

Bloorlea Middle School

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GRADE RANGE: 6 to 8

Interesting Feature

Programs

- * English, English as a Second Language, Extended French and Core French
- * Mathematics, Science, Design Technology
- * Instrumental Music (Band & Strings), Visual Arts, Drama and Dance, Vocal Music
- * Social Studies, Health and Physical Education, History, Geography, and Guidance
- * Special Education: Resource, Home School Program and Learning Disabilities

Bloorlea Middle School is located in the west end of Toronto at the corner of Bloor Street and The East Mall. Our school opened its doors in 1957 and currently serves 300 middle school students. We are proud of our dedicated teaching and support staff. Bloorlea staff place a high priority on a positive and active partnership with our parents. Our Code of Conduct and Dress Code reflect our goal to achieve a learning environment that is safe, nurturing, positive, and respectful. We welcomed our first Grade 6 Extended French class from Briarcrest P.S. to Bloorlea in September 2007.

School Focus

- * Balanced literacy/numeracy programs
- * Technology (SMARTboards, LCD projectors, Elmo's and digital camera's)
- * Grade team planning
- * Character Development
- * Healthy & active school environment: Fit for Life School
- * Eco School status: Gold
- * Progressive discipline
- * Co-curricular activities
- * School yard Redevelopment





School Improvement Plan

Each fall, our School Improvement Planning Committee carefully reviews the results of our Grade 6 EQAO assessments, report card data and CASI. Strategies are then implemented to help students improve their level of achievement even further. A summary of our action plan is listed below.



Literacy

- *Emphasis on non-fiction writing and reading
- *Purchase appropriate reading and writing materials for boys
- *Provide release time and professional development for teachers to work collaboratively in grade teams and attend in-service sessions
- *Use of Descriptive Feedback, RAFT and APE strategies

Numeracy

- *Purchase additional manipulatives and use effectively
- *Use of three-part lesson and four stage problem solving model
- *Release Grade 8 teachers to review Grade 9 results
- *Implement effective assessment strategies
- *Participation in Grade 6 Mobile Computing Strategy (MAC laptops)

Community, Culture & Caring

- *Participate in at least 1 community action event
- *Offer all students the opportunity to become involved in at least 1 co-curricular activity
- *Character Development
- *School wide development
- *Development of a long term school yard improvement plan

Additional Features

- Grade 7/8 Career Day
- Grade 8 Parent Information Night
- Grade 8 to 9 transitions meetings



Student Life - Where You Belong

We strongly encourage our students to become involved in a number of activities outside of instructional times. Bloorlea offers a wide range of athletic teams, clubs, and committees which take place over the lunch hour and after school. One of our goals is to ensure that every student participates in at least one co-curricular activity during each school year, and one community action initiative. Grade 8 students have the opportunity to participate in a school trip in June to Quebec City. All Grade 8's go on a boat cruise the last week of school which includes a hot lunch, DJ services, and a one and a half hour tour of Lake Ontario. All students receive a Bloorlea yearbook each year.

Teachers are available to provide additional academic support to students before school, at lunch, or after school. Students are asked to make arrangements with the teacher ahead of time. A grade 6 tutor is available one day a week during instructional time to assist students.

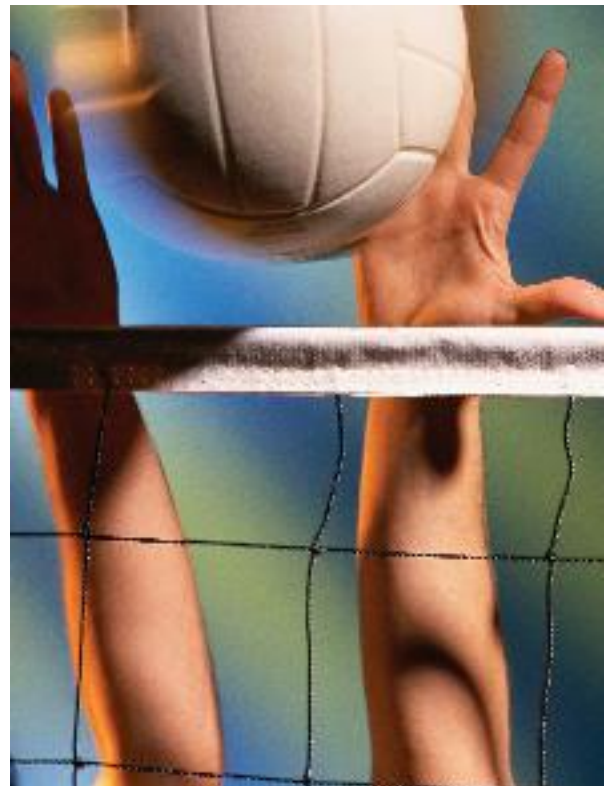


What Sets Us Apart

Our outstanding staff strive to create a positive and safe environment conducive to learning. They work collaboratively together, regularly meeting in grade teams to examine data and instructional techniques.

We offer our Grade 7 students a Design & Technology program. Students also have the opportunity to participate in an instrumental music program (band & strings) which is offered during instructional times on a withdrawal basis from a variety of subjects (ie. English, Math, Social Studies or History/Geography).

In addition to our Core French students, we have two classes of Extended French students who study Language, Social Studies or History/Geography, Drama, Vocal Music & Visual Arts in French.





Parent and Community Engagement

- * Parent volunteers (Terry Fox Run, Library, Scholastic Book Fair, excursions, driving students to co-curricular events)
- * Parent reps (School Council meetings, Budget, School Improvement, and Safe School Committees)
- *Curriculum Night, Remembrance Day assembly, Parent-Teacher interviews, Information Nights, graduation, concerts
- * Fundraising (pizza days, sub days, poinsettia sales, Scholastic Book Fair, theme baskets) & MacMillan cookie dough
- *Public library, The Lunch Lady, Parks & Rec, Police Liaison Officer
- *Co-op students, teacher candidates, nursing students, CYW students, Gr. 6 Tutor
- *Community volunteers, guest speakers, Public Health Nurse, Dental Screening, HPV/Hep B vaccines
- *Etobicoke Children's Centre, George Hull, St. Joseph's Hospital, Big Brothers



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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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