



LOYOLA CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL

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March 28th, 2025

Dear Parent(s) / Guardian(s),

We would like to wish our Muslim students and their families a Happy Eid!



Please see the information below for some updates and reminders:

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Father Edward and Father Alex from St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish will be at our school on April 2nd to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Students will be called by grade during the three lunches to come to the chapel if they would like to receive the Sacrament.

Culture-Fest

Our Student Council is happy to report that Culture-Fest plans are well underway. This event will take place here at Loyola on May 7th to celebrate the vibrant cultural diversity of our community through food, song, and performances. Ticket information will be made available closer to the date. Students are encouraged to listen to announcements and join the organizing committee for one of the many pavilions. If you can support this initiative through any kind of donation, please contact Ms. Renda at the school.

Civvies Day

On Thursday, April 3rd Student Council has organized a paid civvies day (funds will be used to donate to ShareLife and help with the costs of our upcoming Culture-Fest). Students are asked to pay \$2 which will be collected in their homeroom and / or bring in bars of soap that will be donated to the Canadian Food for Children charity.

Grade 12 Drop Date Deadline

The last day to drop a grade 12 course without it being included in the OUAC/ OCAS is April 23rd.

Mock Trials

On Thursday March 27th, Loyola student lawyers participated in a Mock Trial Tournament at the Brampton Courthouse. After two months of preparation, the Crown and Defense Teams argued their cases in two trials in front of two Ontario Judges. The students' skills were exceptional, from their hardline questioning of witnesses to their eloquent opening and closing statements. Students also played the role of witnesses with authenticity using both their knowledge of the case and dramatic flair. Above all, our Loyola students were professional and graced the court rooms with civility. Coaches L. McCabe and L. Chorlton are incredibly proud of our Loyola Lawyers who represented our school so well: Eume Banda, Anthony Bretchkin, Louisa De Paiva, Gloria Jasson, Vita Konini, Sophie-Gabrielle Lemieux, William Love, Sakhina Mohammed, Isabella Pate, And Lily Wilkins.

Skills Competition 2025 (GIS category)

Congratulations to Rhyianne Onate and Keivon Markhali who competed at this year's Skills competition in the geographic information systems (GIS) category. The task they were presented with was to find affordable housing in the city of Brampton. Using ArcGIS students created maps to show the relationship between population, income and land use to find suitable areas. After submitting their analysis and story map, the judge awarded students 2nd place, winning the silver medal!

Ultimate Frisbee

Ultimate Frisbee tryouts will continue next week on Wednesday and Thursday in the gym afterschool. It is co-ed and open to all grades.

Girls Slo-pitch

The varsity girl's slo-pitch tryouts will begin the first week of April. Students are required to pick up a permission form from the guidance office to try out on Tues. April 1st, 2025. The dates of the tryouts will be on our announcements and listed on the permission forms.

Annual Game Development Contest

The Annual Game Development Contest at Sheridan College, Mississauga Campus is on Thurs. April 24th, 2025. Sheridan College will be hosting all DPCDSB students that are interested in game design and development. This year's contest theme is TIME TRAVEL. It was based on creating an inclusive, positive, wholistic, open-ended games. Students have this opportunity to build their portfolios for possible coop placements, college/university programs and future job opportunities. It is recommended that students spend time preparing for the DPCDSB Game Dev Contest by attending the Programming and Game Dev meetings on Thursdays in room 218 and pick up the required letter and permission forms from Mrs. Skira

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.

Important Dates:

Good Friday	April 18 th (no classes)
Easter Monday	April 21 st (no classes)
OSSLT	April 1, 3, 10 th (Grade 10 students with English in semester two)
Midterm Reports	April 25 th (sent to student email)
Culture-Fest	May 7 th
Catholic Education Week	May 4-9 th

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me or send me an email.
Wishing you a wonderful weekend ahead!

Gina Renda

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Principal
c.c: Herman Vilorio, Trustee, Mississauga Wards 2 and 8