

Monarch Park Collegiate Institute

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GRADE RANGE: 9 to 12

Interesting Feature

International Baccalaureate Diploma Program

This distinctive program is recognized by universities around the world and is currently offered in 120 countries. The IB Diploma Program is an academically rigorous and well-rounded university preparation program. It emphasizes critical thinking skills, global awareness and involvement in the community. Students in the program will work towards both IB and Ontario Diplomas simultaneously. If you are an academically engaged student seeking a challenging and rewarding education ask us about IB @ MPC!

Go Global!

Monarch Park Collegiate is a 'Global School'; with this philosophy, we focus on Human Rights Education, Peace Education, International Development, Environmental Education and Multiculturalism. This philosophy is supported by the fact that our students and staff represent over 70 different countries and speak almost as many languages. Our multicultural community is encouraged to pursue excellence and lifelong learning. Our program also supports this philosophy in individual subject areas and in our International Baccalaureate Program. We pride ourselves on our welcoming, safe and supportive school community. Students find their place in the world at Monarch Park.

International Development Program

Monarch Park, in conjunction with Free the Children, has created an International Development program that has seen students travel to Kenya (3 times) and India to build schools. During their travels, students deepen their understanding of world issues including human rights, environmentalism, and, by embedding themselves into the communities they visit, other cultures. This work continues at the school level as demonstrated by MPC's commitment to charities that support international aid agencies and organizations.





Partnering with the Community

We have a global vision, but we also work with our local community! We work with many local agencies (The Toronto Intergenerational Partnership, Red Door Shelter, various Community Centres, and Out of the Cold programs, for example) to support community members and to provide leadership development and Co-operative Education opportunities for our students.



Learning and Environmental Special Needs

Our school is barrier free. The Independent Living Program supports students with Developmental Disabilities. These students are fully engaged in the life of our school. We also offer a program for students with physical disabilities; these students receive support in academic classes. Our students with learning disabilities are also supported by an excellent team.



The Arts at MPC

The Arts are well represented through comprehensive Dramatic Arts, Music (vocal and instrumental) and Visual/Media Arts Programs. Our dynamic Arts Department organizes Arts Nights, many Drama Presentations, participates in the Sears Festival and supports school events by providing music and tech support.



English Language Learners

The English as a Second Language (ESL) Program is extensive and helps our New Canadians study math, science, history, dramatic arts, and geography in an English-assisted environment.



Additional Features

- Pathways to College and University
- Clubs and Organizations
- Settlement Workers (New Canadians)
- Extensive Gr. Orientation Program
- Excellent Sports Teams/Facilities
- UN/Debating Teams
- Computer Labs
- Monarch Park Stadium (New in 2012!)



Student Life - Where You Belong

With 70 countries represented, we are a truly international school. We have many drama, music and film clubs, as well as clubs and organizations that reflect our diversity. Our sports teams are competitive and just keep getting better. There are also many opportunities for our students to give input into school events and direction; there is a very active Student Council, a creative and engaged Athletic Council who provide feedback and advice to the school's Administration on major and minor school issues. Our school embraces the philosophy of Global Education and we make every effort to infuse programming and extra-curricular activities with this focus. Our students come to us looking for opportunities to become engaged in their local, national and global communities; more and more our student community is bringing these ideas forward and teaching all of us how we can be better citizens. In fact, our students have won numerous community awards and recognition for their generosity of spirit. MPC encourages students to become engaged in their world!



What Sets Us Apart

Monarch Park Collegiate's diversity and engagement in real world issues creates a unique learning environment for our whole community of learners. Students and staff work together at our school to find new ways to extend our students' learning and experiences. Over several years, we have introduced new programming (IB), events, teams and clubs that the students and staff of the school have identified as being needed. Our Grade 9 Orientation program is focused on making the transition to secondary school as smooth as possible for our new grade 9's. By coming together for Moving on Up Day before school starts, sharing team building experiences at Camp Robin Hood at the end of the first week and going on a three day camp experience in October, our students know each other and have created a cohesive and positive learning environment.





Parent and Community Engagement

MPC is proud of our relationships with our parent and community partners. Our School Council is engaged in working with the school to support our students. The focus for School Council has been identified as continued communication with parents and the community through our electronic newsletter. School Council played an important role in saving the Monarch Park swimming pool and working on fundraising for Kenya and India. Community partners are too numerous to name here, but some of our key partners include Free the Children (Me to We, Leaders Today, Youth Philanthropy Initiative, Kenya Experience), Toronto Intergenerational Partnerships, Thorncliffe Park Community Centre (Settlement Worker for new Canadians), and Crescent Town Community Centre (with whom we are partnering on an after-school program for all students).



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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