

Parent Handbook 2025 – 2026

EARL HAIG



EARL HAIG SECONDARY SCHOOL
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www.earlhaig.ca

Important notice:

Some dates and/or events listed in the Parent Handbook, may be subject to change and/or cancellation. Please continue to follow all email correspondence via School Messenger.

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Vice-Principals:

Susan Hantzakos

(A-Hs)

Galen Szeto

(Hu-Pang)

Praboda Kolomba-Tantri

(Par-Z)

Superintendent: Ainsworth Morgan

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Student Services

416-395-3210 ext. 20040

Claude Watson Office

416-395-3210 ext. 20137

The mission of the Toronto District School Board is to enable all students to reach high levels of achievement and to acquire the knowledge, skills and values they need to become responsible members of a democratic society.

We value:

- *Each and every student*
- *A strong public education system*
- *A partnership of students, schools, family and community*
- *The uniqueness and diversity of our students and our community*
- *The commitment and skills of our staff*
- *Equity, innovation, accountability and accessibility*
- *Learning environments that are safe, nurturing, positive and respectful*

SCHOOL MOTTO, MASCOT AND COLOURS

Our motto is **Carpe Diem**, a part of a Latin poem which urges people to **Seize the Day** or **Enjoy Every Minute**, a feeling that each Haiger should have during and after school. As a play on the words of the school motto, a fish, “The Carpe” is a symbol of the school. If you see a large blue fish wandering the halls, give it a hug...it is our mascot. Blue and White are the traditional school colours. Many thousands of people throughout Ontario and beyond have a special regard for our colours and our school song

EARL HAIG



EARL HAIG! ALMA MATER!

WE RAISE YOUR BANNERS FAR AND WIDE

EARL HAIG! EVERY SON AND DAUGHTER

SINGS YOUR PRAISE AND HAILS YOUR NAME WITH PRIDE

CARPE DIEM! WE'RE GOING TO SEIZE THE DAY TODAY

CARPE DIEM! WE'RE AIMING HIGH! HIGH! HIGH!

EARL HAIG! SCHOOL OF HAPPY MEMORIES

BLUE AND WHITE WE'LL PROUDLY FLY

CARPE! CARPE! CARPE! DIEM! DIEM! DIEM!

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STAFF BY DEPARTMENT 2025-2026 (as of August 27, 2025)

BUSINESS

S. Karam
R. Allan
A. Cho**
M. Currie
W. Nguyen
D. Sherman
G. Yoon

CAREERS

E. James
E. Moscovitch
G. Priestley
B. Spencer

COMPUTERS

M. Ellenbogen
A. Feng
M. Saleem

CO-OP

M. Altwerger
T. Mantziouras
M. Thorpe

DANCE

T. Lee Blight
L. Nienhuis
T. Stewart

DRAMA

L. Kurtz
J. Harkness
W. Krekeler

ENGLISH

E. Wry
M. Ahumada
N. Anastasakis
K. Dos Santos
C. Fallowfield
J. Harkness**
J. Hughes
C. Khan
M. Khazak
W. Krekeler
B. Kwok
H. Lin
F. Lue
E. Moscovitch
K. Parrish
G. Pavlovic
M. Peterson
D. Schwartz
C. Singer
B. Spencer
T. Yan**

Semester 1*

Semester 2**

ESL

P. Vlahos
P. Chau
A. Christofilopoulos
A. DiLorenzo*
M. Dixie**
N. Lo Re*

GUIDANCE

S. Bhowmik
R. Leo*
N. Lo Re**
D. Low
J. Matsumoto
B. Panagopoulos

LANGUAGES (Moderns)

F. Boyd
R. Cameron
S. Georgiou
L. Leung
A. Wittmann

LIBRARY

T. Antoniou
M. Kopyto

MATHEMATICS

E. Golubovici
M. Sharifi
S. Aghakhani
C. Brown
M. Brown
A. DiLorenzo**
M. Ellenbogen**
T. Eltohamy
A. Fingerhut**
O. Fridman
K. Hossain
C. Kim
T. Liu
T. Morra
J. Tang
L. Telford
A. Williams
L. Wu
Y. Xu

MUSIC

D. Pady
A. Eddington
T. Sullivan
K. Taylor

PHYS ED.

J. Leung
J. Brown
E. Chan
E. James
D. McFadden
R. Melendez*
G. Pavlovic**

SCIENCE

J. Chew
R. Williams
K. Bell
A. Chalkiotis
M. Cruceanu
D. Culaba-Chin
A. Delfico*
L. Fradkin
C. Harlow
N. Hyka**
P. Koutroubis
S. Larratt-Smith
T. Liu
A. Morin
D. Naumovski
A. Neil
R. Persaud
J. Suteir
T. Yan*
W. Zhou
M. Zotalis

FILM ARTS

M. Parisella
J. Harkness

SOCIAL SCIENCE

L. Mauer
S. Papoutsis
N. Aboobaker**
A. Cho**
B. De Franco
M. Dean
R. Dodds
M. Frascchetti*
S. Georgiou*
N. Ghafoori**
B. James
W. MacMillan
R. Melendez**
W. Nguyen*
R. Penate
G. Priestley
M. Ricciardi
M. Savicki**
B. Spencer
A. Wittmann

SPECIAL ED.

E. Petrovits
A. Chalkiotis
M. Dean
S. Figliano
L. Panagakos

STUDENT SUCCESS

L. Panagakos
N. Ghafoori**
A. Park

TECH. STUDIES

M. Parisella
G. Beleggrinis
S. Carayanis
C. Coughlan
K. Davis
J. Harkness**
K. Hossain
B. Pesa
A. Salvatore

VISUAL ARTS

N. Sakhavarz
J. Ahn
K. Davis
T. Van Nest
W. MacMillan
M. Mani-Moghaddam

Dept. Rooms & Phone Extensions:

School Phone Number:

416-395-3210

Backdoor Number:

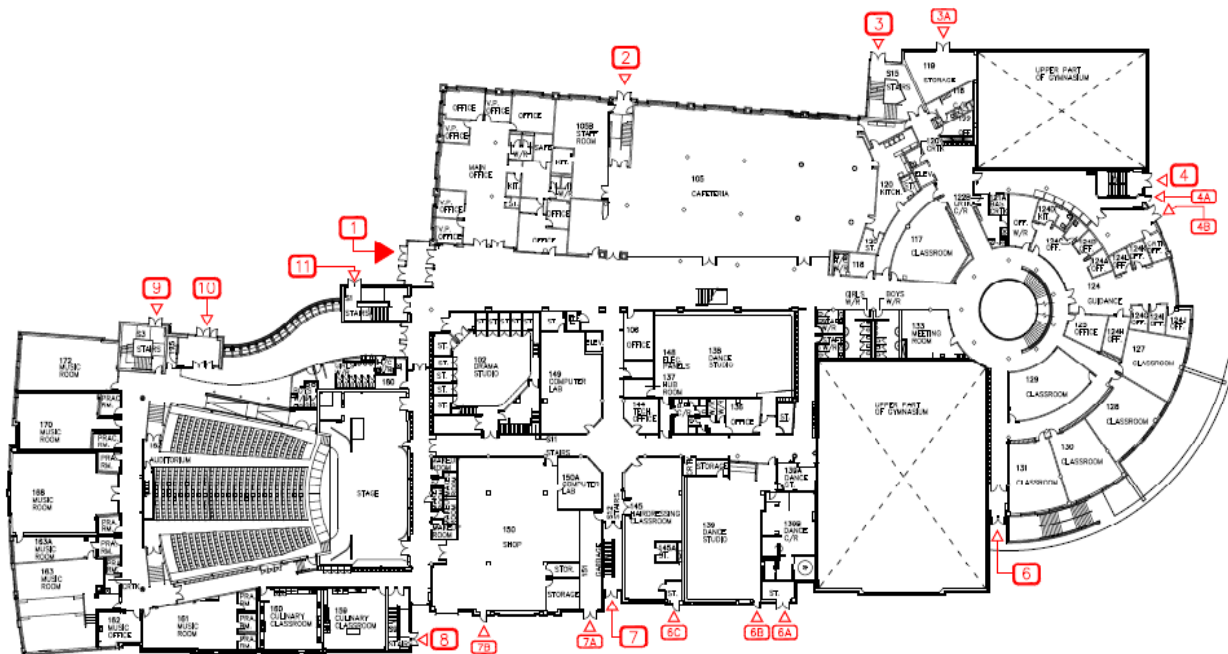
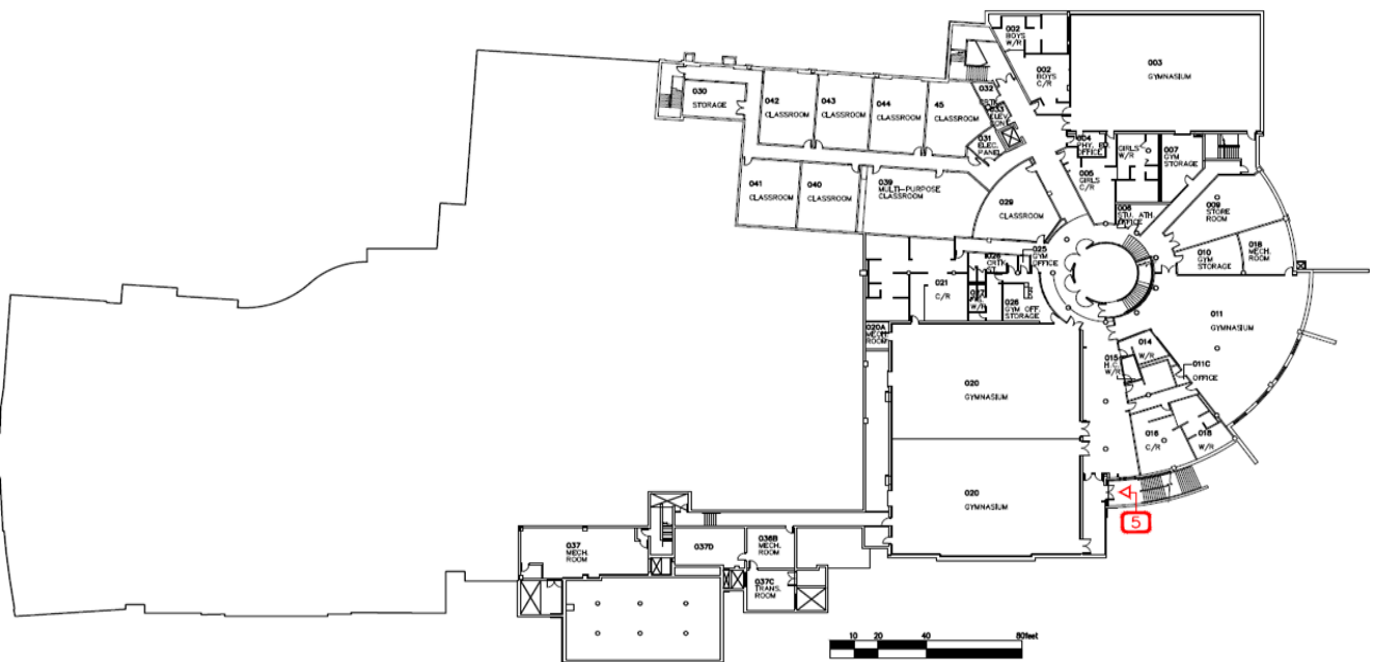
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Business	Rm 277	x20105
Claude Watson	Rm125	x20137
Computers	Rm 268	x20115
Co-Op	Rm 277	x20136
Dance	Rm 136	x20139
Drama	Rm 272	x20140
English	Rm 220	x20090
English 2	Rm 228	x20091
E.S.L.	Rm 245	x20092
Geography	Rm 328	x20075
Guidance	Rm 124	x20040
History	Rm 328	x20085
Languages	Rm 266	x20130
Library	Rm 243	x20020
Math	Rm 292	x20080
Music	Rm 162	x20141
Phys. Ed.	Rm 025	x20030
Science	Rm 345	x20093/95
Spec. Ed.	Rm 263	x20142
Stud. Success	Rm 269	x20269
Tech.	Rm 144	x20143
Tech. Comm.	Rm 202A	x20144
Theatre	Rm 295	x20150
Visual Arts	Rm 304	x20100

