

# Post-Secondary Information Session

2023-2024

**SINCLAIR**  
SECONDARY SCHOOL

*The Durham District School Board acknowledges that many Indigenous Nations have longstanding 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.*

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We value  
your achievements.

**WELL-BEING**

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**LEADERSHIP**

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**INNOVATION**

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forward thinking.



# Indigenous Rights Human Rights and Equity



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.

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.

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## Administration

Mr. Sasseville - Principal

Mr. Cook - Vice-Principal Gr. 12 (A-G)

Ms. Williams - Vice-Principal Gr. 12 (H-P)

Ms. Bratincevic - Vice-Principal Gr. 12 (Q-Z)

## Inclusive Services

Ms. Countryman

## Guidance

Mr. MacDonald - Head of Guidance and Cooperative Education

Ms. Dolabaille - Grade 9

Ms. Taylor - Grade 10

Ms. Barsky - Grade 11

Ms. Thomas - Grade 12

# Learning Goals



By the end of the presentation you will ...

...have a better understanding of what the **Grade 12** year will look like and how **we** can work together to **plan** & **support** your post secondary **goals**.

# Planning is the Key



Your success has a lot to do with your planning.

You may not know what you want to do for a career and that is OK! It is still necessary to plan for the next steps after high school.

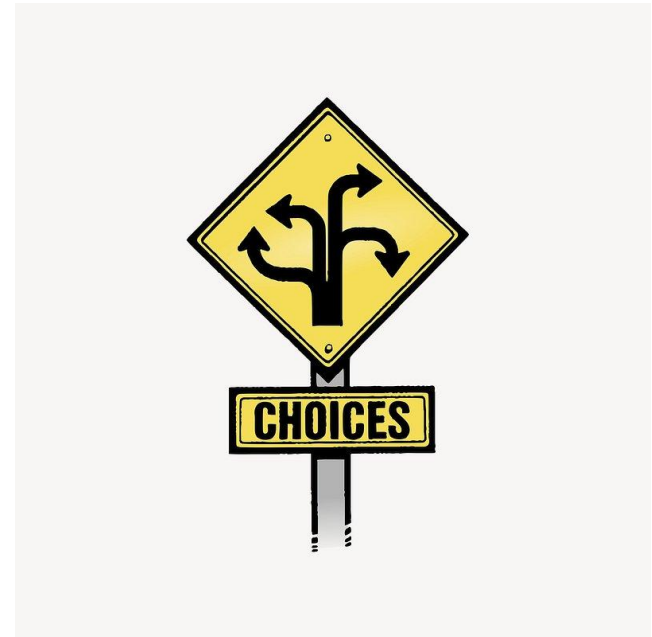
# Why Plan?

- Reduce your stress
- Increased success in school
- Leads to effective transition to post-secondary destination



# Post-Secondary Options

- Workplace
- Gap Year
- Apprenticeship
- College
- University



There is more than one way to reach the same goal.



# Gap Year

- Travel
- Internship
- Volunteer
  
- Rotary International
- [www.cangap.ca](http://www.cangap.ca)
  - Webinars and workshops throughout the year
  
- Benefits vs Costs





# Apprenticeships



<http://www.photo-dictionary.com>

## Earn while you learn!

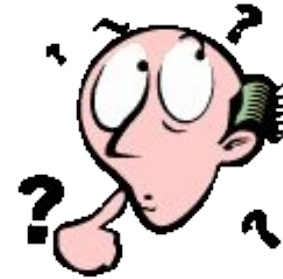
- ❑ There are over **150** skilled trades in Ontario!
- ❑ Must first **find a sponsor/employer to hire and train you**
- ❑ Training agreement signed - prepared by an Apprenticeship Branch consultant (MLTSD)
- ❑ **90%** training is practical on-the-job
- ❑ **10%** is theoretical in-class



# Returning to Sinclair?

- **If you have been planning a 5<sup>th</sup> year, students will complete an Application before December 1, 2023.**
- **Students who have not planned on returning can complete an application at a later date or have an interview with a VP to discuss the appropriateness of returning.**

# 5th Year @ Sinclair



It is not a guarantee you will return!!

