

Sinclair SCC Meeting

December 19th, 2022



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Land Acknowledgement

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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Indigenous 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.



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Human Rights & Equity Statement

The Durham District School Board is committed to learning environments that are safe, welcoming, respectful, equitable, accessible, inclusive and free from discrimination while placing Human Rights and Equity at the centre.



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Agenda

1. Information
2. Exams
3. Staff Update
4. Guidance Update
5. Graduation Coach for Black Student - Brian Elrington
6. Student Update
7. SCC input



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Principal's Information

- Study skill development
- Hallways/ Washrooms/ Staying focussed
- Winter Holiday - Dec. 23 - Jan. 8
- Exams - Jan. 26-31
- Semester 2 begins February 3rd



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Exams (Week 1 Schedule)

January 26	January 27	January 30	January 31	February 1
Period 1 Exams	Period 2 Exams	Period 3 Exams	Period 4 Exams	Credit Completion Exam Review

- Exams start at 9:30 and are either 1.5 or 2 hours long
- Students write in their regular classrooms
- Academic Resource Room is available (pre-arranged by teachers)
- Only students writing exams attend



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February 1st Schedule

- Credit Completion

12:55 - 1:30	Exam Review Period 1 (Week 1)
1:30 - 1:35	Travel
1:35 - 2:10	Exam Review Period 2 (Week 1)
2:10 - 2:15	Travel
2:15 - 2:50	Exam Review Period 3 (Week 1)
2:50 - 2:55	Travel
2:55 - 3:30	Exam Review Period 4 (Week 1)



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Staff Update

Sinclair Elves - J.Fyfe

Sinclair Elves toy drive was able to donate 6 bags of toys, in addition to a cheque for \$200 to the local YWCA

DECA - K. Lee

Regional Results:

Sinclair hosted the North Eastern Regional DECA event on November 26th . With over 1800 competitors from across Ontario, it was a very exciting day!! Of our 94 Sinclair competitors, 59 qualified to compete at the Provincial Level in February. We are always looking for judges. If you have a background in Accounting, Business, Entrepreneurship, Marketing, Hospitality, Tourism or Finance, and would like to be a provincial judge, please contact Mrs. Lee at Kristie.lee@ddsb.ca



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Staff Update

Arts Department - A.Grenon

We had our first LIVE Winter Music Night since 2019 on December 8th. We had approximately 100 performers during our concert. It was a huge success. Over 150 parents came and watched students from 9-12 perform for an hour and a half.

Our grade 11/12 instrumental students have invited 2 feeder schools with a total of over 100 students to visit on December 19th and 20th.. We are looking forward to sharing our love of music to students that have been without performances for many years.

December 22nd will mark our Arts Councils' winter talent show for the entire school. It will feature students and teachers doing dance, music, acting and more.



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Math Department - J.Fyfe

A group of grade 11 and 12 math students have been practicing almost every day for the talent show. They will be performing the "Twelve Days of Math Class"

Tech Department - J.McKinnon

The construction students are helping build sets for the Spring Play!



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Business Department - K.Lee

Business SHSM Winter Wonderland Part 1 - a week of food and fun!

Everyday last week the Business High Skills Major class offered unique foods to Celtics. Monday was a pancake breakfast and lunch. Tuesday was bubbly tea, booster juice and Mr. Puffs. Wednesday was mochi balls.

Thursday turned out to be a perfect Winter Wonderland for our Business SHSM's Carnival in the caf!

Celtics participated in some fun & fantastic carnival booths, ate Pizza, Popcorn, and Gelato, entered to win Raffle Prizes for a Computer Monitor, a Sport Chek Gift Card worth \$100, and our Shoppers Drug Mart Gift Basket worth \$300!

All proceeds are going to SafeHope Home, a local charity that helps survivors of sex trafficking rebuild their lives. They goal was \$2500 and we will know in the next day or two how much we exceeded that by! So exciting!



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HOSSA / Ambassadors - Science / Guidance

It was exciting to have two Sinclair alumni come back last week to present in the HOSA Sinclair Career series about Biomedical Engineering and Public Health Careers and post-secondary programs. If there are any SCC members who are interested in coming in to talk to students about Careers in Science on Wednesdays after school, please talk to Michele Thomas in Guidance.

Also, Exam preparation and study skills workshops are underway in the Library at Lunch. Please see Guidance Google classroom streams to register via Google form. The next sessions will occur on Tuesday January 10 and Thursday January 12 at Lunch in the Library. Learn about ways to manage stress during exams, how to plan a study schedule, study techniques and notebook organization.

Ambassadors will be running exam workshops for all Grade 9 homerooms the 2nd week of January.



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Muslim Students Association (MSA)

We continue to have approximately 25 students at our weekly meetings on Fridays at lunch in room 320. Our MSA students love our new “Chill Friday” themes. Last week we enjoyed a time of de-stressing with hot chocolate, sweets and time with our friends.

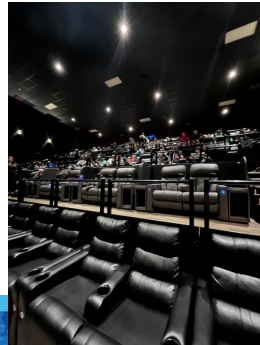


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Canadian and World Studies Dept.

Today, 150 of our Grade 10 History Students attending a private screening of the film 'Devotion' at Landmark Cinemas:



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Guidance Update

Course Selection Process (February)

Gr. 8-9 Transition Coach

Gr. 9 Inclusive to Gr. 10

Graduating students - Community Hours, Literacy Requirement, 30 credits,
Grad Photos



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Graduation Coach for Black Students - Brian Elrington

Why?

Supporting our students for success during and beyond High School

Understanding and breaking down systemic barriers

Programs - Study Hall & Homework Club - Wednesdays (Library); Black Student Union (BSU)

Everyone is important, everyone can be successful!



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Student Update

What is Student Parliament up to before the Winter Break? 



- We are hosting a Winter Wonderland, which started on Friday, December 16 and is ending on Thursday, December 22.
- A few of our events include...

Event Dates	Friday, Dec 16	Monday, Dec 19	Tuesday, Dec 20	Wednesday, Dec 21	Thursday, Dec 22
When are the events running? LUNCH!	-Stage Games -Candy Cane "Just Eyeball It" -Candy Cane Grams	-Candy Cane "Just Eyeball It" -Show in Library -Candy Cane Grams -Gingerbread House Contest (After School)	-Jersey Day/ Celtic Day -Candy Cane "Just Eyeball It" -Candy Cane Grams	-Comfy Day -Hot Chocolate	-Ugly Holiday Sweater Day/ Festive Day -Kahoot in the Cafe



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Student Update

What's been going on at Sinclair in December?

- **Music Night** - Dec. 8
- **HOSA guest speaker** - Afrah C
- **Holiday Toy Drive** - Youth In Action
- **Exam Prep Workshops** - Ambassadors
- **Mock Trial Club** starting up again
- **Business SHSM Class Spirit Week**



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Next Meeting

Monday Feb. 6th @ 7pm



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