POST SECONDARY UPDATE #3 November 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

All students wishing to apply to college and/or university must do so before **Friday**, **December 20**th, **2019**. The applications are available online at the following websites:

University applications: www.ouac.on.ca

College applications: www.ontariocolleges.ca

Your **Personal Information Number (PIN)** is now available in Student Services for all students wishing to apply to university (through OUAC).

- It is critical that you begin the application process as soon as possible. Book an appointment with Ms. Nooyen or Mrs. English to discuss your post-secondary options.
- When applying please use an email address that you check regularly, as colleges/universities use email as their main communication tool.
- Remember that your application will not be processed until you have paid the application fee this means the colleges and/or universities will not see your application until you pay!

<u>CRITICAL INFORMATION – FULL DISCLOSURE & TRANSCRIPT MARKS</u>

The last day to drop a class without it showing on your high school transcript is **Wednesday, November 27th, 2019.** Once you have completed your application, check the transcript selection of your application to ensure that your courses and marks are listed. If you have any questions or concerns, please see Ms. Nooyen or Mrs. English. Information changes from post-secondary institution to post-secondary institution so it is extremely important that students are familiar with the prerequisite course requirements for their program(s) of choice. Students should also be familiar with the university / college policy regarding repeated courses.

GRADUATION PHOTOS

Important Information – Online procedure to sign up

Photos will take place in room 101 (across from Student Services)

Graduation portraits are now being scheduled for **Monday, November 25**th – **Thursday, December 5**th, **2019.** Portraits are taken by appointment only. You **MUST** book your appointment online at Prestigeportraits.ca use your appointment code to book your appointment. If you misplace your appointment code please see Ms. Nooyen or Ms. English in Student Services.

Please note – there is no cost for students wanting to have their graduation picture taken for yearbook and composite use only.

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SCHOLARSHIPS

<u>National Scholarship Program</u> – if you are interested in being considered for the National Scholarship Program at Western University please *submit a detailed resume outlining your community involvement and academic achievements* to Student Services by **Friday, November 22**nd. *This scholarship does require a school sponsorship.

<u>Schulich Leader Scholarship</u> if you are interested in being considered for the Schulich Scholarship please submit a *detailed resume outlining your community involvement and academic achievements* to Student Services by **Friday, November 22**nd. Also include the university program (s) you are applying for. Nominees must be enrolling in a Science, Technology, Engineering or Math (STEM) degree at one of the **partner universities**. Please visit *schulichleaders.com* to view the list of designated universities and STEM programs. *This scholarship does require a school sponsorship.

<u>TD Scholarship for Community Leadership</u> - recognizes the achievements of youth who are making a difference and help them realize their educational goals

Website: <u>www.td.com/scholarship</u> Deadline: November 15th, 2019

<u>Queen's University Scholarship Information</u> – if you are interested in applying for a Queen's University Major Admission Scholarship please see a counselor in Student Services

Website: www.queensu.ca/studentawards Deadline: December 1st, 2019

<u>Terry Fox Humanitarian Award Program</u> – recognizes dedication to community services, humanitarianism, perseverance and courage in the face of obstacles

Website: <u>www.terryfoxawards.ca</u> Deadline: February 1st, 2020

Students wanting information on bursaries and other scholarships should check the binder in Student Services. Students can also visit www.studentawards.com for information about scholarships and bursaries.

OUT OF PROVINCE APPLICATIONS

The Ontario University Application Centre (OUAC) will transmit academic data to some out of province universities. Students authorize this collection by providing their *OUAC reference number* on their out of province application. McGill, Concordia, Bishop's, Dalhousie, St. Mary's, UBC, Simon Fraser, the University of Calgary, the University of New Brunswick and the University of Victoria are currently using this system. If you are applying to an out of province university that does not use OUAC or an out of province college, please see a guidance counsellor as a transcript will need to be sent directly to that university/college.

NOTE: You must apply separately to universities/colleges outside of Ontario. There is a separate cost for each application (these costs vary from school to school). Information about the application process for college and university is available in Student Services. Book an appointment with a counsellor if you have any questions.

YEARBOOKS

Yearbook order forms are now available. Yearbook are \$45 and are payable by cash or cheque (made out to Ernestown Secondary School). You can also order online at ybpay.lifetouch.ca (code 13334120). You can personalize your books for an additional \$5. Drop off orders in Student Services by **December 20**th.