Criteria to earn a 5<sup>th</sup> year:

- Realistic Educational Plan
- Attendance
- Behaviour
- 5<sup>th</sup> Year Contract

# Timeline of the Year

- **Today** – Introduction to Grade 12 year
- **Sept-Nov** – Research (Online/ Virtual/In Person Tours)
- **October**-University and College Fairs  
**Oct.12**-University and **Oct.13**-College (Library)
- **Oct/Nov** – Application Seminars
- **Mid Jan-Feb** – Application Deadlines
- **Late May** – You should have heard an admission decision.
- **June** – Admission Vacancy Applications for College and University

Communication via Google  
Classroom- Updates Sept.-June  
**Very Important to check regularly!**



**2023-24 Grade 12 Class:**

**Class code: kd7j4ci**

**login as s#####@ddsstudent.ca**

# Research Programs

## □ Online

### □ University Info

[www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca](http://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca)

**Six Grade 12 U/M for admissions, including ENG4U1 and prerequisites for your program**

**Co-op rarely counts even if attached to a U.**

### □ College Info

[www.ontariocolleges.ca](http://www.ontariocolleges.ca)

**Four Gr 11/12 Courses including Gr 12 English and prerequisite courses for your program**

### □ Visit the college or university campus (PD Day?)

Go with friends!!

Open House Dates Fall/Spring

Check school websites and Scholarship Report Website for dates

# September-November

## □ Continue to Research Online

You have been doing this with your IPP and Careers class. E.g. [myBlueprint](#) software and program websites

## □ Study and Go Abroad Fair - October 1

## □ Sinclair University Fair - Thurs. Oct 12

## □ Sinclair College Fair - Fri. Oct 13

## □ Ontario University Fair

<https://www.ontariouniversitiesevents.ca/>

October 21-22 10 - 5PM

Metro Toronto Convention Centre - South Building

Register online for free OUF Events pass

**Virtual Event** November 22 5-7 PM



# September - November

- **Ontario College Fair - [ontariocollegefair.ca](http://ontariocollegefair.ca)**

October 18, 2023 - 5:00 PM-9:00 PM Enercare Centre Hall B

October 19, 2023 - 9:00 AM-2:00 PM (Free, no registration required)

- **Virtual options** (campus tours, webinars, personal appointments, Fall open houses)

- **Gr. 12 Guidance Google Classroom Posts**

- **Continue thinking about possibilities:**

Ontario, Canada, USA, and Abroad

- **Continue Research, book Guidance appointment**

# September -November

- **Level Up Skilled Trades Fair**  
**November 21, 2023**  
**Tribute Communities Centre**  
**6:30-8:30 PM**



- Q & A Panel
  - Learn and explore the exhibits
  - Learn from skilled trades and OYAP representatives
- Parents welcome, no registration required**

# How to Apply:

## □ **University Application Seminar**

October 12, 2023 - 12:40 PM in Library

\*New Application this year\*

Check Google classroom for sign-up coming soon

## □ **College Application Seminar**

Nov 14th – in Guidance, sign up during period 2,3 or 4

Check Gr. 12 Guidance Google classroom for sign up

## □ **Application Support**

-Ms. Thomas will be hosting drop-in Lunch support sessions on Tuesdays beginning in November

# Colleges in Ontario

Apply on [www.ontariocolleges.ca](http://www.ontariocolleges.ca)

**6** in our area

Over **900** programs!

**HUNDREDS** of **diploma**, **certificate** and **degree** programs for careers in today's most in-demand fields

**Many unique programs- gain theoretical knowledge and practical experience!**

**MANY CAMPUSES!**



# Gather Your Information

- View campus tours and Fall/Spring Open House sessions posted on Gr 12 Google Classroom/Scholarship Report.
- View college websites and viewbooks in Guidance office.



# Applying to College?

- [www.ontariocolleges.ca](http://www.ontariocolleges.ca)
  - **Program specific Pre-requisites**  
i.e. Paramedic (ENG4C1, MAP4C1, SBI3C1, SCH4C1)
  - Highly Competitive Program Chart:  
Marks required above the minimum!!  
Apply before Feb 1, 2024
- **Application Fee** - \$125 for 5 choices  
(programs beginning in September 2024)  
(no more than 3 programs at any one college)
- You can still apply for non-competitive programs until August

# Special Information

- Equal Consideration Dates for Applying to Competitive Programs - **Feb 1, 2024**

Most common deadline to confirm offers for College-**May 1, 2024**  
(check offer of admission posted to your account)

- Extra Requirements – Your school will communicate with you directly via email or portal.  
Specific Tests-IELTS, volunteer hours, CPR/First Aid, portfolio, auditions etc..

