



# LOYOLA CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent(s) / Guardian(s),

Please see the information below for some updates and reminders:

## **Pink Shirt Day: Stand Up Against Bullying**

Pink Shirt Day falls on the last Wednesday of February every year as a National Awareness Event, with the mission to create a more kind, inclusive world by raising awareness about anti-bullying initiatives. Loyola will be participating in Pink Shirt Day on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> by inviting students to wear a pink shirt or sweater along with their uniform pants and shoes. There will be activities in the atrium during all three lunches that day organized by our Spectrum group and Wellness Warriors to help raise awareness about this important issue.

## **Student Trustee Candidate**

Congratulations to Rhiyanne Onate who was elected to be our candidate in the DPCDSB's Student Trustee election which will be held on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Good Luck, Rhiyanne!

## **DECA**

Congratulations to all the Loyola business students who competed at the DECA competition in Toronto on February 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. Our students performed very well and two of them: Erica Tudose and Benjamin Marshall, qualified for the international competition which will take place in Florida in April. Thank you to all our DECA competitors for representing Loyola so well and thank you to DECA coaches Ms. Pinchak and Ms. Lo Faso for all their support of the team.

## **Black History Month**

Our much-anticipated Black History Month showcase: "Honoring Our Legacy, Celebrating Our Roots, Inspiring Our Future", will take place on February 26<sup>th</sup> here at Loyola from 7-9 pm. Tickets are available to purchase for \$10 through School Cash Online or at the door on the evening of the event. All are welcome to enjoy this celebration!

**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.

## **Sports**

### **Basketball**

The Jr. Boys Basketball team played in the first round of playoffs this past Tuesday against Castlebrooke. The Warriors were down by 13 points at half but fought back in the second half with defense to win the game 56-48. The boys play in the second round of playoffs on Tuesday February 25<sup>th</sup> at home against Clarkson. Go Warriors!

**DPCDSB Skills Competition**

Students from Loyola will be attending the DPCDSB Skills Competition on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at St. Augustine C.S.S. Loyola Students will be participating in a variety of competitions, including: coding, web design and development, IT software applications, and geographic information processing systems. We wish all our students good luck at the competition!

**Parent-Teacher Interviews**

Parent-teacher interviews for semester two will take place on Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. Details for the online booking link will be sent out after March Break.

**From the Guidance Department**

Last Day for Semester 2 Pathway Changes- Friday, February 28th, 2025

**Loyola Catholic School Council**

Our next Catholic School Council meeting will take place on Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

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

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