BASEMENT

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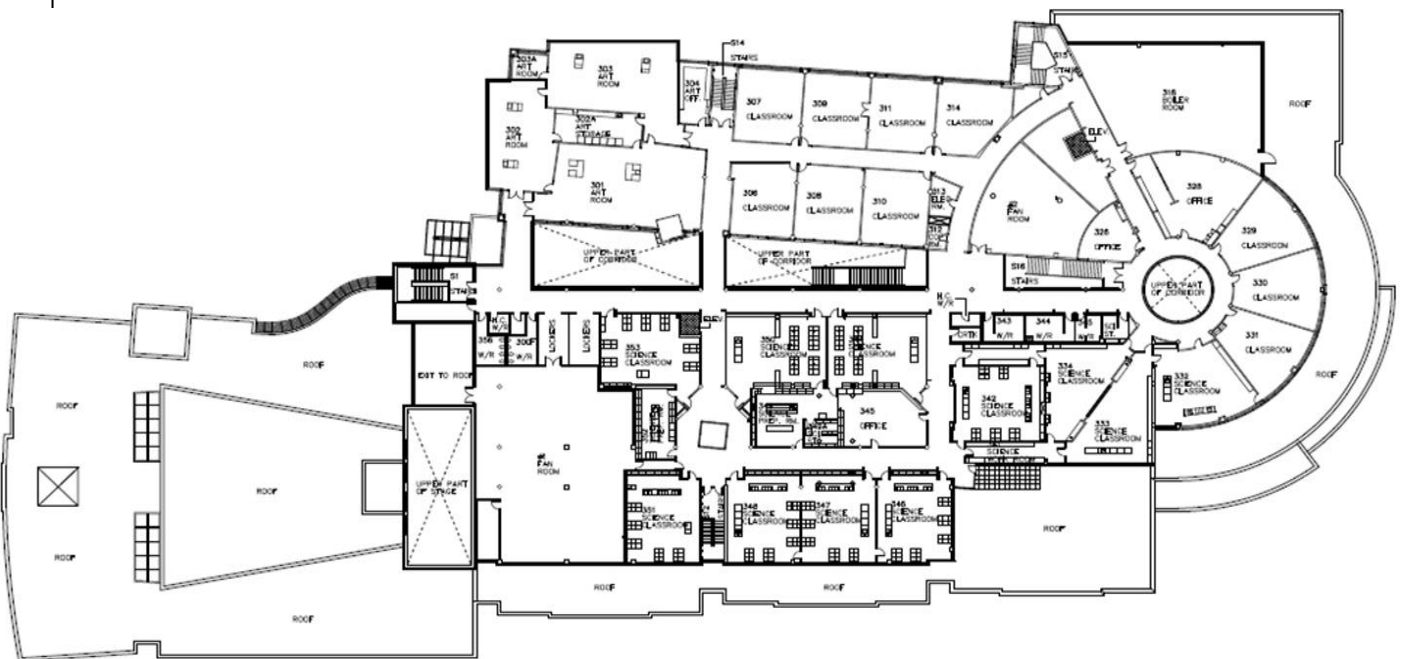
SECOND FLOOR

DUDLEY AVE



THIRD FLOOR

KENNETH



STUDENT ACTIVITY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE 2025-2026

President: Lucas Pham
Vice President: Daran Divanbeigi
Clubs and Councils: Emily Cao
Arts Rep: Elysia Oh
Athletic Rep: Helena Gu
Community Rep: Olive Maeno-McGrath
ECO Rep: Teya Feldman
SOPSS: Renee Sharrett
Junior Mayor: Sakurako Adachi

Social Promoter: Triatha Yores
Student Advocate: Sia Shah
Media Master Senior: Trevor Good
Media Master Senior: Rebecca Liu
Media Master Senior: Sally Shen
Media Master Junior: **Selected in Sep**
Multicultural Rep: Sophia Zhao
Stage Crew Rep: Tal Meir Mendelsohn Aviv
Staff Supervisors: Ms. Koutroubis, Ms. Fradkin, Mr. Morin

LEADERS COLLECTIVE EXECUTIVE 2025-2026

Director: Mariam Mohammed
Assistant Director: Grace Fan
Administrative Coordinator: Jacob Masters
Administrative Coordinator: Emily Ahn
Administrative Assistant: Natasha Masters
Administrative Assistant: Latifeh Zahedi
Events Coordinator: Emi Lako
Event Assistants: Hou Zeng/Grace Yamadoi
Opportunities Coordinators: Carissa Ho/Diana Ebrahimi
Opportunities Assistants: Diana Lotfi Seisan
Opportunities Assistants: Nicole Tanney-Rivlin

Promotions Coordinator: Luisa Duarte
Promotions Coordinator: Angie Wang
Programs Coordinator: Dahlia Zarrabian
Programs Assistant: Joseph Chan
Programs Assistant: Xinyi Wu
Special Projects Coordinator: Angus Chen
Special Projects Coordinator: Alexis Tan
Special Projects Assistant: Jana Abdelghany
Staff Supervisors: Ms. Lue, Ms. Yan, Mr. Wry
Admin Liaison: Mrs. Kolomba-Tantri

EARL HAIG SCHOOL COUNCIL

The Earl Haig School Council's mandate is to support student achievement and well-being. The School Council represents our school's parents and guardians to the Toronto District School Board, the Ministry of Education and the Earl Haig Caring & Safe Schools Committee. Most importantly, the School Council is an advisory body to the Earl Haig School Administration team.

We hope you will consider joining the School Council this year. Participating in the School Council and attending our meetings is a great way to get involved, meet other interested parents and stay informed and to support our school. There are 18 parent positions. Parents wishing to commit to attending meetings and supporting School Council initiatives are encouraged to submit a nomination form to be a member of the School Council. School Administration will distribute information on nominations and the election process at the start of the school year. Elections or acclamations will be held on Tuesday October 6, 2025 with the executives only at 6:00 pm. This year's first school council meeting will also be held on Tuesday, October 6, 2025 at 7:00 pm in Cringan Hall.

School Council meetings are typically on the second Tuesday of the month (with the exceptions of religious holidays and special events) in September, October, November, January, February, April and May. The School Council Executive will meet on those days from 6:00-7:00 pm, followed by the General Meeting from 7:00-9:00 pm. School updates and special topics are presented at the general meetings, which are open to all parents and guardians of Earl Haig.

The www.earlhaig.ca website home page lets you provide your e-mail for news bulletins or contact us by clicking the School Council link. Please check the parent page on the website often throughout the year to confirm meeting dates and topics. We hope to see you often and look forward to a wonderful new year.

We extend a warm welcome to our principal, Mr. Steve Yee, and all members of the EHSS staff.

EARL HAIG, YOUR SCHOOL

You feel the dynamic energy that is combined with caring and warmth the moment you come into the building that is Earl Haig. This exciting, learning environment comes from a fine cultural and academic tradition that stretches back since 1928. During all that time and despite the many changes that have altered the physical plant, there have always been two constant challenges - that staff and students be the best they can be and at the same time they **Seize the Day**.

Earl Haig Secondary School is a home for the mind, the heart and the spirit.

The school program is based on the inherent belief that all people can continue to improve their capacity for greater creativity and intellectual accomplishment.

The Earl Haig staff is committed to providing an enriched curricular and co-curricular program that develops the potential for success for every student throughout life.

