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Year 11 (Class of 2025) Year in Review

Overview and Reflection

Year 11 is a year of transitioning into the DP and much of the year is learning how to “do” and “think” in the program. In addition, Y11s continue to build community with various co-educational and community experiences. They also begin to envision themselves in more formal leadership positions. Please find below a list of planned experiences outside the classroom, in Advising and in the DP Seminar sessions for this school year. The selection of photos below provide a glimpse of the Year 11 experience from last year.

Year 11 co-educational and community experiences 2023–24

- Amazing Race at Norval (Year 9 and Year 11 mentors) — September 19
 - Wellbeing day at Norval (Year 8 and Year 11 mentors) — October 11
 - Ongoing Year 8 and 11 mentorship sessions
 - Stewards’ Dance — Happy Halloween — October 27
 - Fall Music Night — November 7
 - Year 10 and Year 11 Dance — date to be confirmed
 - Upper School Winter Play — December 4 to 5
 - Year-level Celebration Assemblies — December and May
 - COSSOT Social — January (tentative)
 - Senior Jazz Trip — February 26 to 27
 - World Affairs Conference (WAC) — March 5
 - Regional Music Fest and Humber College Jazz Festival — February
 - Nuit Bleue — April 11
 - Year 11/Year 12 Student directed plays — April
 - Senior Music Trip — April 18 to 19
 - RELAY for Life — May 2
 - Post exams Year 11 optional Norval trip — June 17 to 20 (tentative)
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Advising themes and topics

- Learning
 - Personal goal setting and study skills; Reflecting on learning
 - Study and exam prep strategies
- Healthy relationships
 - Responsible sexual citizenship
 - Anti-bullying and upstander behaviour
- Pluralism
 - Truth and Reconciliation, Black History Month, International Women's Day
 - Affinity spaces, action groups and allyship
 - Gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation
 - Taking action against gender-based violence
- Wellbeing
 - Men's health and wellbeing, Healthy Masculinities
- Community
 - Leadership and mentorship
 - Responsible digital citizenship
 - Making connections with younger grades

The **Adviser** plays a central role in the development and wellbeing of the students in their assigned group. As point person, they communicate with all individuals connected to this student to help them become their best self and feel supported at the College. Below you will find a list of our Y11 Advising team by House. It is beneficial to make an **3-way conference appointment** with your Student's **Adviser**

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| ● BR Catherine McRoy-Mendell | ● MO Bella Di Stefano |
| ● HO Tony Gomes | ● OR Joseph Bush |
| ● JA Colleen Ferguson | ● SC Chandra Boon |
| ● MA Christin Mohammed-King | ● SE Andrew McCubbin , Dylan Parry-Lai |
| ● MH Suzanne Monir | ● WE Christian Heffernan , Scott Del Zotto |



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DP Seminar themes and topics

- Introduction to the DP: TOK, EE, CAS, UCO
 - Ongoing guidance and support for [Extended Essay](#) — Research, ongoing reflection, annotated bibliography, outlines, using MB and BS, EE week, etc.
 - [CAS](#) explained — Community, Action and Service (experiences and Project) — October, April
 - UCO — University Prep — Process and guidance — January, April
 - Information sessions on Math IA — February
 - Exam Prep — Academic Strategies, Self-care, Stress-management
 - End of Year Celebration
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Y11 Highlights from the 2022-2023 school year

Advising Sessions: Y8 and Y11 conversations; Messages to important women in Y11s lives.



DP Seminars: University preparation with Mr. Hann; How to do research with Ms. Roughneen, (librarian); Study strategies with Ms. Barnes (CFL)



Leadership: Y11 Mentors at Norval; World Affairs Conference; Y9-Y11 Mentoring



Socials: Stewards' Dance (Greece vs Grease); Benchball at Branksome; Y10-11 Dance (Suits and Sequins)



Community Events: A-Day; Holidays at Lonsdale; Relay for Life.



Service: Clean-up at Cherry Beach

