



Earl Haig Secondary School

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GRADE RANGE:	9 to 12

Interesting Feature

2011- 2012

Features

- full range of academic, arts, and broad-based technology courses provided for students enrolled in two distinct programs
- enrichment program in core subjects with extended opportunities for students with a special interest in a subject area
- intensive learning opportunities to heighten awareness, appreciation, and concern for global issues and the environment
- opportunities for all students to develop leadership skills through outstanding athletics, academic, and arts co-curricular programs

Carpe Diem

Earl Haig Secondary School serves a diverse population and is recognized for its academic focus, enthusiasm for learning, lively school spirit, and commitment to the arts. The dignity and safety of every student is a priority here. The school's large size and professional staff ensures a wide variety of curricular and extra-curricular opportunities for our students as well as developing leadership skills.

Earl Haig has two related but distinct programs. The Collegiate Program offers high-quality academic programming. The Claude Watson Arts Program offers an enriched art education in Dance, Drama, Music, Screen Arts and Visual Arts. The combination produces a unique range of educational opportunities for all students.

Claude Watson Arts Program

Experience one of the very best enriched art education programs. We invite students with a demonstrated talent in dance, drama, music, screen arts, and visual arts to an audition. Students divide their day between rigorous academic classes and our extensive arts program taught by skilled teachers and guest artists. Our students perform in provincial, national, and international competitions.

We also offer a two-week summer program for students in grades 7 and 8 to encourage young people to take arts at the high school level. Please contact the Claude Watson artistic director at ext. 20137 for more information.





Enrichment Program

We offer an enrichment program in English, Math, Social Sciences, and Science from grades 9 to 11. Those courses provide you with additional challenges and opportunities for independent learning, in addition to expanding your critical and analytical thinking skills.



Student Success Program

This program is focused on assisting students who require additional intensive support by providing learning skills, credit recovery, and peer tutoring support. We help students develop good study skills to use in their courses.

Our Intervention Program supports students by focusing on the development of team building skills and cooperation as well as credit rescue.



Experiential Learning Opportunities Year (ELOY)

ELOY is an enrichment program designed for students who have completed four years of high school. There are four components to the program: real world work connections, additional high school courses, post-secondary study, and an option for travel.

The program will set students up for success after high school and allow exploration of new avenues of interest.



Computer and Information Technology

Our computer and information technology programs integrate these tools into the classroom. Our communications technology program creates opportunities for students to continue studies in college or university. We invite parents to visit www.earlhaig.ca where current events, significant dates, course profiles, information about parent school council meetings are listed.



Additional Features

- Co-operative Education
- International Study Programs
- Eco-School Gold Level
- Drop Everything And Read (D.E.A.R.)
- Screen Arts Program
- E-Learning Program
- Equity Design Team
- Transition Program



Student Life - Where You Belong

Our students have great opportunities to develop leadership skills and have fun. We offer more than 75 clubs and councils, as well as 35 sports teams. Students help to organize our fashion show, dance nights, art show, coffee house, and zoom film festival. They perform or attend our music showcase, one-act plays, symphony and jazz nights. Our athletic program offers a wide range from traditional sports to specialized activities such as rugby, martial arts training, golf, boys' and girls' hockey, and ultimate frisbee.

Our intensive extra-curricular learning programs heighten awareness, appreciation and concern for global issues and the environment. Enriched overseas experiences are available for travel to other countries and we host international students through exchange programs to increase their understanding and awareness of global issues.

Cultural and arts studies are offered on our annual trips to Greece, Italy, and New York. We have established international connections with China, England, France, Holland, Hong Kong, Korea, Japan, Mexico, and Taiwan.



What Sets Us Apart

Our school has an excellent reputation in Toronto. We help students create their future. Over 95 per cent of our students are accepted into the university of their choice. We have expanded our co-operative education program, developing partnerships to respond to our students' interests. The Claude Watson Arts Program offers an enriched art education for students with a demonstrated talent in Dance, Drama, Music, Screen Arts, and Visual Arts. Graduates of this program are better prepared to advance their arts studies and to achieve their career dreams. We coach and involve students in Mathematics, Science, Business, English, French and Arts contests at every level, including the Sir Isaac Newton contest for grade 12 Physics students, the Avogadro contest for grade 11 chemistry, the University of Toronto national biology competition, the provincial and international DECA for business students, Canadian Open Math Challenge, Kiwanis Music Festival, Pierre Berton Writing Contests, and Sears Drama Festival.





Parent and Community Engagement

- The Foundation and Alumni include parents, students, alumni, and staff that supports Earl Haig's Cringan Hall and scholarship program.
- Partnership has been developed with Trinity Theatre Studios
- Community connections are made for our Co-op Student Placement Program
- Community members support our summer volunteer and work opportunities event
- Guest artists are an integral part of the Claude Watson Arts Program
- International relationships are promoted with France, Greece/Italy, Holland, Hong Kong, Japan, Taiwan, and United States
- School Council meets regularly to discuss school issues and concerns
- Parents are welcome to attend all school events
- Website, Haig Line Newsletters, Info Hotline, and Constant Contact provide on-going information to parents



TDSB - Better Schools. Brighter Futures

Imagine a TDSB where all schools share a common core set of characteristics. They are community-driven and focused on teaching and learning. Students and parents have a wide variety of opportunities and there are enough students in every school to increase program choices.

Imagine there is a clear focus on achieving student success and every student is engaged, has a voice, access to a caring adult and the opportunity to develop their full potential.

Here at the TDSB our focus is on student achievement, parent and community engagement and financial stability.



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