Enrichment activities are an integral part of the Earl Haig curriculum. They include:

- group and independent research investigations and multi-disciplinary projects
- field trips - local, national, international
- guest speakers, guest artists, professional coaches
- writing, mathematics, science, business and language contests which appeal to multiple learning styles, intelligences and higher-level thinking skills
- theatrical performances
- volunteer and mentorship programs
- student exhibitions and performances

THE CLAUDE WATSON ARTS PROGRAM

The Claude Watson Arts Program is a specialized program in the arts. Students focus in one of the arts areas: Dance Studies, Drama, Music, Film Arts or Visual Studies. For further information please refer to the Claude Watson Handbook.

ARTS ELECTIVES

Arts Electives are open to all students at Earl Haig. These classes are taught at the introductory and advanced levels.

CO-CURRICULAR ARTS

Students are encouraged to join an arts club or council to experience arts as part of a performance or exhibition group. Shows and exhibitions throughout the year are available if you try out or join. Watch the club's board or listen to Haig Radio for information for further opportunities in the Arts.

SETTLEMENT WORKERS

Settlement Workers are available for the following languages:

Korean – Iona Seo: 647-999-6012 at Earl Haig on Mondays

Farsi – Aida Mortazavi: 647-999-6820 at Earl Haig on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Mandarin/Cantonese: Andy Shum 647-881-1043 at Earl Haig on Tuesdays and Fridays

Russian/Ukrainian: Tetiana Tymoshenko 647-215-3326 on Wednesdays

TRANSLATION / INTERPRETER SERVICES

The ESL program at Earl Haig is designed to enhance the communication skills of students whose first language is not English. The goal of the program is to develop English language skills in the areas of oral and visual communication, reading, writing and social and cultural competence, so that students may be able to achieve their full potential in their daily and academic life in Canada. If a translator is needed for communication with the school, or for understanding part of this booklet, please contact the ESL Department.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

All students are required to complete **40 hours** of community service in order to graduate. The purpose of this requirement is to encourage students to develop an understanding of the roles they can play in serving their community.

Students will select one or more community involvement activities in consultation with their parents. Any activity for which students receive payment or credit will not be counted toward the 40 hours of community service. Please ensure that you have received approval for your choice of community service from your teacher advisor or a Guidance Counsellor.

Students are to record their activities in their COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PASSPORT which is available on the Earl Haig Secondary School website under the "Guidance Department", then print off a copy and record their hours. Students are advised to complete their 40 hours prior to starting grade 11.

EARL HAIG ATHLETIC COUNCIL

This group assists with athletic activities, promotes school spirit, organizes the year-end athletic banquet and many other activities. They are always looking for new members to join; athletic experience is not required, so come on out to have some fun and develop your leadership skills.

Earl Haig has a large and varied athletic program. All students are encouraged to participate ***but are reminded that they must have a student activity card.***

SPORTS COMMONLY OFFERED AT EARL HAIG S.S.

FALL (September)

Golf
Boys' Soccer
Boys' Volleyball
Cross Country Running
Girls' Basketball
Girls' Rugby 7's
Boys' Rugby 7's
Girls' Ultimate Frisbee
Tennis

WINTER (November)

Girls' Volleyball
Boys' Basketball
Alpine Skiing / Snowboarding
Swimming
Boys' Ice Hockey
Indoor Ultimate Frisbee
Badminton

SPRING (March)

Boys' Baseball
Girls' Flag Football
Girls' Rugby 15's
Boys' Rugby 15's
Girls' Soccer
Girls' Slo-Pitch
Tennis
Table Tennis
Track and Field
Ultimate Frisbee co-ed
Volleyball – co-ed

Listen to announcements and get involved!

CLUBS, COUNCILS, TEAMS

We support and encourage co-curricular programs at Earl Haig S.S. It is a privilege to be a part of any program sponsored by the school. With your involvement comes the responsibility of making choices and following the expectations of all policies.

Students are asked to choose and prioritize their involvement in co-curricular programs so that their academic success will not be in jeopardy. We also point out the following:

ABSENTEEISM: A student may be removed from any co-curricular activity by the Vice Principal after consultation with the teacher/coach/staff supervisor concerned about the student's absenteeism.

RESPONSIBILITY: Any student who wishes to participate in any co-curricular program will be personally responsible for any course expectation or work missed. Failure to do so may result in the removal from immediate and/or future participation in this and other activities

STUDENT CARD: Any program sponsored by the SAC requires a student to have a valid Student ID/SAC card. To find out about joining clubs and teams, keep your eyes and ears open to the following:

- listings of try-outs during September
- morning radio announcements
- visiting students who come to your class in September
- finding a friend and go along to try-outs
- Earl Haig's website www.earlhaig.ca

With the wide diversity of interests shown by students at Earl Haig, each year brings newly formed clubs. To start a new club the following steps must be taken (further information can be found on the school website under the Clubs link):

- Find a teacher who is willing to act as **STAFF SUPERVISOR**. Information sheets for students and staff supervisors can be obtained from the Student Council Office or the Teacher Supervisor.
- Call a meeting of interested students and determine the nature of the club and the frequency of its meeting times.
- Fill in the club certification application and present this information to the Student Council.

All Co-Curricular programs must have a Staff Supervisor and register with SAC! A list of registered clubs and councils is available on our website @ www.earlhaig.ca.

ARTS EVENTS & CLUBS

ART'S COUNCIL:	Coffee House, Arts Week
CLAUDE WATSON:	Claude Watson Graduating Showcase, Claude Watson Ambassadors, Sera Bianca
EARL HAIG ARTS EVENTS:	One Act Play Festival, School Show, Fashion Event
DANCE:	Dance Council, Student Run Dance Clubs (Ballet, Modern, Jazz, Hip Hop, World Dance), Dance Night, Dance Collective Night, Music and Dance Revue
DRAMA:	Drama Council, Lunchtime Theatre, Gr. 9 Drama Night, Gr. 10 Drama Night, Gr. 12 Drama Production
FILM ARTS:	Film Arts Council, ZOOM Film Festival, Film Arts Suspense Film, Film Arts Gala.
MUSIC:	Music Council, Music & Dance Revue, Café Carpe (Jazz Night), Music Showcase, Earl Haig Singers, Chamber Choir, Concert Choir, Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Junior Strings, Senior Strings, Chamber Strings, Symphony Orchestra, Caviar, Little Fish and Big Fish Stage Bands
VISUAL ARTS:	Visual Arts Council, DIEM Magazine, 5.5.5., Community Exhibits, The Wave Gallery, Fashion Event

STUDENT SERVICES AND GUIDANCE

The Student Services Department provides assistance to all students in four areas: personal, social, educational and vocational.

Personal/Social Concerns

- confidential personal counselling
- contact/referral to outside agencies
- discussion of parental concerns

Educational Planning

- diploma/post-secondary requirements
- course selection and changes
- night school/summer school
- study skills
- information: universities, colleges and other post-secondary options
- campus visits
- scholarship, bursary and loan information/application

COUNSELLOR ALLOCATION

Counsellors are assigned to students on the basis of surname. Please confirm the counsellor's allocation with the Guidance Department in September.

2025 – 2026 COUNSELLOR ALLOCATION

S. BHOWMIK
B. PANAGOPOULOS
D. LOW
R. LEO/N. LO RE
J. MATSUMOTO

A – C (x 20041)
D - J (x 20135)
K – Ma (x 20046)
Mb – Sh (x 20045)
Si – Z (x 20047)

HOW TO ACCESS A TEACHER-COUNSELLOR

Appointments for individual counselling can be made by emailing their guidance counsellors. Counsellors will coordinate a meeting with the family. If students miss class, they will be given an admit slip to return to class. Consultation with parents is most welcome. Parents wishing to confer with a counsellor are asked to call 416-395-3210 ext. 20040.

GUIDELINES FOR PARENTS

- present their concern to staff and allow the opportunity for due consideration of the concern
- address the concern first to the staff member responsible for the area to which the concern directly relates
- staff resolve concerns or seeks support from Vice Principal
- ensure that confidentiality is maintained to all parties concerning student and personal matters

COURSE CHANGES

Our school timetable and classes have been established based on student course selections, so timetable changes will be limited. Students are issued a verification form in February to confirm their choices and make any changes necessary at that time. Some changes will be necessary due to errors, omissions, unanticipated June results and summer school achievement.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Numerous awards and scholarships are available to Earl Haig graduating students. These range from small awards granted by Earl Haig to renewable university awarded scholarships valued at many thousands of dollars. In the fall, counsellors offer sessions for all students who feel they may be contenders for awards. At that time, information outlining a number of awards is available and the method of choosing nominees or award recipients is explained. Students are also given suggestions of other possible sources of financial assistance. Selection of all scholarship nominees and award recipients is made by panels of staff representing the programs in the school.

ONTARIO STUDENT TRANSCRIPTS

Ontario Student Transcripts can be ordered in Student Services for the current year and four years prior.

Please allow 24 hours for processing. Personal identification will need to be provided.

Any older transcripts can be ordered by calling the TDSB transcript office @ 416-396-4783.

PRIVATE SCHOOLS/OTHER BOARD COURSES

Students who are studying courses privately or through school boards other than the TDSB are responsible for providing a transcript of a **FINAL MARK** from these schools in order to have the course included on your transcript by Earl Haig Secondary School.

Reporting **MIDTERM MARKS** from private/other boards schools to the Ontario University Application Centre and the Ontario College Application Service is the responsibility of the other schools (not Earl Haig). Students should provide their private school or other school board with their OUAC/OCAS number and that school is responsible for sending this information directly. **Earl Haig Secondary School will not be responsible for the transmission of midterm marks from private schools or other school boards.**

A GUIDE TO PARENT INTERVIEW DAYS AT EHSS

We have interview days scheduled for the school year but we always encourage contact between parents and teachers through periodic phone calls and informal meetings throughout the academic year. Appointments are booked through an online system on the school's website and that information is communicated to parents in advance of the system opening up for parents to book appointments.

