

February 22,2023

Good morning MPC students and families,

Hope you had a lovely family day weekend.

Yesterday, our Guidance department hosted an option fair in preparation for course selection for the 2023/2024 school year.

On Thursday, our student council hosted MPC's semi formal. A huge thank you to the student council as well as Mme. Philippe for organizing such a memorable event.

The Ontario DECA Provincials competition was held at the Sheraton Centre in downtown Toronto on February 13 and 14. The competition hosted over 5000 students from all over Ontario. The team of over 20 students from all grades competed individual and team events. The team was led by two grade 12 students, Arany and Zunaira. The team made Monarch Park proud in how they prepared and represented the school at the competition. Congratulations Lions!

On February 10, our ILP program hosted Danforth Tech Collegiate and David and Mary Thomson Collegiate in a Friendship Dance. A huge thank you to our student volunteers, staff, as well as our student DJs for creating a fantastic event.

A reminder that today, nurses from Toronto Public Health will be at the school to provide free vaccinations to students. This catch-up clinic will take place during school hours, and will offer Meningococcal, Hepatitis B and Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines. These vaccines prevent cancers and meningitis, protect students against serious infections, and are usually offered to students in Grade 7. However, during the COVID-19 pandemic, some students did not receive these lifesaving vaccines, especially those students currently enrolled in Grades 9 and 10.

If you are missing any doses of these vaccines, you can still catch up! To get vaccinated, be sure to complete and sign a consent form. Extra consent forms will be available on the day of the clinic for students who want to be immunized. On the day of the clinic, remember to wear a loose sleeved shirt, eat something before the clinic, and bring a mask. Also bring valid ID or a health card and your yellow immunization card, if available.

### **Thrifting Comes to Monarch!**

The Monarch Park School Council will hold a thrift shop fundraiser on Wednesday, March 8th in the school cafeteria during lunch and after school. And we need YOUR help!

Thinking about cleaning out your closets this spring? Want to upcycle that vintage fit?

We're looking for gently used jeans, sweats, graphic tees, hoodies, jerseys, dresses, spring jackets, shoes and accessories (jewellery, scarves, belts, sunglasses, hats). Extra hangers are also welcome!!

Start curating your bag of donated items now! Drop off at the school Feb. 21 - March 3.

If you would like to volunteer or need someone to pick up your donation please email: [hmckgray@gmail.com](mailto:hmckgray@gmail.com). Students interested in volunteering should contact Amalia.pallas@tdsb.on.ca

\*\* All proceeds raised by the School Council this year will go toward student clubs, athletics and the nutrition program.

### **School Council Meeting Tonight**

Join us this evening at 6:30PM for our month School Council Meeting. We will be in the Library, or you can join us via zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/95001919886?pwd=Vk1odGxoeEIPNFpZRXcxQVNmWjg1Zz09>

### **TDSB Virtual Community Fair**

#### **TDSB Virtual Community Fair: Let's Talk about Programs and Services for Children With Special or Complex Needs**

Come meet with Community Partners ([see flyer](#)) to discuss important transition planning that needs to occur while in high school to prepare for adult programs at 18 years of age, and plan for life after high school. This is Part 1 in a 2 Part Series to help caregivers and students learn important information to assist with planning for Graduation and life after High School. The second part in this series will be on April 17th and repeated on April 24th.

Guests: Developmental Services Ontario (DSO), Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) and Passport Funds

When: Monday March 6, 2023 from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon.

Monday March 27, 2023 from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/98367378226?pwd=MW9yaDZTYnBoUTRmZEpGaXVmMVAXdz09>

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Enjoy the rest of the week!