol

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Contact-Us/Steps-to-Address-Questions-Concerns>

SCHOOL START UP INFORMATION

School Timetables

Student timetables were e-mailed to students on Friday, and are available online on TDSB connects.

Welcome Grade Nines!

If you have not had a chance to look already, please check out [this site](#) for our new grade 9s.

TDSB e-Learning Day School Semester One (Grade 11 &12)

Registration for Semester 1 TDSB e-Learning courses is now open. This program is for Grade 11 & 12 students who wish to take ONE e-Learning class fully on-line through the TDSB, while maintaining the rest of their courses with MPC. You can access courses available in Semester 1 on the [e-Learning website](#).

Yearbooks

Students who didn't pick up their yearbooks at the end of the school year can pick theirs up in the main office beginning the second week of school.

Registration Fees

We will be collecting registration fees this year. All fees are paid through School Cash Online. You will be notified through School Cash Online for payments. The fee this year is \$50. These fees support clubs, teams, special events, yearbooks, and locks.

School Day Structure

The following charts illustrate the school day structure for all TDSB secondary schools.

	Day 1 (assigned to odd calendar days) e.g. September 7	Day 2 (assigned to even calendar days) e.g. September 8
9:00 - 10:20 a.m.	Class A*	Class A*
10:25 - 11:40 a.m.	Class B	Class B
11:40 - 12:40 p.m.	LUNCH	LUNCH
12:40 - 1:55 p.m.	Class C	Class D
2:00 - 3:15 p.m.	Class D	Class C

1:1 Devices

Information regarding 1:1 Devices for all incoming grade 9s will be provided in the coming weeks.

Student Password Information

Students in Grades 5-12 can also reset their own passwords directly on the login page of many online tools, including Brightspace and Zoom. Once registered, students will be able to use security questions, email, phone, text message or an "authenticator" smartphone app, to validate their password reset requests. For additional information, please view this [infographic](#) or [demo video](#).

New students:

Students new to TDSB will have their password set to the Shared Secret Password. This is a combination of the last 4 digits of your Student Number, followed by 2 digits for your day of birth, and 2 digits for your month of birth, followed by "@Tdsb" (case sensitive and 13 characters in total).

The infographic is titled "Student Shared Secret Password" and is divided into two main sections: "You" and "Your Shared Secret Password".

You: This section shows a student profile for "MAPLE GROVE HIGH" with the name "SMART, ALEC", student number "333123456", and birthday "03-16-2001".

Your Shared Secret Password: This section shows the resulting password: "3456 16 03 @Tdsb".

The password is broken down into four parts:

- #1:** Last 4 digits of student # (3456)
- #2:** Day of Birth (16)
- #3:** Month of Birth (03)
- #4:** *Added to the end (@Tdsb)

Dotted lines connect the student information to the corresponding parts of the password.

COVID-19 Health and Safety Measures and Practices for this school year

Screening—Students and staff should continue to do a daily self-assessment before entering school or Board buildings and stay home if they are sick.

Masks—The TDSB continues to be a mask-friendly environment inclusive of all students and staff. The TDSB will continue to provide medical masks for staff and students who request them.

Testing—Rapid Antigen Test kits will continue to be available to both staff and students and are to be provided to staff/students upon their request and/or upon return from an unplanned absence. As rapid antigen tests are readily available in other public settings, it is not the expectation that all students/staff in a school are provided tests proactively. If you require testing kits, please contact our school office.

Enhanced Cleaning—Caretaking staff will continue to perform routine cleaning of general facilities throughout the day and enhanced cleaning of high touch surfaces such as light switches, handrails, door handles, etc.

We will continue to update you. You can also access updates via the [TDSB website](#).