Tuesday, October 21, 2025 Parents' Interview Day → 10:00am-12:00pm; 1:00pm-4:00pm; 6:00pm-8:00pm and Tuesday, March 24, 2026 Parents' Interview Day → 10:00am-12:00pm; 1:00pm-4:00pm; 6:00pm-8:00pm

The parent-teacher conference is an extremely valuable strategy. Here are some suggestions on how to make your parent-teacher nights more effective and valuable:

- Bring your son/daughter with you to the parent-teacher conference and bring the most recent report card.
- Have a copy of your son/daughter's timetable complete with course and teacher names.
- Arrive at the conference equipped with pen, paper and a list of questions to ask teachers.

Some topics parents should discuss with teachers include (in no particular order):

- the quality of the student's academic progress
- the behaviour of the student
- the student's attitude toward school, peers and adults
- how much the student participates in class
- the work habits of the student and special interests or talents that the student exhibits

Questions about how the teacher conducts class should include:

- what the expectations are for the class and how well the student is meeting them
- whether or not (and how often) the student has homework
- what the parent can do at home to help the student
- the most convenient time to call the teacher for a progress report on the student
- what special projects the students are working on
- discuss special circumstances surrounding the student's home life that may affect their performance

Positive parent-school contact is one big step in the direction towards student success. For further information on parent-teacher conferences, please feel free to call the school at any time or check the Earl Haig website (www.earlhaig.ca).

EARL HAIG RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS
or
WHERE YOU MUST BE LIVING IF YOU ATTEND EARL HAIG

- Students currently enrolled at Earl Haig and the Claude Watson Arts Program who intend to remain in the school for the following September MUST choose their courses no later than February.
- Earl Haig is closed to optional attendance.

EARL HAIG PROGRAM ATTENDANCE AREAS

Collegiate Program

The Collegiate Program is for the Earl Haig community. The school's attendance area and eligibility are established by the Toronto District School Board and is outlined below. For more details, please refer to the Earl Haig Registration Information Leaflet available at the school or on the website: www.earlhaig.ca

- **North Boundary** - the hydroelectric power corridor on the north side of Finch Ave. E. between Yonge St. and Bayview Ave., and Finch Ave. E. between Bayview Ave. and the CNR tracks on the west side of Leslie St.
- **South Boundary** – Hwy. 401 between Yonge St. and the CNR tracks on the west side of Leslie St.
- **East Boundary** – the CNR tracks on the west side of Leslie St. between Finch Ave. E. and Hwy 401
- **West Boundary** – Yonge St. (odd numbers only) between the hydro electric power corridor on the north side of Finch Ave. E. and Hwy 401

To confirm that your address is part of Earl Haig's catchment area, please check the Street Guide on the TDSB website at www.tdsb.on.ca.

Claude Watson Arts Program

Admission is by lottery. It should be noted that any student who CHOOSES to leave the program will return to his/her home school.

STUDENT DATA

DID YOU MOVE??? Change your phone number??? Change your e-mail address??? Please report to the **MAIN or STUDENT OFFICE** to inform us of any changes in your personal information, **and to an Administrator to provide documentation, confirming your new address.** The school's records can only be accurate if you let us know.

Students Moving Out of Area

Students who move out of area or into new developments mid-year should self-identify immediately to the office. They may complete the balance of their semester year at Earl Haig, but must register at the home school in their new neighborhood for the following semester. It is the responsibility of the parent / guardian / student to inform the school if they are moving out of the area.

Students Enrolled who are Out of Area

TDSB will continue to undertake rigorous enrolment audits of students presently registered at Earl Haig Secondary School. Students discovered to be enrolled at Earl Haig S.S. without a legal right to attend, will be identified and **immediately removed** from the rolls at Earl Haig S.S. and directed to their local Secondary School.

EARL HAIG SCHOOL POLICY

AREAS OF CONCERN

- **We are an Eco School. Please help in keeping the building the clean. Kindly dispose all food wrappers, leftovers and garbage, organics and recycling in designated recycle, organics and garbage bins.**
- **All students are expected to carry student ID cards while in the building and to produce it upon request.**

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

To experience success at Earl Haig, regular, punctual attendance is expected. There is a definite co-relation between unauthorized absences and failure to earn credits. Students have a responsibility to themselves, their parents and their teachers to attend regularly and punctually. High absenteeism is usually a symptom of other problems. See a guidance counsellor for assistance.

Student Responsibilities Re: Absences and Lates

1. Avoid making appointments or scheduling trips during school time.
2. All absences for students under 18 years of age must be explained in writing by a parent/guardian. A student must present a note to the subject teachers the day after the absence. The teacher will note that the absence/late was explained.

Notes will include the following information:

- a. student name clearly printed
 - b. date(s) of absences including times for part of a day
 - c. reason for absences or lates
 - d. signature of parent/guardian
3. Students should consult with teachers immediately on return from any absences to arrange for missed tests or assignments.
 4. If a student is leaving school before the end of the day, please come to the Student Office and sign out. Students must have parental/guardian permission before leaving the building.
 5. Late students should also sign-in at the Student Office.

Consequences of Non-Attendance

1. Automated system contacts the home regarding absences.
2. If an acceptable explanation is not provided immediately on return, a parent/guardian will be contacted by your teacher(s).
3. If lates and/or absences for classes accumulate, teachers will contact parents/guardians. If this continues, the student will be required to see a Guidance Counsellor.
4. If the attendance pattern does not improve, a parent/guardian interview with a Vice-Principal will be required. Persistent absences will lead to further consequences.

Pre-Arranged Absences

1. At least two weeks before the pre-arranged absence, students are required to pick up the Long Absence Form available from the Main Office or Student Office.
2. Complete and sign the top part of the form indicating the reason for their absence. A parent/guardian signature is required if they are under 18.
3. Discuss the absence with each teacher, their guidance counsellor and their Vice-Principal. Ask each one to sign the form and comment on the likely effect of the absence on their progress in the course. Any alternative activities assigned should also be included.
4. Return the form to the Main Office. Before final arrangements for their absence are made, a Vice-Principal may wish to contact the parent/guardian for further discussion.

DRESS CODE

Please refer to TDSB Student Dress Policy as described in the Board's Item pages of the student's agenda. The Student Dress Policy can also be found at: <https://ppf.tdsb.on.ca/uploads/files/live/98/204.pdf>

HALLS AND CAFETERIA

In order to maintain a quiet environment for learning, students should not sit in any hallway where there are classrooms during the school day. **All stairways are also out of bounds.** Students who do not have a class may study in the library and cafeteria. Students are expected to respect the right of others for a safe, clean and pleasant environment. Food and drink garbage is to be disposed of in the garbage receptacles.

LIBRARY

The library is to be used for quiet class instruction, research and study. No food or beverages are permitted in the library.

USE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY & AFTER HOURS

Respect the right of our neighbors and keep our property clean. Please do not tag or deface school property with graffiti. Students are permitted to be in the building until 4:30 p.m. unless under the direct supervision of a Staff Advisor. After 6:00 p.m., a permit is required.

COMPUTER/INTERNET USE

Student use of computers is to be in accordance with the Code of Conduct, established by the TDSB. The code is posted in the TDSB website at <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Policies-Procedures-Forms/Online-Code-of-Conduct>. **All students and parents are expected to sign the Earl Haig Internet agreement.**

CELL PHONES/PORTABLE STEREO EQUIPMENT/ELECTRIC DEVICES/LASER POINTERS

Electronic devices that support instructional purposes can be used in classrooms with permission from the teacher. Portable stereo equipment is to be used only at school sponsored events. **The school will not be responsible for the loss or theft of these devices.** Laser pointer devices are banned from the school for safety reasons. Students in possession of a laser pointer may be suspended.

SKATEBOARDS, INLINE SKATES, SCOOTERS, BICYCLES

The use of these items is not permitted on school property or in the school building.

CANNABIS USE/VAPING/SMOKING

Smoking of cannabis and vaping are not permitted on any TDSB property. This policy is found at: [Final e-Cig Fact Sheet Schools TPH.https://ppf.tdsb.on.ca/uploads/files/live/53/2227.pdf](https://ppf.tdsb.on.ca/uploads/files/live/53/2227.pdf) (tdsb.on.ca). Smoking and vaping are also prohibited while attending off-site school-sponsored activities. Parents of those who have been suspected in taking part of these activities will be contacted. Continued use of cannabis, vapes and cigarettes on school property will be subject to progressive discipline with school administration.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE/POSSESSION OR TRAFFICKING

Students are prohibited from possessing, consuming, selling or being under the influence of drugs or alcohol on school property or during any off-site school-sponsored activities, including field trips and athletic events.

SCHOOL SANCTIONED SOCIAL EVENTS

Staff and administration are committed to support and supervise school sanctioned social events such as dances, semi-formals and prom. Students need to be aware that the school code of conduct and consequences will be in effect at these events. Since student safety and well-being is a priority, students attending a school sanctioned social event under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be sent home, issued a suspension and may not be permitted to attend the next school social event.

UNSAFE ACTIVITIES

Water play (snowballs, water balloons, inappropriate water bottle use, water pistols/super soakers) are **not permitted** on school property. All varieties of sports and ball playing are permitted **only** on the school field.

BULLYING/FIGHTING/PLAYFIGHTING

These actions are not acceptable on school property or at school-sponsored events. Whenever you see anyone being bullied, victimized or harassed, report it to a teacher, counsellor, parent or administrator. Your confidentiality will be assured. Don't hesitate to take a stand for every individual to feel safe and to be respected at Earl Haig. Please report any illegal or suspicious activities to your teachers, the main office (416-395-3210), the police 911 or 416-808-3200 or Crime Stoppers at 416-222-TIPS. Anonymity is guaranteed. In this way, students, staff and the community can continue to enjoy a safe, secure and peaceful learning environment. Playfighting is fighting and is regarded as such; playfighting is subject to disciplinary procedures.

