YELLOW SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION:

Students are eligible for transportation if they attend their home school **and** their residence is greater than 2.5 kilometres away. Students are also eligible for transportation if they attend a school other than their home school, for a Board-approved program, and their residence is greater than 2.5 kilometres away. **Detailed information**



is available at <u>www.nsts.ca</u>. Bus information for students will be available by logging into the secure parent portal at www.nsts.ca. Transportation details will be available on the NSTS website on August 17, 2015.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS:

Semester 1 Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on October 15, 2015 and on March 23, 2016 during Semester 2.

An invitation is extended to all parents and quardians to attend. This will give you an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and discuss their progress.

PROGRESS REPORT DATES:

October 8, 2015 March 11, 2016

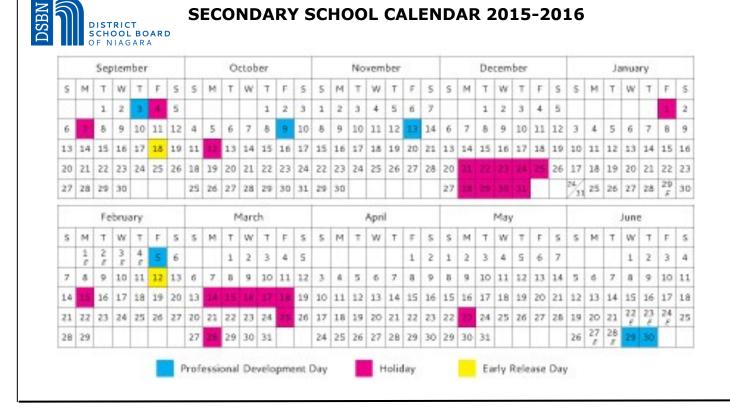
PICTURE DAY:

Picture Day is booked for Thursday, October 1, 2015. More information about the photo packages will be available when classes resume in September.



HOUR REPUBLIC & COMMUNITY HOURS:

We encourage students to fulfill the 40 hour community involvement requirement as early as possible in their high school career. The DSBN is now using an online system, "Hour Republic" for students to submit and track Community Involvement Hours. Your child can access the link through the e-learning portal on our website.







August 1, 2015

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope everyone has had a relaxing summer and is ready to return to school refreshed and ready for the challenges and exciting opportunities that a new school year can offer.

We would like to welcome all of our returning and new students to St. Catharines Collegiate for the 2015-2016 school year. A special welcome is extended to our incoming Grade 9's as they join our school community.

Collegiate is one of the most diverse and exciting schools in all of Niagara, offering a wide range of programs to suit every learning style and interest. We also have a long tradition of excellence in extra-curricular activities from sports and clubs to skills competitions and drama and musical performances.

The staff at Collegiate is looking forward to working with all of our students in the upcoming year, helping each one rise to his/her full learning potential. In this brochure, you will find all of the information needed for registration and the school year startup. If you have any questions about our programs or your student's progress, please feel free to contact us so we can work together.

Tammy Zonneveld Principal

Mike Pastore Vice-Principal Linda Oliverio Administrator



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Where should I go?

St. Catharines Collegiate 34 Catherine Street, St. Catharines Foyer - enter through main doors

When should I register?

Grade 9's	Monday, August 31, 2015	11am - 3pm
Gr. 10, 11 & 12	Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2015	9am - 2pm
Gr. 10, 11 & 12	Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2015	9am - 2pm
First Day of School	Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2015	8:10 - 2:10

It is essential that students register on the grade specific, scheduled date. This will help to avoid long waits to register and to see a quidance counsellor.

What should I bring?

- Student Verification Form (Please review information, make any corrections and sign)
- Please review and sign the following:
 - Consent for Technology Programs
 - Consent for Science Programs
 - Digital Citizen Agreement
 - Permission to Participate in Physical Education Classes
 - Anaphylaxis (if applicable)
 - School Council Candidate Form

All forms are required and must be completed and signed before timetables can be distributed.

Are there any costs to register?

There will be no fees or costs charged to students to participate in the regular day school program. Students enrolled in secondary schools in the District School Board of Niagara can expect to be provided with the basic classroom learning resources that are required in order to complete the course expectations. Fees may be charged where the student chooses to upgrade the material or where purchase of materials is optional (ie: construction upgrade in the type of wood used, some visual arts materials, etc.)

Student Activity Fee: \$35.00

This fee helps to offset the cost of student events and extra-curricular activities. (non-refundable after 60 days of attendance)

Graduation Fee: \$30.00

For all graduating students. This fee covers the cost of the cap and gown rental.

Yearbooks: \$35.00

Orders for yearbooks can be taken at registration for those interested.

Locks: \$6.00

Locks can be purchased from registration or students can provide their own combination lock. Each student must have their own lock (no sharing). Lockers are assigned on the first day of school by the homeroom teacher.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Please note that the first day of class is Tuesday, September 8, 2015. This is a regular school day beginning at 8:10 am. We will be hosting a welcome breakfast for all Grade 9 students which will take place in the cafeteria from 7:45 to 8:10 am.

STUDENT HANDBOOK:

The student handbook contains useful information for both students and parents. The handbook can be found in .pdf format on our website homepage at www.collegiate.ca

Grade 9's can also visit www.dsbn.org/makethemove

This is an important reminder to please call the school at 905-687-7301 extension 65710 to report any absences. Parents/Guardians must contact the school for any absence of your child under the age of 18. A phone call before 8 am, from you, indicating your child will be absent on that day help us ensure that our attendance records are accurate. Any unverified absences will result in a phone call home and possible disciplinary action for your child.

SCHOOL COUNCIL:

The Collegiate Parent Council provides a valuable forum for the discussion of issues that have an impact on the learning environment of a school. The School Council provides input to the Principal and a communications link to parents/guardians in order that the school's policies, programs, services and procedures serve the needs of the school community. If you are interested, please complete the School Council Candidate Form and return it to the school during registration. Parent Council meets 4 times per year. Dinner is provided.



SCHOOL ABSENCES: