## **Nelson A Boylen Collegiate Institute**

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**GRADE RANGE**: 9 to 12

## Interesting Feature

## **Using Technology**

We are excited to have a mobile cart of 30 netbooks that can be moved to any classroom. Our teachers use the technology to provide a variety of opportunities for students to complete research, demonstrate their knowledge, and complete assignments. To date we have used technology to create tumblr and facebook pages to highlight specific geographic areas, researched different representations of culture via youtube, practiced DNA fingerprinting and many other applications. This is in addition to two other standard computer labs and our access to

eLearning courses.

#### Good things come from small schools!

Nelson A. Boylen Collegiate Institute offers a well-balanced academic program and enjoys a proud tradition of student achievement. The school is located in a quiet setting away from busy streets and plazas. Our multicultural staff and student body is comprised of individuals faring from countries spanning the globe. Staff and students enjoy the benefits of the small school setting which promotes close connections between staff and students. Being part of a small school results in our graduates benefiting from personalized attention which better prepares them for their future.

All of our students can find a caring adult in the school to provide mentorship, guidance, and encouragement allowing everyone to reach their full potential.

# The Nelson A. Boylen Difference

Our students succeed! In addition to the on-going support from all of the staff, our kind and caring guidance department is always there to support students. They are always finding unique and challenging opportunities for students to ensure their success and potential in earning a high school diploma. Even upon graduating, our

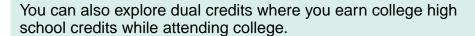


students are never without our support and assistance, as our guidance department helps find and apply for scholarships to the exciting post-secondary opportunities that await!



#### **Test Drive Potential Careers**

So many career choices; so many opportunities! Through our co-op program, you can combine classroom study with practical on-the-job training. This exciting half-day program helps you find out what you love to do and earn credits in an alternative setting.





#### Student Success

Our dedication to Student Success will help you earn 16 credits by the time you turn 16. Whether it is by accessing Boys 2 Men, Girls Programs, Student Leadership opportunites, Sports, Clubs, Homework Help or Credit Recovery we want to make high school a memorable, enjoyable and successful experience. Our teachers are dedicated to providing opportunites to ensure success.



#### **English as a Second Language**

Don't let language be a barrier! Both our English as a Second Language (ESL) and English Literacy Development (ELD) programs are designed to help new comers. With support learning how to communicate more effectively in written and oral forms, students are givent the tools they need to ensure success in school. They are also taught an understanding of Canadian culture.



#### The Arts

The courses in our Arts department develops skills in drama, play writing, visual arts, music and afro-cuban drumming. Our classes are so successful that they are featured as exemplary classrooms within the TDSB. But that is not the end of Arts at Boylen. We also have clubs that allow students to practice their skills in Spoken Word and dance outside of the classroom.



#### **Additional Features**

- Excellent School Support Services
- Breakfast Club
- Co-Op (Experiential) Learning
- Competitive Athletic Programs

- Student Leadership
- Electronic Learning Programs
- Dual Credit and SWAC Programs
- Multicultural Heritage Clubs

For a list of all programs that are also offered visit <a href="http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Findyour/Schools.aspx?schno=3411&schoolId=411">http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Findyour/Schools.aspx?schno=3411&schoolId=411</a>



## Student Life - Where You Belong

Do not let our size fool you. We may be a little smaller then others, but we have a bigger heart than most: including where it counts - with many wonderful academics, athletics, and facilities that just can't be beat!

For athletes, come and enjoy our large double gym, swimming pool, and weight / fitness centre. We play volleyball, badminton, track and field, cricket, swimming, basketball and soccer. Last year members of our Track and Field team were city finalists and this year our girls basketball team is going to OFSAA.

For those who enjoy clubs, you have come to the right place! Come be a part of our Breakfast Club, Lunchtime Sports Club, Student Leadership Council, Slam Poetry, Zumba, Stone Soup Kitchen, Environmental Club, Multicultural Heritage Clubs, and our Homework Club! And, of course, do not miss our seasonal Bar-B-Ques, or our Spirit Week. Your participation is always what makes for an exciting student life here at Boylen!





## What Sets Us Apart

Thanks to the size of our school, you are part of the crowd; not lost in it.

Class sizes are small and individualized; meaning that teachers and support staff can become well acquainted with students right from the first day of school. This makes it easier to assist and support students to be successful.

From the Principal, to the teachers, to the office staff, and to the custodians; we are all here in the business of ensuring your success and happiness while you are a student at Boylen.

A smaller school also makes it easier to be part of more activities, such as getting a spot to play on your favourite sporting team, earning a part in a play, or being invited to a special outing.

In between classes, our hall monitors, School Resource Officer, and our administrators always have time to get to know the students, and ensure everyone gets to their classes on time and safely.

And of course, we cannot forget how easy it is to make friends for life at a smaller school like Boylen. Indeed it is true. Good things do come from small schools!





## Parent and Community Engagement

Family and the community are an integral part of the Boylen experience, and we rely heavily on both for ensuring students' success.

With the support of our students' families, our job is very easy. Students arrive at school, eager to learn, have fun, and be part of the Boylen experience. Families are pleased to see their children doing well, keeping safe, and working hard. Several of our families enjoy being part of our parent-teacher nights and hold active positions on our school council.



But a community is not just the families who live in their neighbourhood, but businesses as well! Restaurants, supermarkets, and respective community organizations, to highlight but a few, have also taken an active role in ensuring our students achieve success.



## **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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