# When do I get accepted?

- ❑ Colleges can send out offers as early as November, for non-oversubscribed programs.
- ❑ Competitive college programs make decisions based on marks up to finals from semester. Grade 11 marks are also considered. Offers are released throughout the year.





# Universities

- **23** in Ontario
- **7** in our area
- **90** different undergraduate degrees
- MANY CAMPUSES!



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[Ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca](http://Ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca) : Ontario

[Universitystudy.ca](http://Universitystudy.ca) : Canada

[Educationusacanada.ca](http://Educationusacanada.ca) : USA



# Applying to University?

- [www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca](http://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca)
- **Application Fees**
  - \$156 first 3 choices PLUS
  - \$50/choice above initial 3 choices
  - i.e. 5 total choices:  $156 + 100 = \$256$
  - some supplemental fees
- Relax!! You don't have to apply RIGHT NOW even if your friend at another school has applied. **Ontario schools give equal consideration if you apply by the deadline Jan 15/24.**

# Other Application Information

- Every College and University will create an account/portal for you on their student system where they communicate with you regarding additional information.
  - Personal Statements
  - Auditions
  - Specific Tests and Qualifications
  - etc...
- You must **check your school specific accounts regularly** so you do not miss any required deadlines.

# Application Deadlines:

- **University Equal Consideration Date**

Jan 15, 2024

- **College Equal Consideration Date for Highly Competitive Programs**

Feb 1, 2024

- Applicants are encouraged to apply before these dates since website volumes are highest at these times.



# When do I get accepted?

- This can be VERY, VERY stressful for students.
- Each College and University have “Admission Windows” of when offers are released.
- Colleges can start providing offers as of November, 2023.  
**May 1, 2024**- Most common deadline to confirm offers (check offer of admission on portal)
- University offers may be sent out by universities as a recruiting tool for programs as early as December.
- Many university programs are competitive so you may have to wait for semester 2 midterms and all required admission requirements to be reviewed. This is late-April. For competitive programs, you may have to wait until late May.



# Easy Street Now? Not Yet!!

**ALL Offers of Admissions are  
CONDITIONAL!!!**

**Read the conditions (eg. min 70% in  
ENG4U1) and make sure you meet them or  
the school will take back your offer if your  
program is competitive.**

**Most schools do not wait for Summer  
School upgrades.**

# Communication with Parents/Guardians:

- Open communication
- Research – Many pathways to same goal ([ontransfer.ca](http://ontransfer.ca))
- Financial planning
- Dates in this Presentation/Google Classroom posts, etc..



# Financial Information



□ Tuition	<b>\$4000+</b>	<b>\$6 to \$10,000</b>
□ Ancillary Fees	1500	<b>\$1800</b>
□ Books/supplies	<b>\$1 - 2,200</b>	
□ Accommodation/ food/transportation	<b>\$6,200 - 8,000</b>	
	<b>\$5,000 - 5,600</b>	
<b>Staying Local</b>	<b>6,500+</b>	<b>\$9 - 13,000</b>
<b>Going Away</b>	<b>17,500+</b>	<b>\$20 - 26,000</b>



# Sources of Money

- Savings and RESP's
- Loans – OSAP/Lines of Credit
- Bursaries
- Employment (work/study)
- Athletics
- Scholarships



# Scholarships

## □ **The Scholarship Report**

Posted bi-monthly. Password to access this website has been posted under the Classwork section in the Gr. 12 Guidance Google Classroom.

□ [www.scholarshipscanada.com](http://www.scholarshipscanada.com)

□ [www.yconic.com](http://www.yconic.com)

□ [www.schoolfinder.com](http://www.schoolfinder.com)

□ Sign up for scholarship webinars and learn how to find scholarships and to apply.

□ Any limited enrolment scholarships that require school endorsement must be completed and submitted to Ms. Thomas 2 weeks before the due date listed.

□ 1-4 limited enrollment nominations!!!

