West Hill Collegiate Institute

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GRADE RANGE: 9 to 12

Interesting Feature

Tradition of Excellence

West Hill C.I. has a proud tradition of excellence in academic. artistic, and athletic endeavours, with numerous awards. citations and championships garnered over the years. At West Hill. C.I., students enjoy a wide variety of co-curricular pursuits related to their academic, artistic, cultural, and athletic interests. The many opportunities offered here at West Hill C.I. will help you become a well balanced individual.We hope you will select from our award-winning programs. We are a traditional non-semestered school.

Surgo in Lucem - I rise into the light

West Hill Collegiate Institute stresses the worth, dignity, and responsibility of both students and staff. Our goal is to provide a positive learning environment where students are able to acquire the academic, social, and personal skills necessary for them to contribute to the total life of their community and to achieve their post-secondary ambitions. Our primary focus at West Hill C.I. is to prepare all students for success in their post-secondary choices - whether at university, at college or in the workplace. The co-operative approach which our staff employs in promoting a strong sense of both discipline and responsible behaviour in our student body is an integral part of the school's continual pursuit of educational excellence.

Student Leadership Opportunities

West Hill students benefit from various student leadership opportunities including Student Activity Council, Prefects, and Student Athletic Council. Student Leadership opportunities are also available in a wide variety of



co-curricular activities including student action groups, sports teams, West Hill's Brick by Brick club, the Empowered Student Partnership Team and Multi-Cultural activities to name a few.



More Information about West Hill Collegiate Institute

Drama/Media

The drama/media department boasts two studios to host classes and workshops. Upgraded facilities in our auditorium are designed to meet the needs of a growing and highly successful program. School plays, dramatic arts and music performances are a highlight throughout the school year. If you don't perform on stage, become one of the members of our lighting and sound crew.



Technology

Our comprehensive technological programs offer you a wide range of skill development in the areas of auto, carpentry, manufacturing, electronics and computer technology. Our students build adirondack chairs, work on student and staff cars; produce and edit videos; and work on major projects building trailers, log splitters and garden sheds.



Special Education

West Hill C.I. is home to 3 self-contained classes designed to meet the needs of secondary school age students with developmental disabilities. These classes have 10 students, a special education teacher, educational assistants and student needs assistant. These students are supported in physical education and on excursions by our leadership students.



Student Support/Guidance

Our student services team provides you with connections to post-secondary educational options, to work opportunities and to career counselling. We have the career information and resouces you need to help plan your future. Gain valuable work experience in any area that interests you. We have two and four credit programs in partnership with the OYAP program.



Additional Features

- Music not Mischief Guitar Club
- Science & Environmental Program
- West Hill Equity & Action Team
- Resource Centre

- · Celebration of Excellence
- Competitions
- Arts Club
- Gay Straight Alliance (GSA)

For a list of all programs that are also offered visit http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Findyour/Schools.aspx?schno=4184&schoolId=1251



Student Life - Where You Belong

We celebrate our cultural diversity with multicultural celebrations, activites, committees, multifaith organizations and African Heritage Month. We are "Warriors" when it comes to athletics. Once again both our basketball teams had successful seasons. You can have fun in our many clubs, including newspaper and yearbook. Participate in our popular annual talent and multicultural shows. We also serve breakfast three mornings each week and have a homework club after school.



If you are interested in social justice, join our West Hill Action teams (WHAT) who organize Brick by Brick (where we raised \$5000.00 to build a school in a developing nation), the Terry Fox run, Run for the Cure and the CN Tower climb for United Way. Participate in the Empowered Student Partnership (ESP) program and work with our local Toronto Police Service to help keep our community safe.



What Sets Us Apart

Student leadership is a priority at West Hill. We help you transition smoothly into the grade 9 the week before school starts with our "Moving On Up" program. In addition, we organize a welcome day for all Grade 9 students in September. We offer you rewarding opportunities with our school and athletic councils, clubs, leadership retreats, peer relationships and prefects.

Participate in one of our action teams and raise awareness about social justice and human rights issues.

You will get out of school what you put into it. Get busy and get involved - an active school is a safe school!





Parent and Community Engagement

PARENT INVOLVEMENT:

- School Council meets monthly six to eight times throughout the year for updates on matters such as staffing and enrolment, and to support school activities.
- -Information Evenings, Arts Night, Parents' Nights
- -Communication with parents through our "On The Hill" newsletter.
- -Automated telephone system to inform parents of student absences **COMMUNITY:**
- -(ESP) Empowered Student Partnership with Toronto Police Service
- -Peer Relations Program with Trinity Theatre
- -Good Life Fitness partnership for physical education students
- -Drama perfomances for elementary school audiences
- -Graduating students are generously supported each year by scholarships, and bursaries from community members





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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