

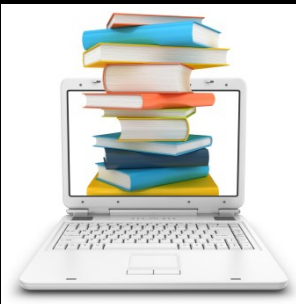


The Durham District School Board acknowledges that many Indigenous Nations have longstanding relationships, both historic and modern, with the territories upon which our school board and schools are located. Today, this area is home to many indigenous peoples from across Turtle Island. We acknowledge that the Durham Region forms a part of the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, the Mississauga Peoples and the treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation. It is on these ancestral and treaty lands that we teach, learn and live.

Anderson

Principal's Message **NEWSLETTER**

FALL 2020



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Welcome to Quadmester One and a completely different school year than we have ever had before! I am proud to be the Principal here at Anderson CVI for this 2020-2021 school year. This is my 4th year at Anderson and I have enjoyed being an administrator for nearly twelve years. Leading a school is a privilege and an opportunity to work with students, families, staff, and communities in unique and impactful ways. Raider Nation, as many refer to our school community, is a welcoming, inclusive, and safe place for *all* students to learn and achieve their best. We started this year off with being separated into two cohorts and a very different daily schedule. At least half of the school day is now virtual and we are so happy that students are back in the classroom in-person two-three times per week. We missed seeing our students' faces every day during distance learning last year. In my opinion, even though we are all wearing masks and following safety precautions, it's still better than being at home. Ms. Dawn White has also returned as our Vice Principal this year and we were both very impressed with how students returned to school safely and appreciated the chance to be back in the school. Some of our students have opted to attend Virtual School with DDSB@Home and we hope to welcome them back at some point in the future, as they are still a part of our Anderson Family.

Each year, we often see slight changes in staffing for various reasons and I would like to introduce some of our short and long-term staffing hires for this school year. We currently have Ms. Uthayasandiran, Mr. Licata-Samonig, Mr. Waleed, Ms. Slabosz, and Ms. Buying for varying lengths of time. We also welcome back Mr. Craven, Ms. Costa, and Ms. Bos. We said good-bye to Ms. Ristow, Ms. Fitzgerald, Mr. Trites, and Mme. Pleasance, who all retired at the end of last year. We also said good-bye to Mrs. Crosby who has moved to another school, continuing in the role of Vice Principal and a new opportunity. We said good-bye to several LTO teachers and wished them well in their future endeavors, along with EAs Ms. Sharpe, Ms. Laing, and Ms. Giles who also went to new schools. Please feel free to contact your son/daughter's VP (Ms. White) should you have any questions or concerns. I am also pleased to share that Police Constable Bruce continues to support us in his role as our school/community police liaison officer.

I would encourage parents to become involved in their son/daughter's high school career through their support at home or by attending virtual events at the school, such as The School Community Council (SCC). Asking students to share what they are doing on their Google Classrooms is a great way to check in and see how things are going.

Thank you to everyone for a positive and smooth first quadmester of the school year. As always, our custodians continue to work hard to keep our school clean and hazard-free, which has been especially challenging this year. Our office staff constantly supports our school community by answering any questions and liaising with students, parents, and staff in a professional and helpful manner. Our teachers and educational assistants have been busy preparing and finding new ways to improve student achievement, including using new technologies to support virtual learning.

I strongly encourage everyone to set high expectations for yourselves to make the school year a rewarding one. As school community members, whether you are students, parents, teaching staff, custodial staff, office staff, educational assistant staff, or community members, I want you to know that your support and effort in making our school a great place to be and learn is very much appreciated!

Ms. Pemberton

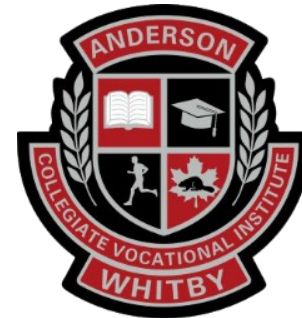
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Re-orientation

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

We held our first virtual School Community Council meeting for the 2020-2021 school year on September 29, 2020. It was great to welcome back many of last year's members and to welcome new members to the committee. We were able to hold our election for our SCC Chair and Vice-Chair and are excited to have Niki Kerr returning in the role of Chair and Tanya Haggerty also returning in the Vice-Chair position. Thank you to Ms. Drapak, our teacher rep., for providing information regarding upcoming events, including staff PD, EQAO dates and information regarding Virtual learning. We would also like to thank our Student Council Rep., Kaylee Dunn, for providing the committee with information regarding this year's Student Council and ideas for bolstering school spirit during these unprecedented times.

Thank you to all who attended and we look forward to our next meeting at 7pm on November 10, 2020. We will use the same Google Meet link all year. Email AndersonCVI@ddsb.ca for the meeting link.



Student Services

IMPORTANT DATES:

- Week of Sept. 28- Introductory University Presentations
 - Week of Oct. 12- Introductory College Presentations
 - Oct. 30- Commencement virtual video will be released at 7:00pm on YouTube
 - Week of Nov. 2- Diploma/Award pick up
 - Nov. 4 - Planning for Post-Secondary Parent Info Virtual Session 6:30 pm
 - Week of Nov. 16
 - University Application Seminars
 - Honour Roll Certificates distributed in Home Room
 - Dec. 14- ACVI University Application Deadline
- ***Post-Secondary students are reminded to continually check the Grade 12 Google Classroom for updates and links to College and University virtual tours/ liaison visits.

Providing safe learning environments is a strong and constant focus at the Durham District School Board. Families should however recognize that there is always a potential risk of injury with field trips, sports and other student activities both on and off school grounds. Accidents can happen, despite precautions to prevent them. Accidental injuries may involve medical, dental or other expenses not covered by provincial health care or employer group plans.

Please be aware that the Durham District School Board does not provide accident insurance coverage for student injuries. For your convenience, we do make available a Student Accident Insurance program through Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada. This program offers a variety of plans and benefits at affordable prices.

All rates are one-time annual premiums. The insurance agreement is between **you** and **Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada**. For complete details please refer to the *insuremykids Protection Plan* information/application form or visit their website at: www.insuremykids.com.

Any questions should be directed to Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada toll free at 1-800-463-5437.



Raider Nation stepped up once again to participate in the Terry Fox Run! Classes took to the track in order to show their support for this worthy cause. Money was raised through School Cash Online and ACVI will be making a sizeable donation to the Terry Fox Foundation. A big thank you goes out to all the students who participated and donated.



Terry Fox



Team Fox

CHROMEBOOK CARE TIPS

1. Carry your Chromebook securely.
 - when moving between classes, have two hands on your device.
2. Keep it on the desk.
 - Corners overhanging the table edge can get caught and cause falls.
3. Keep it dry.
 - Don't leave your Chromebook in a backpack in the rain or on the snow, water can soak up and damage your device.
4. Close the lid
 - When carrying your device, keep it closed up.
5. Watch your backpack.
 - Devices are easily knocked off desk by your bag. Be careful turning around with your bag.
6. Charge at home.
 - Bring your Chromebook home at night and charge it there. Leave your cord at home so it doesn't get lost. Make this a habit.
7. Get a case.
 - Consider using a Chromebook sleeve or cover to add some additional protection.





TENTATIVE

Oct 12	Thanksgiving Holiday
Oct 13	Quadmester 1—Term 2 Begins
Oct 13-16	Parent-Guardian/Teacher Interviews by appointment only
Oct 23	Progress Reports available on Parent Portal
Oct 30	7pm Virtual Commencement Ceremony
Nov 10	7pm SCC Virtual Meeting
Nov 11	Remembrance Day
Nov 13	PD Day
Nov 16	Quadmester 2 Begins
Nov 25	Quadmester 1 Final Report Cards
Dec 17	Quadmester 2—Term 2 Begins
Dec 21-Jan 1	Winter Break
Feb 1	Quadmester 2 Ends

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School Community Council

Anderson's S.C.C. invites parents
to attend our next virtual meeting on

November 10 at 7pm

SCC Chair: Niki Kerr

Email AndersonCVI@ddsb.ca for
the Google Meet link



Black Youth Helpline

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Helping Canada's children and youth remain and succeed in school and community.

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NATIONAL HELPLINE:

BRIDGING CULTURES FOR YOUTH SUCCESS IN SCHOOLS & COMMUNITY

WHAT WE DO

- Serve as the point of contact and support for youth, parents, schools, and key stakeholders who work with youth.
- Help youth and families address their concerns in the school system and in their communities.
- Help schools and other youth serving organizations understand and effectively manage the most vulnerable children and the multicultural challenges of working across cultures.
- Ultimately, we work in partnership to help achieve the best possible outcome for each child/youth/family.

HOW

- A National Consultation Team from across Canada will support National Office, staff and volunteers in service delivery. Representation reflects the rich diversity of peoples, culture, beliefs, knowledge, professions and churches/Faith Based Organizations.

WHY

- 25 years of Black Youth Helpline (BYH) experience has proved informing. We must Intervene on behalf of youth with complex needs before severe problems arise.
- Needed are primary prevention approaches including a focus on parents and schools at the earliest possible point.
- A significant body of literature underline that suspensions and dismissals from schools are 3-4 times higher for vulnerable children.
- The word "drop-out" is often a misnomer. Repeated suspensions and dismissals fuel school failure and push students out of schools (Wilson, 2014). "We need to comprehend fully why schools fail some youths and conversely, why some students are failing school" (Dei, 1996).
- By helping youth, parents and schools succeed we increase the chances for productive futures for Canada's children.

AT THE DDSB

YOU MATTER

AND WE BELIEVE...

EACH STUDENT IS

UNIQUE

EACH STUDENT IS

VALUED

EACH STUDENT IS

WELCOME

EACH STUDENT IS

SUPPORTED

EACH STUDENT HAS AN

**IMPORTANT
VOICE**

WE ARE

**STRONGER
TOGETHER**



THE DDSB

4 R'S OF ADDRESSING

BULLYING

WE WILL...

RECOGNIZE

BULLYING

WE WILL...

REFUSE

TO ACCEPT BULLYING

WE WILL...

REPORT

BULLYING TO AN ADULT

WE WILL...

RESTORE

RELATIONSHIPS

WE ARE



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TOGETHER**