VISITORS AND TRESPASSERS

All students have a responsibility for maintaining a safe environment at Earl Haig. If students observe or are aware of a person who is not an Earl Haig student on school property, please report this to the Main office. It is Board Policy that all visitors must report to the Main office and sign in. Students should not invite friends to spend time with them, on school property. They are trespassing and the laws pertaining to private property apply. Their behaviour is the student's responsibility.

DISTRIBUTION & DISPLAY OF STUDENT PUBLICATIONS IN SCHOOL

No material may be distributed on school property without the approval of the administration. This includes, but is not limited to, posters, announcements and written materials.

RACIAL OR ETHNIC BIAS

These incidents may be defined as: ethnic slurs, jokes, stereotyping, threats, assault, intimidation, any negative verbal, written or physical expression that promotes hatred towards a person's race, colour or ethnic cultural heritage, graffiti and hate graffiti. These actions are against Board policy 728 (RBH), which is described here:

<https://ppf.tdsb.on.ca/uploads/files/live/53/2227.pdf>. Students who engage in this behaviour will be subject to a RBH disciplinary procedures described in the document.

HOMOPHOBIC, TRANSPHOBIC OR SEXUAL HARASSMENT

These incidents may be defined as expressions of power, authority or control through sexual references in offensive jokes, name calling, pictures (including clothing design), touching and derogatory behaviour. These actions are also against TDSB policy and will be subject to RBH disciplinary procedures described here:

<https://ppf.tdsb.on.ca/uploads/files/live/53/2227.pdf>

RANGE OF CONSEQUENCES

The majority of students meet the behavioral expectations set out by Earl Haig Secondary School. In consultation with parents or guardians, one or more of the following consequences can be expected, should any disruptive behaviour persist:

- informal interview and counselling of students
- before or after school detentions
- guidance counsellor, social worker, psychologist involvement to help in the development of a plan that will assist the student to benefit from school, understand acceptable behaviors and/or solve problems that are impeding progress
- formal interview with Vice-Principal; parents/guardians may be invited to participate in the process
- behaviour/performance contract
- restitution – students, or parents/guardians of students, may be required to make financial or other restitution to compensate for damages to school or private property
- withdrawal of privileges, including co-curricular and extra-curricular
- program modification
- temporary withdrawal from class
- school community service
- suspension
- expulsion

EARL HAIG CODE OF STUDENT BEHAVIOUR

School safety and the right of every individual for a harassment free learning environment is our first priority.

COURTESY

Towards every person who enters the school, staff and students alike

This means recognizing the equality and dignity of all persons:

- according respect to members of every race, religion, culture, sex and age
- using language which reflects respect for self and others
- courteous and respectful treatment of all school staff and students

CARE

In the use of the school building, grounds and all the equipment provided by the educational authorities of the city

This means demonstrating respect for the property of others:

- listening to audio equipment only with headphones and at a volume inaudible to others
- using care to maintain a clean, litter-free school
- not parking on school property
- posting only those notices and bulletins which have been approved and that are specific to Earl Haig
- not using in-line skates, skateboards, scooters or bicycles in the school building and outside

COMMON SENSE

Student responsibilities include:

- arriving on time and prepared for classes
- attending regularly
- providing notes for absence
- refraining from interfering with the academic progress of others
- observing the regulations prohibiting the use of alcohol and drugs
- observing the Toronto District School Board policy of a smoke-free environment
- observing the regulation prohibiting the possession and/or use of a weapon, potential weapon or replica

To serve the interests of students, a variety of strategies are employed. Students who violate school rules are counselled by school personnel to ensure that the standards of behaviour expected by Earl Haig are clearly understood. Disciplinary actions, such as specific task assignments, an interview with a Vice-Principal, withdrawal of specific privileges, involvement of parents, suspension, removal or expulsion from school, will take into account the nature of the offence and the individual circumstances involved.

ACADEMIC COURSE LOAD POLICY

Grade 9/10/11

Students must carry 8 courses per school year on their timetable.

Grade 12/Graduating year:

Students are expected to carry 6, 7 or 8 courses per school year on their timetable depending upon the number of credits required to graduate (30 credits). Students must have 24 credits to drop a course and choose a spare.

All Grade 11 and 12 students are reminded of **FULL DISCLOSURE DATES: SEMESTER COURSES dropped after 4 p.m. on Nov. 24, 2025 and ALL COURSES dropped after 4 p.m. on April 30, 2026.** Students should see their Guidance Counsellor for details on the implications of **FULL DISCLOSURE** and their future plans.

STUDENT EVALUATION

At the beginning of the school year, students are provided with a written course outline, which describes the expectations, content and evaluation for each course. Students will be informed of the types of assignments and tests and how their final mark will be calculated.

Assessment and evaluation in OSS courses will be based on the curriculum expectations and the achievement charts in OSS (Ontario Secondary School) subject curriculum policy documents.

Students will receive formative assessment to improve knowledge and skills and summative evaluations to demonstrate achievement of the curriculum expectations.

School Policy on Missed Evaluations

It is a student's responsibility to be present at all evaluations.

It is a student's responsibility when they know in advance that an evaluation will be missed to notify the teacher as soon as they become aware of the conflict. This includes student involvement in school sponsored events. Failure to communicate with the teacher in advance may result in a zero on the evaluation.

It is the student's responsibility to provide the subject teacher with a specific note, on his/her return, from a parent, guardian or a doctor, specifying the date and explaining the reason for the missed evaluation. A family vacation scheduled during instructional time is not a satisfactory reason. Satisfactory reasons could be an illness or a funeral. The teacher is not required to remind the student to submit the note.

It is important for both students and parents to understand that evaluation is a continuous process beginning in September and ending in June. In particular, the months of May and June are critical months during the school year. Evaluations will be ongoing throughout these months and student attendance at all types of evaluations is required.

****Medical certificates are required for all missed summative evaluations and exams during January and June.****

LEARNING SKILLS (OSS)

In addition to a percentage grade that represents achievement of curriculum expectations only, the provincial report card separately reports on achievement of five learning skills common on all courses:

Works independently, Work Habits/Homework, Organization, Initiative and Teamwork.

Achievement of the five learning skills is reported through the use of the following codes:

N	Needs Improvement	G	Good
S	Satisfactory	E	Excellent

Teachers will evaluate the learning skills on an ongoing basis.

ELEMENTS OF THE PROGRAM

- Orientation
- School Survival and Success
- Exchange of important information
- Distribution of key documents and materials (e.g. report cards, registration material, yearbook, student activity card, student planner)

LATE AND MISSED ASSIGNMENTS

In order to earn a credit in a course, students are responsible for demonstrating evidence of achievement of the knowledge and skills described by the OSS curriculum expectations.

In all courses, students are expected to meet all due dates for all assignments, projects, presentations, and tests by the dates identified by teachers. If a student anticipates a problem with meeting a deadline, she or he must negotiate a mutually agreed upon extension. Specific details concerning procedures and consequences for late and/or missing assignments will be identified in each department's student assessment and evaluation policy.

Records of late or incomplete work will be kept and reported on the Learning Skills part of the provincial report card.

EXAMINATIONS

- Examinations will be written under timed, supervised conditions, address course content and expectations related to more than one category of the subject achievement chart and yield marks for different strands or achievement categories
- Exams will be worth a maximum of 10% of the final mark for grades 9 & 10
- Exams will be worth a maximum of 20% of the final mark for grades 11 & 12
- Students will also be engaging in summative tasks

Every student has the responsibility to arrive at the examination at the correct time. It is their responsibility to check the examination schedule carefully for times and rooms. Students should check their timetable for each of their subjects' course code, number and section and record when their exams are being written in their agenda. They must bring their student ID card to their exams. Students are required to sign an attendance sheet/seating plan at the beginning of each examination. Students may not receive extra time if late.

Absence from Formal Examinations

All students must write all exams in January and June or other formal examinations throughout the year. Family trips, camps or any other excursion will not be accommodated during exam periods. Any student who is absent from any formal examination or final evaluation will receive a "0" unless a medical certificate is provided to a Vice-Principal.

Semester Calendar with Exams and Evaluation Dates

Semester 1: September 2, 2025 – January 29, 2026

Semester 1: Exam Day(s): January 21, 22, 23, 26, 27

Semester 2: January 30, 2026 – June 26, 2026

Semester: Exam Days(s): June 17, 18, 19, 22, 23

Students should check with their teachers when the summative evaluation dates are and record them in their agenda.

Final Report Card Distributed Week – **Week of June 30, 2026**

WHAT HAPPENS IF A STUDENT ENGAGES IN ACADEMIC DISHONESTY

When dishonesty is confirmed by a teacher, the incident and the consequences may be communicated to the department head, guidance counsellor or administration and/or parents/guardian. A mark of zero may be awarded for the assessment/evaluation in question and a repeated pattern of academic dishonesty may result in an escalating severity of consequences. Students who face the consequences of plagiarism or cheating have the right to appeal the teacher's decision to the Vice Principal/Principal.

