

HELLO FALL!

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Falling Into Fall

As the leaves begin to turn to shades of red and gold, we find ourselves embracing the beauty of fall and the exciting opportunities it brings.

September marked the beginning of a new school year, bringing in a few changes as the month progressed. Your child may have experienced one such change during re-organization day. It is essential for families to understand that even if your child starts the school year with a particular teacher, there is no assurance that they will remain in the same class after re-org day. This reshuffling typically occurs once the school year is underway, allowing the administration to accurately determine class sizes. It is understandable that such changes can pose challenges for families, however, they are a necessary part of maintaining balanced class sizes. If your child was affected by the reorganization, please don't hesitate to reach out to their teacher if you have any concerns.

As we transition into the fall season, it's crucial to note that cooler weather is approaching. Please ensure that your child is appropriately dressed for the changing climate and is ready to spend time outdoors each day.

IMPORTANT DATES

PL DAY: K-12 STUDENTS

- **OCTOBER 6th**

THANKSGIVING DAY - NO SCHOOL

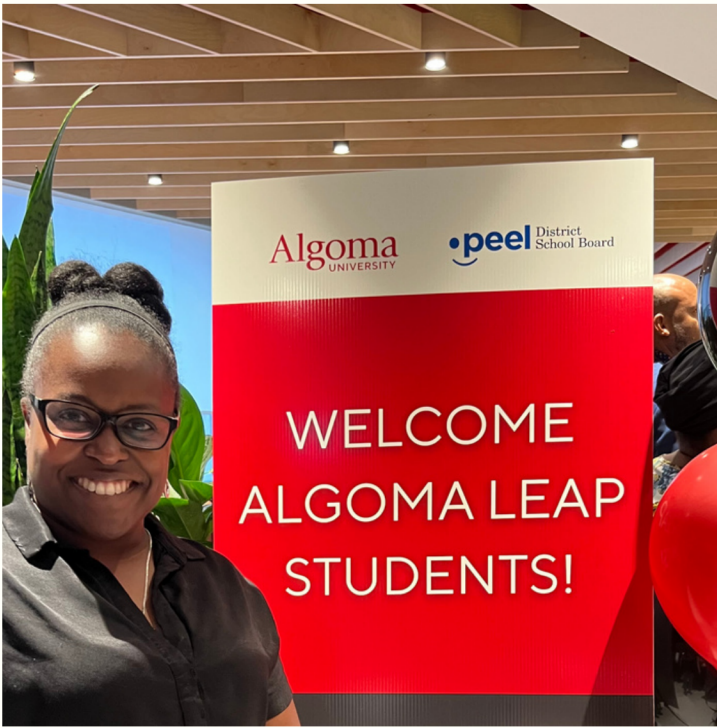
- **October 9th**

PDSB BOARD MEETING

- **October 25th @ 7pm**

REGIONAL LEARNING CHOICES PROGRAM - INFORMATION SESSIONS

- **Starts October**



PDSB & Algoma University Unveils Learners Early Access Program (LEAP)

It was a privilege to witness 50 Grade 11 and 12 PDSB students tour the Algoma University campus in Brampton for the LEAP program. This is an innovative new program designed to help students transition to university. This partnership program focuses on students who belong to groups traditionally underrepresented at universities. The LEAP program allows students to take university courses for credit while still completing their high school classes on the Algoma University campus in a space dedicated to LEAP.

Working to Improve Transportation in Regional Programs

The Regional Learning Choices Programs (RLCP) offered by the Peel District School Board empower students by providing them with the opportunity to nurture and explore their skills within specific areas of interest. Eligibility for the RLCPs is open to all students who meet the specified criteria. All parents are invited to attend the information night to gain comprehensive insights and apply, parents are encouraged to attend the parent information night. In line with the School Board's commitment to equity and inclusion, admission to regional programs will focus on addressing historical disparities in enrollment. African, Black, Afro-Caribbean, First Nations, Inuit, and Métis students who self-identify and fulfill the admission criteria will be accepted without undergoing a random selection process, ensuring fair representation for all.

PDSB September 27, 2023 Board Meeting

At the September board meeting, the administrative team presented the Two Spirit & LGBTQIA+ Action Plan.

"The Action Plan addresses areas of concern and improvement informed by the lived experiences of Two Spirit & LGBTQIA+ students, families, educators, and staff. The Action Plan is a commitment to ensuring that collectively we work to create environments that will support Two Spirit & LGBTQIA+ students and staff in reaching their full potential."

After addressing several points of clarification, the action plan received approval.

The meeting proceedings, the complete agenda and a recording of the discussions are readily accessible online.

#FallVibes



2024-25 RLCP SECONDARY APPLICATION DATES

LEARN ABOUT THE PROGRAMS: STARTING NOW...

APPLICATION PERIOD: NOV. 8 2023 FROM 8:30 A.M. TO NOV. 22, 2023, AT 3 P.M.

1ST ROUND ACCEPTANCE OFFERS ISSUED: JAN. 8, 2024, AFTER 3 P.M.