

Sir William Osler High School

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GRADE RANGE: 9 to 12

Interesting Feature

Learn by Doing

For many students, the best way to learn is through on-the-job practical training. Our classrooms simulate real-life job situations. We help you build the confidence you will need for your future. Our qualified special education teachers and support staff will help you learn how to operate equipment safely and skillfully. We are a success oriented school for exceptional learners, aged 14 to 21. Students are offered a strong functional literacy and numeracy foundation to support technical employability experiences, which may lead to productive co-op placements.

Osler offers 4 distinctive programs for students of varying exceptionalities:

1) Our MID students can partake in a 4 year ESAC program followed by a 3 year School To Work Transition program, where they can transition either to Community College, Apprenticeships, or the World of Work. 2) Our students with Multiple Exceptionalities can obtain an ESAC certificate after 7 years of programming, the last 3 involving supported co-op. 3) Our students with Physical Exceptionalities also earn an ESAC after 7 years, where senior students participate in Co-op Business Ventures. 4) Our Developmentally Challenged students earn a Certificate of Achievement that involves supported experiential community initiatives with Low-incidence support staff.

Skills For Your Future

We offer a unique timetable where you can spend half a day in technical education and half a day in building your literacy and numeracy skills. Our technical program includes such shops as: Culinary Arts, Baking, Restaurant Service, Small Engines, Auto Body and Auto Detailing, Health Care, Cosmetology, Computer Technology, Landscape and Masonry, Drywall / Painting / Roofing, Carpentry, Clothing Construction and Textiles, and In-school Pathways. We also offer a Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) in Construction with Agincourt C.I. and Hospitality with Stephen Leacock C.I. Our goal is for every student to realize his or her potential.





What Does Our School Program Offer?

- *15 Employability shops geared for students of varying ability, including SHSMs with A.C.I. and S.L.C.I.
- *Modified courses in Literacy, Numeracy, Science, Social Science, Learning Strategies, Music, and Art.
- *Experiential Learning of some form is available to all senior students.
- *Supported Co-op of varying kinds, providing education until the age of 21.



What are the Levels of ESAC?

The Employability Skills Achievement Certificate (ESAC) may be awarded to any student completing:

- Platinum - 30 courses, 2 terms independent coop, 40 community hrs
- Gold – 30 courses, 2 terms independent coop
- Silver – 30 courses, 2 terms supported coop
- Bronze – 30 courses, in-school supported coop
- Certificate of Achievement – 30 courses, community involvement



What is the School To Work Transition (SWT)?

- *Supported job placement and coaching, with career exploration and goal setting.
- *Weekly in-school employability problem solving sessions.
- *Integrated communication involving employers, students, teachers and parents.
- *Resume writing, interview skills and TTC training.
- *Development of an employment portfolio.
- *Gateway to post-secondary or employment.



What is a Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)?

- *Enhanced employability program offered with our Collegiate partners providing our students with more technical and academic focus.
- *Construction SHSM with Agincourt C.I. working on courtyard initiatives for community improvement.
- *Hospitality SHSM with Stephen Leacock C.I. working on community catering ventures in our state of the art kitchen facilities.



Additional Features

- Employability Skills Portfolio
- State-of-the-Art Language Lab
- Student Success Room
- Swim to Survive Program @ Leacock
- Pathways In-School Co-op
- Multi Sensory Room for calming
- After School Lit. and Num. Program
- Vibrant Co-curricular Program



Student Life - Where You Belong

- Leadership Opportunities: SAC / ME to WE / Athletic Council
- Variety of Sporting Teams and Events
- Curricular Field Trips
- Women In Motion / Go Girls / Ladies Lecture Series
- Learning Partnership Business Venture
- Equity and Diversity Presentations and Events
- ESP and ECO Schools
- Boys 2 Men / MYIND
- SAC Activities
- Lunch-time Activities
- Co curricular Programs
- TTC Training
- Special Assemblies
- Talent Shows
- Monthly Dances
- School Prom
- Open House
- School-wide Field Trip
- Yearbook



What Sets Us Apart

Co-op Education that integrates the academic program and employability skills with experiential learning. Our students say it all....

"SWT is just like work. I enjoyed working with real people and I got a real hairdressing job, so I really like working." A. Persaud

"I felt so important when one of my regular customers and her family came into the store. The lady told my boss she wanted me to look after them and they would wait until I was available." R. Isse

"I really like co-op this year. I had a great time on the job. SWT prepares you for the real world." J. Thomas

"Co-op has been a great experience for me. I really liked my cosmetology class and I liked doing my friend's hair. But I was not sure I could do it in a real salon. I went to a hair salon on Yonge Street for my co-op placement. All the hairstylists there taught me about washing hair, colouring, perms, styling and all the basic routines. I now have a job there on Saturdays and hope to continue training." M. Pucay





Parent and Community Engagement

- *Placement for Nursing students - Centennial College and Ryerson University.
- *Placement for PSW,SSW, DSW students - Seneca and Centennial College.
- *Placement for Peer Helper Program - Agincourt Collegiate.
- *After School Programs - Scarborough Boys and Girls Club.
- *Teacher Education Student Placements - O.I.S.E., University of Toronto.
- *160 Osler students participate in our Co-op program in a variety of community businesses, agencies and schools.
- *Agency Involvement: Griffin Centre, Youthlink, Geneva Centre, Surrey Place Centre, Community Living, Toronto, and JVS who provide support to our students and their families.
- *Support for fundraisers and our annual Open House.
- *Monthly lunches for community seniors.
- *Volunteering for community outings.



TDSB - Better Schools. Brighter Futures

Imagine a TDSB where all schools share a common core set of characteristics. They are community-driven and focused on teaching and learning. Students and parents have a wide variety of opportunities and there are enough students in every school to increase program choices.

Imagine there is a clear focus on achieving student success and every student is engaged, has a voice, access to a caring adult and the opportunity to develop their full potential.

Here at the TDSB our focus is on student achievement, parent and community engagement and financial stability.



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