CHEATING

Cheating is usually defined as the act of practicing deceit or breaking the rules. In the context of assessment and evaluation, cheating would be defined as the deviation from the behavior expected in an evaluation situation. Examples include but are not limited to:

- Using ChatGPT or any other generative AI output as a submission for any assignment, project, quiz, test or evaluation.
- Using outputs from math or editing apps, such as, and not limited to, PhotoMath or Grammarly as a submission for any assignment, project, quiz, test or evaluation.
- Having the following on their person during a quiz, test, exam or evaluation: cameraphones, smartwatches, any LTE or Wi-Fi enabled devices.
- Copying another student's homework
- Using another student's work on a test or any other evaluation
- Bringing unauthorized notes or notations into an evaluation
- Presenting assignments that have been completed by someone else as one's own

PLAGIARIZING

Plagiarizing is defined as the use or close imitation of the language and thoughts of another without attribution, in order to represent them as one's own original work. It can take many forms, including the following:

- Using ChatGPT or any other generative AI output as a submission for any assignment, project, quiz, test or evaluation.
- Submitting an essay/assignment written by someone else, e.g., buying an essay online, downloading an essay from a website, having someone else complete one's assignment or copying or using work including homework done by another student
- Piecing together material from one or several sources and adding only linking sentences
- Quoting or paraphrasing material without citing the source of that material, including but not limited to books, magazines, journals, websites, newspapers, television programs, radio programs, movies, videos, photographs and drawings in print or electronic form
- Copying and pasting from the internet or other electronic sites without citing the source and
- Omitting quotation marks from direct quotations even if the sources have been cited

STUDY HABITS

Whether your child is just starting their high school career or has reached a point where the end is now in sight, one of your main jobs is to help your child graduate successfully. Teachers, supportive parents, well-equipped classrooms, equipment and tests are all beneficial to the learning process. What happens in the classroom is only part of the success story. A very important part of the story is written at home, in the library, in the study hall or your child's individual work. Here are a few hints that may help your child get better results:

Consistency: The best rule is to keep the work up to date. Do something every day: don't fall behind. The best results do not come from last-minute cramming.

Organization: Establish a study timetable and a regular record of assignments. Plan the work over several days or weeks. Students should review their notes every day.

Location: Have a regular place to study, preferably quiet and away from distractions. Very few students get good results with the help of radio or television.

Preparation: Books and study materials should be ready for use.

Sequence: It is tempting to do the easiest assignment or the favorite subject first and leave the harder tasks to the end. Learning is more effective at the beginning of a study period.

When to Study: Your child is the best judge of the best time to study. Remember, students are generally not at their best immediately after a full day in school. They might feel more like work if they get some fresh air and relaxation before starting their home studies. Be particularly careful about weekends. On Friday afternoon, Monday morning seems a long way off, but it comes all too quickly. Organize the weekend to leave some study time – it is a good time for review.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

YEARBOOK

Throughout the year, the events that occur are being recorded for the "Delphian" which is distributed in June. Filled with photographs of students, teachers, social events and sports occasions, the "Delphian" also contains memories of sad events, notorious people and joyful times. Watch for the friendly yearbook photographers at all events and roaming the halls of Haig. Join the "Delphian" staff and help produce a book that will be cherished for years to come. If you are interested in working on the yearbook, see one of the co-editors, or visit the yearbook office, Room 326. **Yearbooks are ordered and paid for in September as part of the SAC PAK. There will be no extra copies ordered for sale in June.**

PHOTOGRAPHS AND STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARDS

On **Thursday, September 25, 2025**, photographers will be in the school. All students are photographed free of charge for: **Yearbook, Student Activity Card and School Records. There is photo retake day on Monday, October 27, 2025.** Colour portrait packages will also be available at that time. Details and price lists will be available in September. Please wear appropriate attire. Students will not be able to wear hats and/or sunglasses.

GRAD PHOTOS

Individual portrait sessions will be held December 8 – 12, 2025, for all graduating students. Appointments are to be made online. Information will be available in the Student Office prior to Grad Photo Month.

ELEVATOR

The elevator is to be used only by students with a physical disability/injury. A key may be borrowed with a \$20 refundable deposit from the Student Office.

ASSIGNMENTS

Assignments to be handed in to teachers should be taken to the **Main Office** if the teacher is unavailable. The student is responsible for filling in the information in the book provided. The secretary will initial the book to acknowledge receipt and put the work in the Teacher's mailbox. Students may **not** put anything into Teachers' mailboxes.

FIRST AID

If you are injured and mobile, or if you want to report an injury, go to the Student or Main Office. Teachers are trained in basic first aid measures, but staff may not administer medication of any kind, including aspirin. All injuries incurred on school property must be reported. All department offices are also equipped with a First Aid Kit.

LOST AND FOUND

The lost and found is located in the Student Office. If you have anything that is not yours, drop it off at the lost and found.

PARKING

Parking is for staff only. Parents visiting the school are to pick up a temporary parking ticket. The main driveway is a **ONE-WAY FIRE ROUTE** – it is for drop off and not temporary parking. Cars can be ticketed. **DO NOT ENTER** the south or east parking lots off Hillcrest or Dudley streets. The south parking lot is designated for handicap student drop off. Other students dropped off in these areas must be at the roadside.

GRIEF OR BEREAVEMENT

We recognize that individuals experience grief in different ways and we respect the cultural and religious traditions of all. There is a team of teachers and students trained to provide support for anyone in the Earl Haig community following the death of a relative or close friend. Parents and students are encouraged to make the school aware of bereavement so that support can be provided as needed.

LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS

The Earl Haig Library Learning Commons is available to all students doing homework, reading or quiet study. The school library responds to the academic, social interests and well-being of our entire student population. Qualified teacher-librarians develop and instruct inquiry-based, student-centered lessons and activities that promote academic success in all subjects. Teacher-librarians work to promote multiple literacies and high achievement, through subject focused collaboration with classroom teachers, while working with students individually and in a whole class settings. The library is equipped with computers, Chromebooks and printers available for student use. The library print collection contains nearly 25,000 diverse books including reference books in all subject areas, a large selection of paperbacks for recreational reading (including novels for ESL and Young Adult readers), books in French, Manga and graphic novels and a growing non-fiction collection to support curriculum in all subject areas. Most materials are available for 3-week loans and students are requested to **return** or **renew** books before the due date. For updated information about what's happening in our school library, and to access our growing list of online subscription resources, please visit the Earl Haig Library Blog at www.earlhaig.ca/library.

USEFUL COMMUNITY SERVICES: (Youth Issues: Social, Emotional, Medical)

Kids Help Line	1-800-668-6868	24 hrs
Teen Clinic (Sick Kids Hospital)	416-813-5804	24 hrs
Teen Clinic (North York General)	416-756-6750	24 hrs
Children's Aid Society	416-924-4646	24 hrs
Catholic Children's Aid Society	416-395-1500	24 hrs
Jewish Family and Child Service	416-638-7800	24 hrs
Local Police station	416-808-3200	24 hrs
Rape Crisis Centre	416-597-8808	24 hrs
Assaulted Women's Helpline	416-863-0511	24 hrs

ACTIVITY FEE

Your \$40.00 fee covers:

- Student ID Card
- The Delphian, Earl Haig's yearbook
- Eligibility for admission to all functions – some (e.g., dances) will involve an additional charge
- Eligibility in all extra-curricular and intramural programs (including clubs and athletics)
- Participation in athletic programs

(Grade 9 students or new students will be charged \$10.00 to purchase a lock)

TRANSFERRING TO ANOTHER SCHOOL

If a student is transferring to another school, they must meet with their Guidance Counsellor and go through the DEMIT process. This includes returning all their books to their teachers, library and having them sign the STUDENT WITHDRAWAL FORM. Once the paperwork is completed, they can register at their new school, which will then request that the student's Ontario Student Records (OSR) be forwarded to them. Please note, that until the DEMIT PROCESS is completed, the student will not be able to register at their new school.

EARL HAIG SECONDARY SCHOOL
STUDENT FEES SUMMARY
2025 – 2026

Department/Course		Fee	Coverage
All Music Courses		\$10.00	Enhancement opportunities for elective classes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> music festivals entries/guest artists
Claude Watson		\$100.00	Program Fee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guest Artists Claude Watson Events Collaborative Projects (Gr. 9 – 12) Performance Assemblies Sera Bianca (Gr. 11 Collaboration Project)
Grade 9 Phys. Ed		\$15.00	Uniforms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> shorts T-shirt
		\$15.00	
	PSK4U	\$20.00	Kinesiology Workbook - optional
Technology	TXJ-grade 11 and 12 classes only	\$60.00	Hairstyling Kit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mannequin
Visual Arts	AVI1O1	\$30.00	Art Kit Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sketchbook \$10.00 drawing set \$10.00 painting set \$10.00
	AVI2O1		
Photography	AWQ2O1	\$30.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> photographic paper \$10.00 sketch book \$10.00 35mm film \$10.00
SAC Fee		\$40.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yearbook, Student Activity Card (enables you to participate in clubs, teams, artistic groups, school shows)
Lock		\$10.00	Required for all new students to purchase a school lock or a replacement cost for current student

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2025 - 2026

First Day of School	September 02, 2025
Professional Activity Day	September 26, 2025
Professional Activity Day	October 10, 2025
Thanksgiving Day	October 13, 2025
Professional Activity Day	November 14, 2025
Holiday Break	December 22, 2025 to January 2, 2026 School resumes January 05, 2026
Professional Activity Day	January 29, 2026
Professional Activity Day	February 13, 2026
Family Day	February 16, 2026
March Break	March 16 - 20, 2026
Good Friday	April 03, 2026
Easter Monday	April 06, 2026
Victoria Day	May 18, 2026
End of Academic Year	June 24, 2026
Professional Activity Day	June 25, 2026
Professional Activity Day	June 26, 2026

Semester Schedule - Exam Dates

Semester 1: January 21, 22, 23, 26, 27

Semester 2: June 17, 18, 19, 22, 23

PLEASE NOTE: Dates may be subject to change:

Report Cards Distribution Week

Semester 1 Mid Term Report Cards	Week of November 17, 2025
Semester 1 Final Report Cards	Week of February 12, 2026
Semester 2 Mid Term Report Cards	Week of April 23, 2026
Semester 2 Final Report Cards	Week of June 30, 2026