U of T Book Award, Schulich Leader, Western National Scholarship, Queen's Major Admission Awards - apply November

# Ontario Learn and Stay Grant

Applying to Nursing, paramedic or medical lab technology programs?

Program must be in a priority community  
(Northern Ontario/Eastern or Southwest Ontario)

-Receive free tuition, book \$ etc.

-Must commit to working in the same community where you studied for a period of time depending on length of program (2 years of work for 4 year program)

# OSAP

- Estimator Tool Online

<https://osap.gov.on.ca/AidEstimator2324Web/enterapp/enter.xhtml>

- OSAP is based on the program you apply for and the total costs for the year.

- **OSAP is now attached with your application and you can start the process when you apply to College or University.**

# Other Important Dates:

May 29, 2024: Last day you can expect a response from an Ontario university if you applied by the January 15 deadline.

June 3, 2024: The earliest day you may be required to respond to an offer at an Ontario University and give a financial commitment (e.g., registration or residence deposit).

**Questions ?**

**Book A Guidance  
Appointment**



# Graduation Coach for Black Students:

**Brian Elrington** -  
Sinclair S.S. and G.L. Roberts

## **Ontario Supporting the Success of Black Students**

Investments will Promote Greater Access to Mentorship and Tutoring Programs, Targeted Supports and Coaching



# Graduation Coach *for* Black Students

**WHO: Brian Elrington**

**WHERE: Library, Rm:212C**

**WHEN: Mondays and  
Wednesdays**

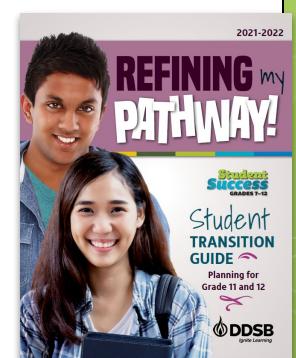
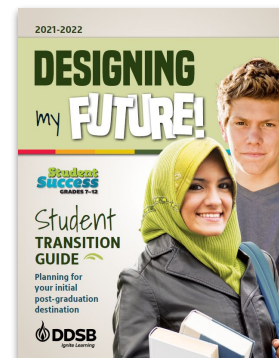
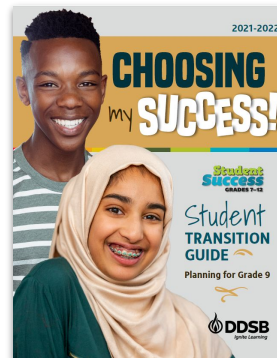
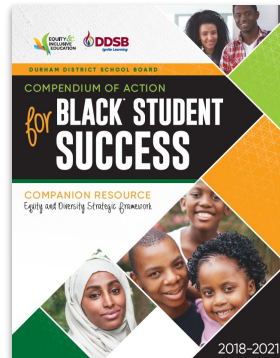
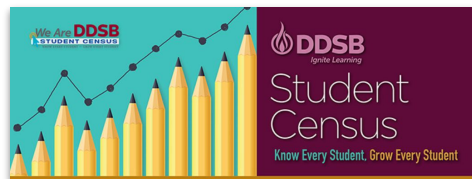
**Hours: from lunch to after school**

**Email: [brian.elrington@ddsb.ca](mailto:brian.elrington@ddsb.ca)**



# Purpose

To provide culturally-responsive support for Black students and their families as they navigate the post-secondary application and admissions process.



# What does that look like???

**Pathway Planning** Achieving credits, campus tours, graduating and successfully transitioning into their chosen post-secondary pathway.

1

**Scholarships** Supports students in identifying and applying to potential grants and scholarships, or other academic enrichment opportunities.

2

**Well-Being** Build a sense of community and belonging for Black students that will enable them to voice their experiences.

3

**Engagement** Being a trusted mentor and advisor (in collaboration with the guidance team) throughout the entire process.

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# Durham College

**Marisa Vipond-Recruitment Officer**



**DURHAM**  
**COLLEGE**

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**SUCCESS MATTERS**

Ontario Tech-Jade Santos

Student Recruiter



**OntarioTech**  
UNIVERSITY

# Trent University

Sarah Arshad -  
Enrolment Advisor and Recruitment





Thank  
You

Thank you parents and  
guardians for all of your  
support!