

LOYOLA CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL

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April 25th, 2025

Dear Parent(s) / Guardian(s),

Please see the information below for some updates and reminders:

Culture Fest 2025: We Are Pilgrims of Hope

Loyola is thrilled to host **Culture Fest 2025** on <u>Wednesday, May 7th, 2025</u>, from 5:00pm to 8pm in our Matrix & Cafeteria. This evening is a collaboration of staff and students to celebrate the diversity of our community, while respecting the gift of the land we sustain ourselves on that is generously cared for by the Mississaugas of the Credit. Warrior families are invited to participate in an evening of cultural foods, music, performances and more!

This year's event will showcase the following pavilions: Poland, Portugal, East Asia, South Asia, Egypt, Balkans, Caribbean and Africa, Latin America, Ukraine, Middle East, and the Philippines.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under, and FREE for children under 2 and will be available only through School Cash Online.

Midterm Reports

Midterm report cards were sent out today to students' board emails.

Sports

Track and Field

We are incredibly proud of our 42 student athletes who represented our school at their first Track & Field meet at Centennial Park on Thursday, April 24th. Our students demonstrated amazing effort, sportsmanship, and school spirit throughout the day. Special congratulations to Lincoln, Declan, Olivia, Mea, Julia and Elora, who brought home medals- well done, Warriors!

Soccer

The Senior Boys Soccer team kicked off their season this past Tuesday with an exciting 2-1 win against Gonzaga. Great teamwork, solid defense, and a strong finish brought home the win. The boys then played their second game on Thursday against St. Paul and started off strong by getting the first goal. Unfortunately, St. Paul made a comeback and won the game 2-1. The Warriors look forward to their next game on Monday against Mount Carmel!

Ultimate Frisbee

The Ultimate Frisbee team has been practicing hard in preparation of their first game of the season to take place here at home on April 30th. Let's wish our warriors a fun season!

Game Development Contest

Our Loyola students attended the Annual DPCDSB Game Development Contest hosted by Sheridan College. This year's contest theme was TIME TRAVEL, a theme proposed by one of Loyola's own students Ethan Mabini. Loyola had over 30 students participate, showcasing their amazing talents. The team of Dylan D. Belcher and Matthew Hajas received an honorable mention in Stream 1 for their hard work on a Time Travel game. We are pleased to announce that a group of our students, new to game development, competed in Stream 2 of the competition and won a Bronze Medal. Their creativity, multiple game levels, and coding skills were highly praised. Congratulations to Efua Neizer Ashun, Jelina Dillon, Jordan Randall, and Michelle Nwogu on their achievement!

Graduation Ceremony Reminder

Payment for the Graduation Ceremony and the google form for gown orders are due by Wednesday April 30. Payment can be made on SchoolCashOnLine and the google form can be found in the students' graduation 2025 google classroom with code: ut5whyu.

If you have any questions please email Mrs. Ribkoff at natalie.ribkoff@dpcdsb.org

Water Guns are Prohibited

Students have been reminded during morning announcements that they are not allowed to bring water guns to school. They create safety concerns, and their use is prohibited in the school or on school grounds.

From the Drama Department

The Loyola grade 11 and 12 Drama class is thrilled to present their production of the fantasy/comedy Quest! Quest! Is the story of four heroes who are unfortunately too reluctant and busy to answer the call of a dire quest. The show will be held in the cafetorium on Wednesday May 14, 2025 at 7:00. Tickets will be available for \$5.00 on School Cash Online and will be available at the door. There will also be refreshments available. Come for the fanciful and humorous good time!

From the Math Department

After School Math Help is available every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 -3:15 in room 122. Students in grade 9,10 and 11 math this semester who would like some extra help or just a quiet space to do homework are welcome to attend.

Loyola Catholic School Council

Our next Catholic School Council meeting will take place on Monday, May 12th in our library. All parents / guardians are welcome to attend. If you are unable to attend in person, please contact me for a virtual link.

Midterm Reports April 25th (sent to student email)

Culture-FestMay 7thCatholic Education WeekMay 4-9thDrama ProductionMay 14thGrade 12 Retreat and MassMay 21stSpring ConcertMay 21st

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me or send me an email. Wishing you and your families a blessed Easter weekend ahead!

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c.c: Herman Viloria, Trustee, Mississauga Wards 2 and 8