Parent Teacher Interviews

**Tuesday, October 21, 2025 Parents' Interview Day → 10:00am-12:00pm; 1:00pm-4:00pm; 6:00pm-8:00pm and
Tuesday, March 24, 2026 Parents' Interviews Day → 10:00am-12:00pm; 1:00pm-4:00pm; 6:00pm-8:00pm**

Parent School Council First Meeting

Tuesday October 06, 2025 @ 7:00pm (Cringan Hall)

August 2025

Earl Haig Secondary School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 CIVIC HOLIDAY	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Krishna Janmashtami
17	18 ➤ TSAC Assessment for newcomers	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Guidance Office Opens ➤ Now Program	26 Ganesh Chaturthi	27 Ganesh Chaturthi ➤ LINKS-Grade 9 Assembly 9:00 – 11:00am	28	29	30
31						

September 2025

Earl Haig Secondary School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 LABOUR DAY	2 SP/2 School Begins ➤ Semester 1/Term 1 Begins	3 1	4 2	5 1 ➤ Welcome/Conduct Assembly Grade 9 & 10 Period 1	6
7	8 2 ➤ Welcome/Conduct Assembly Grade 11 & 12 Period 1 ➤ SPC Card Sales	9 1 ➤ Claude Watson Parent Meeting Cafeteria 6:00 pm	10 2 ➤ Staff submission Code of Conduct Semester 1 Period 1 ➤ Clubs and Councils Info Meeting Cafeteria 3:30 – 4:30 pm	11 1 ➤ Welcome Lunch for New Staff	12 2 ➤ Course Outline due in Main Office ➤ Last Day Timetable Changes	13
14	15 1 ➤ Grade 11 & 12 Student Success Class Visits ➤ SPC Card Sales	16 2 ➤ Grade 9 Orientation Period 4 ➤ CL/ACL Meeting Library 3:30 pm	17 1 PLC – Late Start ➤ Camp Manitou (Gr. 9)	18 2	19 1 ➤ Terry Fox (All day) 3:30 – 4:30 pm (Run)	20
21 International Day of Peace	22 2 Rosh Hashanah (evening) ➤ Grade 9 & 10 Student Success Class Visits ➤ Parent/Guardian Contact Week ➤ SPC Card Sales	23 1 Rosh Hashanah	24 2 Rosh Hashanah PLC – Late Start Staff Meeting	25 1 ➤ Photo Day ➤ Clubs Registrations Due	26 PA DAY	27 ➤ OUAC University Fair Metro Convention Centre 9:30 am - 5:30 pm
28 ➤ OUAC University Fair Metro Convention Centre 9:30 am - 5:30 pm	29 1 ➤ National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Week ➤ TTC & Pedestrian Safety Presentation Grade 9 Period 1 ➤ SPC Card Sales	30 2 ➤ Post Secondary Assembly Grade 12's Period 2 ➤ National Day for Truth and Reconciliation ➤ Grade 9 BBQ & Parent Info Night 5:30 – 6:30 pm: BBQ 6:30 pm: Curriculum 7:00 – 8:00 pm: ESL - Parents				

October 2025

Earl Haig Secondary School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Islamic Heritage/Somali Heritage/Latin American History Month			1 Yom Kippur (evening) 1 ➤ LC Retreat – Muskoka Woods ➤ SPC Card Sales	2 Yom Kippur/Mehregan 2 ➤ Clubs Fair @ Lunch	3 1	4
5 World Teacher's Day	6 2 ➤ Grade 12 Class Visits ➤ Haig State Athletics Week ➤ School Council Meeting – Post Secondary Applications 7:00 pm (Executives only for Elections 6:00 pm)	7 Sukkot/ Kathina 1 ➤ Clubs President Meeting @ Lunch O'Grady Hall	8 Sukkot/ Kathina 2 ➤ Haig State Blue and White Day Field & Large Gym	9 Karwa Chauth 1 ➤ Volunteer Fair at Lunch SAC Community Rep ➤ Girls Ultimate Tournament 7:00 am – 5:00 pm	10 Karwa Chauth PA DAY	11
12	13 H THANKSGIVING	14 Shemini Atzeret 2	15 Simchat Torah 1 ➤ GTA Post Secondary Fair Cafeteria 9:00 - 11:00 am ➤ SAC Leadership Retreat Camp Muskoka	16 2 ➤ Sr. Girls Basketball Tournament Large Gym 2:00 – 8:00 pm	17 1 ➤ Sr. Girls Basketball Tournament Large Gym 9:00 am – 8:00 pm	18
19	20 Diwali 2 ➤ Credit Rescue Invitation Phone Calls	21 SP ➤ Parent/Teacher Interviews 10:00 am – 12:00 noon 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	22 PLC – Late Start 2 ➤ Parent/Teacher Interviews follow up	23 Birth of Bahá'u'lláh 1	24 2 ➤ Grade 12 Alumni Assembly Cringan Hall P.4	25
26 Mehregan	27 1 ➤ Photo Retake Day in Cafeteria ➤ Credit Rescue Phone Calls ➤ Fall Spirit Week	28 2 ➤ Pause & Pace Day ➤ Suspense Film Festival Cringan Hall 7:00 pm ➤ CL/ACL Meeting Library 3:30 pm	29 PLC – Late Start Staff Meeting 1 ➤ Budget Meeting #1 Library 3:30 pm ➤ Halloween Thrift Store	30 2 ➤ Scavenger Hunt @ Lunch	31 Halloween A/1 ➤ SOPSS Assembly ➤ ALP's due on MyPath	

November 2025

Earl Haig Secondary School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Hindu Heritage/Indigenous Education						1
2	3 1 ➤ Equity Lunch - Room 238 ➤ Outreach Week	4 2 ➤ Clubs Presidents Meeting @ Lunch O'Grady Hall	5 1 ➤ Semester 1/Term 1 ends ➤ Take Your Kids to Work Day	6 2 ➤ Semester 1/Term 2 begins	7 SP/1 ➤ Carnival Day	8
9	10 2 ➤ Semester 1 Mid-Term marks due 9:00 am & Verifications due 12:00 noon ➤ Claude Watson Open House 6:30 – 8:30 pm ➤ Community Cleanup	11 Remembrance Day A/1 ➤ Remembrance Day Assembly ➤ School Council Meeting Scholarship Information 7:00 pm	12 2 ➤ CIMC & CSMS Cafeteria 9:00 – 11:00 am	13 1 ➤ SSUNS Model UN Trip McGill University Montreal	14 PA DAY	15
16 ➤ SSUNS Model UN Trip McGill University Montreal	17 1 ➤ Waste Audit #1 ➤ Semester 1 Mid-Term Report Card Distribution Week ➤ OSSLT	18 2 ➤ CL/ACL Meeting Library 3:30 pm	19 PLC – Late Start 1 ➤ Non-GTA University Fair Cafeteria 9:00 – 11:00 am	20 2 ➤ Sera Bianca 6:00 pm	21 1	22
23	24 2 ➤ Gr. 8 Open House 6:30 – 8:30 pm ➤ Full Disclosure ➤ Junior Week ➤ On-Line Digital Literacy Workshop ➤ TDSB Holiday Hamper Collection Week ➤ OSSLT	25 1 ➤ Clubs Fair #2	26 PLC – Late Start Staff Meeting 2 ➤ Life Skills Workshops Cafeteria – After School	27 1 ➤ Coffee House (Arts Council) 6:00 pm Cafeteria	28 2	29
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December 2025

Earl Haig Secondary School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 ➤ Grad Photos in Cafeteria ➤ Food/Clothing Drive ➤ OSSLT	2 ➤ Clubs Presidents Meeting @ Lunch O'Grady Hall	3	4	5 ➤ Semester 2 Timetable Changes opens 9:00 am	6 National Day of Remembrance & Action on Violence Against Women
7	8 ➤ Grad Photos in Cafeteria ➤ Food/Clothing Drive	9 ➤ CL/ACL Meeting Library 3:30 pm ➤ School Show Matinee Cringan Hall 12:30 pm	10 PLC – Late Start ➤ Equity Breakfast Room 238 8:00 am ➤ School Show Cringan Hall 7:00 pm	11 ➤ Jr. Girls Volleyball Tournament Large Gym 7:00 am – 5:00 pm	12 ➤ Exam & Summative Copy Due in Main Office ➤ Sr. Girls Volleyball Tournament Large Gym 7:00 am – 5:00 pm	13 Aga Khan Birthday
14 Chanukah starts	15 ➤ Locker Cleanout ➤ Semester 2 Timetable Changes closes 4:00 pm ➤ Winter Spirit Week ➤ Grad Photos in Cafeteria	16	17 PLC – Late Start Staff Meeting ➤ Holiday Havoc Pep Rally Dodgeball Large Gym 2:00 – 3:15 pm	18	19 A/1 ➤ Winter SOPSS Assembly	20
21	22 WINTER BREAK B	23 B	24 B	25 H CHRISTMAS DAY	26 B BOXING DAY	27
28	29 WINTER BREAK B	30 B	31 B	White Ribbon Food Drive Campaign		

January 2026

Earl Haig Secondary School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Tamil Heritage Month				1 H NEW YEAR'S DAY WINTER BREAK →	2 B	3
4	5 1 ➤ Classes resume ➤ Trip Moratorium Begins	6 2 Feast of the Epiphany ➤ Clubs Presidents Meeting @ Lunch O'Grady Hall	7 1 Orthodox Christmas PLC – Late Start	8 2 ➤ Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament Large Gym 2:00 – 8:00 pm ➤ Option Fair @ Lunch	9 1 ➤ Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament Large Gym 9:00 am – 8:00 pm ➤ Option Fair @ Lunch	10
11	12 2 ➤ Haig Bell Let's Talk Week →	13 1 ➤ Pause & Pace Day ➤ CL/ACL Meeting Library 3:30 pm	14 2 Orthodox New Year's Day PLC – Late Start Staff Meeting	15 1 ➤ Moratorium ➤ Deadline for Application to Ontario Universities (OUAC) ➤ Music and Dance Revue Cringan Hall 7:00 pm	16 2 Laylat Ali Miraj →	17
18	19 1 ➤ Gr. 9 EQAO →	20 2	21 E EXAMS →	22 E	23 E →	24
25	26 E EXAMS →	27 E ➤ Promotion Meetings →	28 SP/2 ➤ Exam Review Day - PM	29 ➤ Semester 1/Term 2 Ends PA DAY ➤ Semester 1 Final marks due 9:00 am & Verifications due 12:00 noon ➤ UTMUN @ University of Toronto →	30 2 ➤ Semester 2/Term 1 Begins	31 →

