

UGDSB TOGETHER

Monthly communications updates from the Upper Grand DSB

Every Day Counts!

We understand life can get busy, but we want to remind you of the importance of regular attendance at school. Every day your child is in school, they're gaining valuable lessons and experiences that contribute to their growth and success. Let's work together to ensure our students make the most of their educational journey. Remember, every day they're here, they're growing, learning, and achieving. And we are here to support them!

School & Board Information

Student Career Fairs

Did you know? The Career Education Council (CEC) is hosting multiple career fairs this spring with a diverse selection of career, employment and community pathways. These one-stop career, education, and resource fairs provide students, their families and the community with the opportunity to connect with businesses, educational institutions, volunteer opportunities, and community organizations. [Please check the CEC website for April events.](#)

Mental Health Literacy for Grade 7 / 8 Students

Starting in April and May, the UGDSB will be delivering modules to grade 7/8 students to enhance mental health literacy. Students will receive lessons on mental health during their Health and Physical Education classes. It is important to note that this is not new learning; this is a way to enhance the delivery of the existing curriculum and focus on mental health literacy. [Check out resources on the UGDSB's Mental Health for Parents/Guardians website, to help you learn alongside your child/ren.](#)

Long-Term Accommodation Plan (LTAP) Final Report

At the March 2024 Finance and Facilities Committee Meeting, Upper Grand District School Board Trustees received the "Long Term Accommodation Plan (LTAP) Final Report." The report will now be taken to the Board Meeting on April 9, 2024, for approval by Trustees, where there will be an opportunity to delegate ([procedure](#)) to speak on the report. [For more information on the LTAP and the LTAP Final Report, please visit the UGDSB website.](#)





School Calendars

Are you planning for next year? The Ministry of Education has approved the School Year Calendars for the 2024-25 school year in the UGDSB. These calendars outline the school days, PA Days and holidays for the school year. The calendars must meet all of the requirements under Ontario Regulation 304.

[To view next year's calendars and to access this year's calendars, please visit the board website.](#)

Stories Around the UGDSB

Drayton Heights PS students form Wild Girlz art club

A group of junior girls from Drayton Heights Public School, have formed an art club at school, named Wild Girlz. This group met almost daily for the first few weeks after its formation to create art in the school library with their teacher. These students were so committed to the artworks they were creating, they opted to gather as a club instead of going outside for recess. Their teacher framed the final art pieces and submitted them to an art show, which debuted in March at Silence Guelph. The show is running to May 3, 2024. [Learn more here!](#)

The Elementary Skills Competition is back!

The UGDSB is thrilled to announce the upcoming Elementary Skills Competition, set to take place in April at the University of Guelph. Designed to showcase the talents and abilities of elementary school students, participants will engage in a variety of skill-testing activities; the competition promises a day filled with excitement and friendly rivalry. [Learn more here!](#)

