

The Learning Commons



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By Mrs. deBoer

Exams will be here before we know it! We have been busy working with students in arranging their accommodations for exams. If you have not spoken to your classroom teacher or a teacher in the Learning Commons, please do so today. We are here to support you as you prepare and write your exams. Take advantage of this by coming after school, Tuesday and Thursdays, 2:20-4:00.

Daily Reminders

After School Homework Help is available mainly for students in Grades 9 and 10 every Tuesday and Thursday after school from 2:25-4:00 pm (even while online). If you are interested in having your child attend, please send Mrs. deBoer an email (deboer@tdchristian.ca) or Edsby message. All students hoping to attend must be registered so we can ensure we have staff present to support all who come.

Past Updates

May 25, 2022

The end of the semester is fast approaching. If you would like to finish strong, there are a few things you can do. The first and best option is to reach out to your teachers. Ask them for help with any assignments you don't understand.

You can also come to homework help after school (on Tuesdays and Thursdays) or sign up for homework club during our new club period (Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays).

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You may also want to take advantage of free tutoring that is available through the University of Waterloo's Engineering program. It is for those struggling in upper levels of Calculus, Physics, and/or Chemistry.

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May 11, 2022

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April 27, 2022

We're already half way through this Semester! If you have been struggling in your classes and want some support from the Learning Commons there are a number of things you can do. The first and best option is to reach out to your teachers. Ask them for help with any assignments you don't understand.

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March 29, 2022

The Spring date for the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test is Thursday, April 7. Mrs. Janice deBoer has contacted the parents and students who will be writing the test on this date. There is an optional practice test afterschool on Tuesday, April 5. Students need to sign up with Mrs. deBoer if they wish to do this. Other ways for students to prepare for the test include: joining Mrs. deBoer during club time on Tuesdays, coming to After School Homework Help in the Learning Commons on Tuesdays and Thursdays, or working through workbooks and practice tests at home. If you would like more information please send Mrs. deBoer an Edsby message or email (deboer@tdchristian.ca).

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February 22, 2022

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Remember, don't forget to ask for help!

February 8, 2022

The second semester of learning has officially begun! Hopefully students are enjoying their courses and interacting with their teachers regarding support and accommodations. As always, students are reminded to connect with the Learning Commons or Guidance should they have any questions surrounding their courses, their IEP, or their Learning Profile.

January 25, 2022

We have made it to the end of the semester! Congratulations to all students for the hard work and effort put into this year so far. As we look ahead to February, and the start of another semester, students are reminded to connect with their new teachers regarding accommodations for their courses. The sooner students connect with their teachers, the better they get to know each student as a unique learner.

January 10, 2022

With the shift to online learning, we want to remind all students that help and support is still available to you. Connect with your teachers and your classmates through Edsby. Ask questions in your Zoom lessons. Also, take advantage of the support that is available to you from The Learning Commons. Check the announcements each morning for Zoom Links where someone will be waiting to support you as needed. Alternatively, if you have an IEP or a Learning Profile you are welcome to come into school for additional support from 8:30 am – 3:10 pm. Please have your parent/guardian contact me (Mrs. Jaworski) so we know who to expect in-school this week.

December 7, 2021

Congratulations to all of the students who wrote the literacy test this past month! As we look ahead to after the Christmas Break, students are reminded that final examinations and presentations are just around the corner. Students with access to accommodations are reminded to talk to their teachers about what they need to be successful as soon as possible in order to pass their courses this semester.

November 22, 2021

The Literacy Test: Students in Grades 10 and 11 will be writing the online Ontario Secondary School Literacy test this week. The test will take place on **Wednesday, November 24** for the Grade 10's and **Friday, November 26** for the Grade 11's. If you have any questions, ask your Grade 10 or 11 student for the letter handed out at the practice test or email Janice de Boer (deboer@tdchristian.ca)

Reminder to students: You will be required to stay in the literacy test classroom for the entire test period. Please bring a book or headphones, along with all necessary materials to be successful.