February 2026

Earl Haig Secondary School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
African Heritage/Black Queering/Chinese Heritage/Pink Shirt Day Campaign						
1 > UTMUN @ University of Toronto	2 > Clubs & Council Fundraiser > Staff Submission Code of Conduct Sem 2 Period 1	3 > Clubs Presidents Meeting @ Lunch O'Grady Hall	4 > Equity Lunch - Room 238	5	6 > Guidance Class Visits Course Selection	7
8	9 > Guidance Class Visits Course Selection > Junior Course Selection Workshop	10 > ESL Course Selection Presentation Library 3:30 pm > School Council Meeting Course Selection 7:00 pm	11	12 > Semester 1 Report Card Distribution > Waste Audit #2 > Semi Formal	13 PA DAY	14
15	16 Louis Riel Day FAMILY DAY	17 Lunar New Year Ramadan Begins – Prayer Room Library > MyBlueprint Opens 9:00 am > Guidance Class Visits Course Selection	18 PLC – Late Start Staff Meeting	19	20 > Caribbean Lunch 11:40 am > MyBlueprint Closes 3:15 pm	21
22	23 > Parent/Guardian Contact Week	24 > CL/ACL Meeting Library 3:30 pm > One Acts Play Ruth Watson 7:00 pm	25 PLC – Late Start > Pink Shirt Day > Pascal, Cayley & Fermat Cafeteria 9:00 – 10:00 am	26 > Course Verification Distribution	27 > Black History Month Assembly	28

March 2026

Earl Haig Secondary School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Greek Heritage Month/Persian Heritage Month						
1	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Course Verification Due 9:00 am > Resume and Interview Workshop After School – Room 238 > SAC Week/SOPSS Spirit Week > LCreate Week 	3 Purim 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Clubs Presidents Meeting @ Lunch O'Grady Hall 	4 Holi 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Volunteer Opportunities and Employment Workshop @ Lunch > Staff vs Student Floor Hockey Buyout Large Gym 2:00 – 3:15 pm 	5 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Clubs & Councils Showcase @ Lunch 	6 A/2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > SOPSS Spring Assembly > Creation Rush after school Room 202 	7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > HaigMun @ EHSS
8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > HaigMun @ EHSS 	9 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Creation Rush after school Room 202 	10 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > CL/ACL Meeting Library 3:30 pm 	11 PLC – Late Start 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Café Carpe Cafeteria 7:00 pm 	12 2	13 1	14 Purim/Holi/Chet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Greece Trip March 14 - 23
15	16 B MARCH BREAK	17 B	18 B	19 Ramadan Ends/EID Navaratri (Mar19-27) B	20 EID/Nowruz B	21
22	23 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Greece Trip returns to Toronto 	24 SP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Parent/Teacher Interviews 10:00 am – 12:00 noon 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm 	25 PLC – Late Start Staff Meeting 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Parent/Teacher Interviews follow up > Financial Literacy Workshop Cafeteria After School 	26 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Fashion Event Cringan Hall – 6:00 pm 	27 A/1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Multicultural Assembly > LC Executive Applications Due 	28
29	30 2	31 International Transgender Day 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Euclid Cafeteria 9:00 – 11:00 am 				

April 2026

Earl Haig Secondary School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Genocide Awareness/Latin-America History/Sikh Heritage/World Autism			1 Passover 1	2 Passover 2	3 H GOOD FRIDAY	4 ➤ OMUN
5 EASTER SUNDAY	6 H EASTER MONDAY	7 1 ➤ Pause & Pace Day ➤ School Council Meeting OSAP Information 7:00 pm ➤ Haig OMUN ➤ LC Executive Interviews Room 212 ➤ Clubs Presidents Meeting @ Lunch O'Grady Hall ➤ OSSLT	8 Passover 2 ➤ SAC Election Info Meeting Cafeteria 3:30 – 4:30 pm	9 Passover 1 ➤ Poetry-in-Voice Ruth Watson Theatre 3:45-5:00 pm	10 Orthodox Good Friday 2	11 ➤ OMUN Upper Canada College
12 Orthodox/Coptic Easter Sunday ➤ OMUN Upper Canada College	13 Orthodox Easter Monday 1 ➤ Dance Matinee Cringan Hall 10:00 am, 11:30 am, 1:00 pm ➤ LC Executive Interviews Room 212 ➤ OSSLT	14 2 ➤ Semester 2/Term 1 ends ➤ CL/ACL Meeting Library 3:30 pm ➤ Dance Night Cringan Hall 7:00 pm	15 1 ➤ Semester 2/Term 2 begins ➤ Equity Lunch – Room 238	16 2	17 1 ➤ Semester 2 Mid-Term marks due 9:00 am & Verifications due 12:00 noon	18
19	20 2 ➤ LC Executive Interviews Room 212	21 1 ➤ Zoom Film Festival Cringan Hall 7:00 pm	22 Earth Day PLC – Late Start 2	23 1 ➤ Multicultural Lunch ➤ Haig State Spring Fling Jr. Coed Ultimate Tournament 7:00 am – 5:00 pm ➤ Semester 2 Mid-Term Report Cards Distribution	24 2 ➤ Community Cleanup ➤ Haig State Spring Fling Sr. Coed Ultimate Tournament 7:00 am – 5:00pm	25
26	27 1 ➤ SAC Election Week	28 2	29 PLC – Late Start Staff Meeting 1 ➤ Grade 12 Drama Show Cringan Hall 7:00 pm	30 A/2 ➤ SAC Election Assembly ➤ SAC Election Voting ➤ Full Disclosure		

May 2026

Earl Haig Secondary School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Asian Heritage/Jewish Heritage/National Speech and Hearing/Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention					1 Vesak 1 ➤ SAC Election Voting	2
3	4 2 ➤ Arts Week	5 Red Dress Day 1 ➤ Clubs Presidents Meeting @ Lunch O'Grady Hall ➤ Grade 10 Drama Night Ruth Watson Theatre 4:00 & 7:00 pm	6 2 ➤ Equity Breakfast Room 238 8:00 am ➤ Budget Meeting #1 Library 3:30 pm	7 1 ➤ Pierre Berton Awards Ceremony Library 3:45 - 5:30 pm	8 2 ➤ Accident Awareness Grade 12 Assembly Period 1	9
10	11 1 ➤ Eco Week	12 2 ➤ School Council Meeting 7:00 pm	13 1 ➤ Budget Meeting #2 Library 3:30 pm ➤ Dance Collective Night Cringan Hall 7:00 pm	14 2 ➤ Volleyball Buyout Large Gym 2:00 – 3:15 pm ➤ Prom	15 1 ➤ Exam & Summative Copy Due in Main Office ➤ Waste Audit #3	16
17	18 H VICTORIA DAY	19 1 ➤ CL/ACL Meeting Library 3:30 pm ➤ Visual Arts Grad Show Meridian Theatre 6:00 pm	20 PLC – Late Start 2 ➤ Grade 9 Drama Night Ruth Watson Theatre 4:00 & 7:00 pm ➤ Budget Meeting #3 Library 3:30 pm	21 Shavuot 1 ➤ Valedictorian Elections	22 Shavuot 2 ➤ Haig Olympics After School – Field	23
24	25 1	26 Eid al-Adha (May 26-30) A/2 ➤ Graduate Awards Assembly Followed by Garden Party ➤ Visual Arts Epilogue Art Studios 6:00 pm	27 PLC – Late Start Staff Meeting 1 ➤ Budget Meeting #4 Library 3:30 pm	28 2 ➤ Clubs Banquet Cafeteria 3:30 – 5:00 pm ➤ MP4 Challenge After School – Room 202	29 1 ➤ Field Trip Moratorium	30
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June 2026

Earl Haig Secondary School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 ➤ Music Showcase Part 1 Cringan Hall 7:00 pm	2 ➤ School Council Executive Meeting 6:00 pm ➤ Music Showcase Part 2 Cringan Hall 7:00 pm	3 ➤ Film Arts Gala Cringan Hall 7:00 pm	4 ➤ Summer SOPSS Assembly ➤ Carpe Day	5 ➤ Summer SOPSS Assembly (Rain Day) ➤ Carpe Day (Rain Day)	6
7	8 ➤ Music Gala Cafeteria 3:30 – 6:00 pm	9 ➤ CL/ACL Meeting Library 3:30 pm	10 ➤ Moratorium ➤ Claude Watson Showcase Period 1 & 2 Cringan Hall ➤ Athletic Banquet 3:00 – 8:00 pm	11	12 ➤ Grade 9 EQAO	13
14	15 ➤ Locker Cleanout ➤ Grade 9 EQAO	16 SP/E ➤ Tutorial - AM ➤ English Exams - PM	17 EXAMS	18	19	20
21	22 EXAMS ➤ Promotion Meetings	23 ➤ Semester 2 Final Marks due 1:00 pm and Verifications due 3:30 pm	24 ➤ Exam Review Day AM	25 ➤ Commencement PA DAY	26 ➤ Last Staff Meeting 11:00 am PA DAY	27
28	29 ➤ Semester 2 Final Report Card Distribution Week	30	ABGLTTQQ2S – Pride/Filipino Heritage/Italian Heritage/National Indigenous History/Portuguese Speaking Heritage			