

October 8, 2026



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MDHS

Grade 7-8

High School Information Evening



THURS, OCT 22
from 6:30 – 8:30



Meet our staff
and administration



Learn about our
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Get answers to
your questions



Discover what
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We look forward to welcoming our future Mustangs!



**Register your child and complete the \$25
payment through the Online Link**

Deadline for registration is October 16th, at 9am

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Creating a safe, caring, and inclusive school environment requires ongoing partnership between home and school. When issues arise, our priority is to take every concern seriously.

We work with students to help them understand the impact of their words and actions, take responsibility, repair relationships, and build practical conflict-resolution skills. Thank you for continuing these important conversations at home. If you ever have concerns about your child's well-being at school, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.



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Dear Bruce Trail Families,

What a wonderful week we've had here at Bruce Trail School! With the Terry Fox event that took place at Bruce Trail and the Cross Country event at Sherwood Forest Park where hundreds of our students were able to experience a fun day outdoors to represent our school. On Wednesday, students were able to participate in a whole school learning journey around Truth and Reconciliation Day. Thank you to all the teachers who volunteered their time to plan and organize learning activities as well as run practices for students. Over 300 students were able to have an amazing day because of them!

Teachers are continuing to offer Volleyball and Basketball try-outs and practices for students. Because of them, so many students are trying out for these teams and enjoying the practices. Of course we wish all students could make the teams. Ultimately we hope all students who try out have the opportunity to have fun with friends and learn new skills so they can improve for the next opportunity.

October is National Bullying Prevention Month. Teachers have also been engaging in professional development and meeting before school to plan how we can improve wellness for students at school by helping students to identify bullying and also strategies to respond to bullying. Stay tuned for more information!

I know I speak for the entire community when I express our gratitude for all the educators who work extra hard to make Bruce Trail the wonderful school it is!

Reminder: **Student Safety Reminder**

Student safety is always our top priority. Please take extra care when driving near the school, particularly at intersections where we have crossing guards. When the crossing guard's stop sign is out, **all vehicles must stop and remain stopped until all students have safely crossed the road.** Keeping our students safe is everyone's responsibility. Please slow down, remain alert, and follow all traffic laws as students travel to and from school each day.

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We Scare Hunger

Small items make a big difference!

Monday, Oct 5th to Friday, Nov 6th

Students can bring in non-perishable food items to support the drive.

SOUP, TUNA, BEANS, PASTA SAUCE, RICE

FOOD DRIVE



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Bullying can be:

- Physical – hitting, pushing or hurting someone
- Verbal – name-calling, teasing or making hurtful comments
- Social – leaving someone out, spreading rumours or encouraging others not to include them
- Online – using texts, social media or other online spaces to hurt or embarrass someone

What Bullying Is NOT

Not every disagreement, argument or unkind moment is bullying. Students may have conflicts, make mistakes, say something hurtful, or have difficulty getting along. These situations are still important and may need adult support, but they do not necessarily meet the definition of bullying.

At school, we take all concerns seriously. We help students understand the impact of their actions, repair relationships when possible, and learn safe and respectful ways to solve problems.



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- Wednesday, Oct 7, 2026 • 10:00 AM
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September 25, 2026

Dear Bruce Trail Families,

What a wonderful week we've had here at Bruce Trail School! With the beautiful weather, our students have been enjoying lots of time outdoors, making the most of their recesses and opportunities to learn and play outside.

Inside the classroom, students have been busy learning, collaborating, and growing each day. We are so proud of the enthusiasm and effort we are seeing across the school! A big thank you to the dedicated teachers who have been volunteering their lunch breaks to organize Terry Fox, helping our students prepare for Cross Country and Challenger Cross Country! Also, teachers have been spending their lunch breaks and after school time hosting volleyball and basketball practices for boys and girls. Their time, encouragement, and support have helped our students build their skills and confidence.

We know our students are going to have an amazing time at the Terry Fox event and the Cross Country Meets! We are so proud of all of our students for their hard work, perseverance, and school spirit!

Next week will be an important one as we come together as a school community to learn, reflect, and remember. On September 28, students will participate in our Terry Fox event, celebrating Terry's legacy and his commitment to making a difference. On September 30, Orange Shirt Day, students will engage in meaningful learning about Truth and Reconciliation, helping us deepen our understanding of the experiences and histories of Indigenous peoples and our shared responsibility to move forward with respect and understanding.

