ST. MARY GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT POST-SECONDARY NEWSLETTER 2018-2019

Planning Resources for Pathways

There are many ways to journey toward work. The journey involves the transition from grade-to-grade and to life after high school to one of the post-secondary destinations of: Apprenticeship, College, Community Living, University or the Workplace.

Post-Secondary Fair for Parents & Students

Thursday, October 11 @ St. Mary CSS (6:30 - 9:00 p.m.): Representatives from 30+ Colleges, Universities and Apprenticeships will be available in small group presentations and gymnasium fair. See St. Mary Guidance webpage for more details.

Post-Secondary Planning Session for Parents

On the evening of Parent-Teacher interviews, parents of Grade 12 students will have the opportunity to participate in a post-secondary information session.

Apprenticeships

Students can research information about careers in the Skilled Trades at <u>www.apprenticesearch.com</u> and Ministry of Training, Colleges, and Universities (MTCU): <u>https://www.ontario.ca/page/prepare-apprenticeship</u>

Ontario Colleges

Students can research information about Ontario Colleges at <u>www.ontariocolleges.ca</u>

Ontario Universities

Students can research information about Ontario Universities at *www.electronicinfo.ca* (eINFO)

ONTransfer

Students can research information about transfer pathways (i.e., bridging and collaborative programs) between Ontario Colleges and Universities at <u>www.ontransfer.ca</u>

Links

For useful Pathways Planning links please go to: stmary.dcdsb.ca > Programs and Services > Guidance > Getting Ready for Post-Secondary

Here you will find information about apprenticeships, colleges, community living universities scholarships, and more!

Career Cruising

The Guidance department will be communicating with Grade 12 students through Career Cruising providing information such as dates of postsecondary workshops, application procedures, and scholarships.

Login to Career Cruising at stmary.dcdsb.ca

Please verify that your email address is correct in Career Cruising so you can stay informed!

Scholarships and Financial Assistance

Links for Scholarships and Financial information can be found on the St. Mary Guidance Post-Secondary Planning webpage. Be sure to check criteria, dates for submission and other pertinent information when completing applications. If a letter of reference from the Principal or a teacher is required, students should complete a **Student Reference Form** which is available in the guidance office.

Studying in U.S.A.

Please be aware that the SAT or ACT evaluation must be written if you want to study in the United States. Information is available in the guidance office or at *<u>www.collegeboard.org</u>* or *<u>www.act.org</u>*

New to Canada

TOEFL, Michigan and YELT (English Proficiency tests), may be required of some immigrant students who have been in Canada less than four years. Consult individual university websites for testing information. All students must pass the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test to be eligible for an Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

College/University Timelines

Deadline to submit university applications for equal consideration to	January 16, 2019
all programs.	
Deadline to submit college applications for equal consideration.	February 1, 2019
Applications will be accepted after this date with the exception of many	
highly competitive programs.	
Recommended last date to submit changes to university applications .	February 5, 2019
Pay attention to individual university deadlines as some may be earlier	
than Feb 3.	
College Decisions – Offers of acceptance dates vary among colleges.	Offers begin February 1, 2019
University Decisions - There will be a limited number of acceptances	March to May 29, 2019
sent to students before mid-April. Most will be received after April	
midterm grades have been reviewed.	
Deadline for responding to an offer.	College: May 1, 2019
	University: June 1, 2019

	In the Community	@ St.Mary
College	- Ontario College Information Fair: Oct. 23 - 24 @ Enercare Centre,	Workshops:
	Exhibition Place <u>www.ocif.ca</u>	November 21, 22
University	- Ontario Universities Fair: Sept. 28-30 @ Metro Convention Centre	Workshops:
	<u><i>www.ouf.ca</i></u> * Register your OUF passport for access to resources!	November 7, 8
	- International University Fair: Oct. 1 @ Metro Convention Centre	
	www.studyandgoabroad.com	
Various	- Go Global Expo: Sept. 22, 2018 @ Mattamy Centre, Ryerson	
Post-	<u>www.letsgoglobal.ca</u>	
Secondary	- Study and Go Abroad: Oct. 14 @ Metro Convention Centre	
Options	www.studyandgoabroad.com	
	- Macleans Student Life Expo: Oct. 27 - 28 @ Metro Convention	
	Centre <u>www.studentlifeexpo.com</u>	