

Dear OCDSB Students,

Thank you for your understanding as we worked to transition in-person classes to remote learning this week.

OCDSB Battle of the Schools Spirit Competition

OCDSB Battle of the Schools (BOTS) is a district-wide spirit competition taking place April 26-30. Organized by the OCDSB Student Senate and Presidents' Council, BOTS includes spirit days as well as an online scavenger hunt and a district-wide Kahoot. High schools from all across the district will compete in order to see which school can accumulate the most points.

You can win points for your school by participating in the spirit days. The top three schools in both events will also receive points. The winning school gets their name on the BOTS trophy, a donation to the Education Foundation of Ottawa on behalf of their school, a small prize for each student of that school, and of course, bragging rights.

If you are interested in learning more, please visit the Student Senate Instagram @ocdsbstudentsenate, visit your school's Student Council Instagram account, or get in contact with your school's Student Council members. Get ready to show your school spirit!

Outdoor recreation restrictions

Under the Ontario Stay-at-Home Order, recreation amenities, including public sports fields; ball diamonds; basketball, tennis and pickleball courts; skateboard parks; picnic tables; and outdoor fitness stations in the City of Ottawa and at the OCDSB are closed. Walking, running and cycling through parks is permitted. [Learn more.](#)

Mid-School Year Check-In - Results

Earlier this year, we shared results from our Mid-School Year Check-In Survey, where 12,365 participants shared 17,052 thoughts. We have continued to review the feedback and work to address the comments and concerns that were voiced. [Learn more about the work we are doing.](#)

2021 Summer School (Grade 9-12) - Registration Now Open

The OCDSB Grade 9-12 Summer School Program for 2021 is open for registration. Offerings include eLearning, Reach Ahead, Co-op and more (available on a first-come, first-served basis). More information, including how to register and a list of our program offerings, is available [on our website.](#)

Scholarship Information

Check out the Planning for Post-Secondary Studies webpage for information on scholarships, bursaries, awards, and other resources for students. Deadlines are fast approaching. [Learn more here](#) or contact your Guidance department.

Secondary Report Cards (Grades 9-12)

Report cards for Grades 9-12 students have been emailed to parents and guardians. Your OEN is the password to access the report card. When entering the OEN, please include the hyphens (dashes). For Frequently Asked Questions and additional information, visit ocdsb.ca/reportcards. For any questions or concerns regarding the email address or the OEN, please ask your parents and guardians to contact your school. Students over the age of 18 can contact their school if they wish to access their own report cards.

Indigenous Speaker Series - April 27th, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m

Plan to attend the OCDSB Indigenous Speakers Series “Mending the Net,” a virtual talk with Jaime Morse. [Visit our website](#) to learn more and access the livestream link.

COVID-19 Vaccine update

At this time, there are not yet vaccines approved for individuals under the age of 16. However, with the recent announcement of access to the AstraZeneca vaccine for persons 40+, please encourage your family members to book an appointment if they are able.

Continue to check the Ottawa Public Health [COVID-19 vaccine page](#) for updates, current eligibility criteria and sign up for the OPH vaccine newsletter. Information is updated frequently.