Thank you to our students, staff, and families for making Bruce Trail such a wonderful place to learn and grow!

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BT Spirit Wear: Get Your Blazer Gear!
Equip yourself with the latest Blazer Gear and show your school pride!

HOW TO ORDER

Visit schooltee.com
Access the online store directly to browse and place your spirit wear order.

Use Access Code: **BRUC.MIL**
Enter this specific code at checkout to ensure your order is processed correctly.

Deadline: Friday, October 2nd, 2026
All online orders must be submitted by this date to be included.

SHOW YOUR SPIRIT
FRIDAY BLAZER GEAR DAYS
Staff and students are encouraged to wear their Blazer Gear every Friday.

Online Store Link:
<https://schooltee.com>
Access Code: BRUC.MIL



Explore Secondary Programs

Saturday, September 26, 2026

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Craig Kielburger Secondary School, Milton

- For **Grades 6–10 students and families**
- Explore **programs, pathways, academics, athletics, clubs and student life**
- Learn about the **new Oakville Secondary School**, opening in 2027
- Discover **APEX**, HDSB's first regional sports program
- **Register:** hdsb.ca/openhouse

Kiss and Ride REMINDER

A gentle reminder to all families: our Kiss and Ride lane is designed exclusively for **quick drop-offs and pick-ups**.

To keep our students safe and traffic moving smoothly, **please do not park or leave your vehicle unattended** in this lane.

If you prefer to park and walk your child to the school entrance, please use the main parking lot or the overflow lot located behind the park.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school community safe and efficient!

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Help 400 HDSB Students Start School with Confidence ♥

As students across our community head back to school, some will arrive without the basics they need: a backpack, school supplies, or even lunch. The **Halton Learning Foundation (HLF)**, thanks to our generous community, is here to help.

HLF launched its Back-to-School campaign, with the help of its cheerful helper, **Carrie the Backpack**, to support **400 HDSB students by September 30.**

Families are counting on this support, and HLF is asking our generous community to step in urgently so they can continue to say **"YES"** to every request for emergency support they receive.

Backpacks **School Supplies** **Lunches**

Halton Learning Foundation
SUPPORTING STUDENTS. BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES.

Together we can make a difference! ♥

Carrie the Backpack

Please help us **SAY "YES"** to every request!

Make a gift for a student in need today: [Donate Now](#)

Together, we can give students not just supplies, but confidence, dignity, and hope.

Woodview YODA Programs – Fall 2026

Woodview Mental Health is currently accepting referrals for its Fall 2026 YODA programs for youth and parents across Halton Region to support children and families. Please click on the images below to view the flyers.

YODA Programs
Youth Overcoming Depression & Anxiety

Skill-building for youth mental wellness.
Woodview's YODA Programs help students in Grades 6, 7, and 8 build skills to manage depression and anxiety. This is a peer program run all year, with sessions in spring, summer, fall, and winter. YODA Programs focus on improving social and emotional well-being. In small groups, youth and their families learn service ways to support their mental health. The program offers different group themes and flexible schedules to meet the needs of families in Halton.

YODA Programs help youth reach their full potential.
Through a variety of evidence-based approaches including Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT), Emotional Behaviour Therapy (EBT), and Emotional Focused Family Therapy (EFFT), young people will learn:

- SELF**
Identify and understand their own feelings and how they affect their thoughts and actions.
- RELATIONSHIP**
Develop skills to build positive relationships with others.
- PROBLEM-SOLVING**
Identify and understand their own feelings and how they affect their thoughts and actions.

YODA Programs

- Youth group** empowers youth with skills and strategies that help them manage challenging feelings.
- Parent group** empowers caregivers with skills and strategies so they can effectively support their young person.
- Family group** focuses on supporting families for having both support and youth attend the program.

How to make a referral:
Referrals to YODA can be made by caregivers, school staff or members of the community.

Service providers can contact: **Michelle A. Brown, RSW**
Social Worker (416) 270-1000 ext. 2000

Family members can call the 416-270-1000 to speak with a system navigator to complete the YODA referral.

For more information about YODA, please contact:
Nancy Brown, RSW
Social Worker (416) 270-1000 ext. 2000

Woodview

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28th ~ Terry Fox Walk

29th ~ Cross Country Meet (grades 3-8)

30th ~ Truth and Reconciliation Day (Orange Shirt Day)

Oct 1~ Cross Country Meet (Grades 3-8)

Oct 2~ Spiritwear orders due

