

2018 ~ 2019 Graduating Year Calendar

Keep in a convenient location for future reference i.e. the fridge door, bulletin board, etc.

SEPTEMBER

- ☞ Ensure all requirements for OSSD will be met (credit counts, literacy completion and community involvement)
- ☞ Liaison visits - Guidance announcements, website and planner - sign ups before day of presentation
- ☞ Consider registering for SAT if planning on U.S. schools - see Mr. Bedard
- ☞ Toronto University Fair Date: Sept. 29-30, 2018
Research programs and schools thoroughly using Guidance resources, tours, liaison visits and Internet sites. www.myblueprint.ca, www.ouac.on.ca, www.ontariocolleges.ca
- ☞ Ensure that you have a valid, active e-mail account with an appropriate address. It is **REQUIRED** for the online applications.

NOVEMBER

- ☞ P.A. Day – Great day for campus tours!
- ☞ Mid Term Report Date: Nov. 15, 2018
- ☞ **Full Disclosure Date:** Nov. 21, 2018
- ☞ **Sign Up for a Guidance On-line application instruction Session**– Students begin college and university application process.

University application:

OUAC fee is \$ 150 for 3 choices + \$ 50 for each additional choice.

College application:

Ontariocolleges fee is \$ 95 for a maximum of 5 choices (max of 3 choices at one school) – *Lambton College will assist with payment for all Lambton College applications!*

JANUARY

- ☞ Return from Christmas Break
- ☞ Deadline for online university application to OUAC
Date: Jan. 16, 2019
- ☞ OUAC will send an Acknowledgement directly to the applicant as soon as the application and fee have been processed – review for accuracy and file in this folder
- ☞ Exams
- ☞ Prepare portfolio and book auditions if applicable
- ☞ Guidance will help you with any application concerns. Don't panic; Come see us.
- ☞ Finalize college application decisions; **Applications are due Feb. 1, 2019** keep your life easier by applying earlier
- ☞ Semester-1-Only grads – follow through on all matters pertaining to your graduation process and come in if you need help

OCTOBER

- ☞ Liaison visits continue
- ☞ Tours - check bulletin boards & websites - book tours online or by phone
- ☞ SAT info session: Oct. 2, 2018
- ☞ Check Awards Bulletin for early scholarship deadlines
GLSS uni appl'n session: Oct. 9 11:45, college: Oct. 10 9:45
- ☞ College Information Program Date: Oct. 16, 2018
Location: Lambton College
Time: 10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.
- ☞ University Information Program Date: Nov. 5, 2018
Location: St. Pat's
Time: 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

DECEMBER

- ☞ Students continue with online applications
- ☞ Print a copy of your completed application and payment information and keep in a folder
- ☞ Students are responsible for verifying accuracy of data transmission to the application centre. Check the online records and report any discrepancies to Guidance.
- ☞ Submit and pay for your application before the deadline. You can continue to make changes after submitting it, right up to the deadline date. Don't get caught in the deadline rush!
- ☞ GRAD pictures

Note that OUAC applications are due 10 days after our return from Christmas Break.

FEBRUARY

- ☞ Last day for equal consideration of college applications AND earliest admission offers from colleges
Date: Feb. 1, 2019
- ☞ Semester 2 begins
- ☞ OCAS will send an Acknowledgement directly to the applicant as soon as the application and fee have been processed – review for accuracy and file in this folder
- ☞ Review university/college choices in light of Semester 1 grades. Be realistic about your choices and make changes if needed.
- ☞ Return Personal Info forms and other supplementary forms to university/college if requested

MARCH

- ☞ Review Financial Bulletin to apply for bursaries and scholarships – Request letters of recommendation at least a week in advance – YMCA COY awards!
- ☞ Waterloo applicants may be required to write Math & Physics contests
- ☞ Plan to attend March Break Open Houses
- ☞ Late March/early April – universities may make some early offers of admission
- ☞ Scholarships are usually extended with the offer of admission. These are often conditional on the final course grades. Keep your marks up!
- ☞ **Meet all residence application deadlines and requirements**

APRIL

- ☞ Mid Term Report Date: April 25, 2019
 - ☞ P.A. Day – Book Campus Visits
 - ☞ **Make sure you click “Submit” when accepting any online residence or admission offer;** they won't get your response unless this is done! (And then they'll give your spot away and your world will come crashing down – CLICK 'SUBMIT'!)
- If placed on a waiting list, be sure to confirm your continued interest by telephone while you accept a 2nd choice offer
- ☺ **Be sure to have a personal email address as your email for post-secondary since your LKDSB email won't work once you are no longer a student with the LKDSB!**

MAY

- ☞ Confirmation of college program acceptance forms must be received at OCAS Deadline: May 1, 2019
 - ☞ **Full Disclosure Date: May 2, 2019**
 - ☞ Final date for Ontario university responses to secondary school applicants (offer, refusal, or deferral/wait list)
Date: May 29, 2019
 - ☞ Earliest date by which Ontario universities may require a response and a financial commitment to an offer of admission Date: June 3, 2019
 - ☞ Prepare OSAP forms online; finalize and submit after making your acceptance decision – OSAP applications are submitted directly to the destination school
- ALL offers are conditional upon students meeting all graduation and admission requirements.**

JUNE

- ☞ Earliest date that any Ontario college may require a financial commitment Date: June 15, 2019
- ☞ Final exams – Many scholarships are calculated on final mark results: Keep those marks up through exams!
- ☞ Complete graduation info forms and return to Guidance – June 1, 2019 – deadline for scholarship essays and LKDSB scholarship and bursary forms.
- ☞ Dr. Gladly, Seaway Kiwanis, Ian Hodgkinson, Libro, Bethel, St. Clair Conservation, Susan Moffatt ** all have individual application forms
- ☞ Submit online OSAP application
- ☞ Advise Guidance of any awards you receive.
- ☞ GRAD: June 6, 2019

Get psyched for the next awesome phase of your life!

JULY & AUGUST

- ☞ Final marks sent to OUAC and Ontariocolleges
- ☞ Any outstanding tuition and residence fees are due
- ☞ Schedule university courses as early as possible to ensure your first choices. You may have a specific date for course selection
- ☞ Visit your campus
- ☞ Plan to attend Orientation days

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

Meet all deadlines

- ☺ If in doubt - check it out!
- ☺ See a Guidance Counsellor with concerns
- ☺ Call post-secondary schools with specific questions - a guidance phone is available - always make notes about any conversation, include names, dates, specifics, etc.
- ☺ Keep all records in your folder - receipts, cancelled cheques, forms, student numbers, SIN, etc.
- ☺ Open all your mail. Notify schools if you change your address.
- ☺ **Be sure to have a personal email address as your email for post-secondary since your LKDSB email won't work once you are no longer a student with the LKDSB!**
- ☺ Write tests, attend interviews, complete questionnaires and submit other forms by stated deadlines – Avoid jeopardizing your acceptance.