

## Important Notes for 2021-22

**Health & Safety:** Read the *“Return to School Plan”* posted on the Splash! Page. We work together to stay safe.

**Daily Schedule:** School runs from 8:55 a.m. to 2:25 p.m. daily. The weekly schedule will include four days with one long class of about two hours and two classes of about 75 minutes each. Three days will include Club Periods. For the first two weeks, to get back into the rhythm of school, we will run four-period days.

**Grades 10 to 12, and Fifth Year Final Student Schedules** will be posted in Edsby for students on Sept. 1 or 2. Included with this mailing is a page that lists courses and periods in which students have been scheduled. Parents or guardians must email [schedules@tdchristian.ca](mailto:schedules@tdchristian.ca) to request changes to these schedules on or before August 31. Guidance will consider the requests and respond. We wish to make all changes prior to Sept. 7.

**Grade 9 Students** will follow the Grade 9 Week One schedule included in this mailing for the first three days. They will pick up their Semester 1 schedules when they arrive at school on Fri., Sept. 9.

**Homeroms:** Groups of students from all grades will be placed in Homeroms A to U. However, these groups will likely not meet in person until the number of contacts allowed increases substantially.

**Dress Code:** Dress and appearance should be appropriate for a positive and safe (e.g. shop and PE) learning environment; 1 Corinthians 6:19, 20 reminds us that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit; we are to honour God with our bodies. At TDChristian, we work diligently to ensure good working relationships among students and teachers. Making good choices about dress for school is important. The dress code is in the Family & Student Handbook (link is on the Splash! Page). Here are key things to consider:

- any rips or tears in clothing must only be in appropriate places.
- tops must have sleeves that cover the shoulders.
- tops must be such that midriffs remain covered at all times.
- shorts worn to class must be long enough to reach the bottom of the finger tips when students stand straight with arms and hands at their sides. i.e. PE shorts should not normally be worn to other classes.

**Hats and Hoods:** Students may wear them in a respectful manner. As with clothing, what they advertise must be appropriate for a school setting.

**Presentations and Celebrations of Learning:** Since presentations are integral to learning, students are required to present in every course. Our students learn a lot about presenting while at TDChristian and do it well.

**Community Service Hours:** In order to graduate, Grade 12 students must complete 20 hours of community service while in high school. Other students must complete 40. Check the Splash! Page for all the information.

**Honour Roll:** Guidelines for the TDChristian Honour Roll are found in the Family & Student Handbook.

**Mentorship:** Grade 11 students and families should read the Mentorship @ TDChristian page to learn more about this exciting program.

**Technology:** Students are expected to follow the *Technology Code of Conduct* found in the *Family & Student Handbook*.

**Membership:** Find out how you can become a **Voting Member** of TDChristian during 60 to 90-minute sessions scheduled throughout the year. Click the Membership @ TDChristian link on the Splash! Page to learn more.

**Mini-Handbook (and Phone Directory) for 2021-22** will be published and distributed late in September to ensure a higher-level of accuracy and to include all TDChristian families.

**Parent/Guardian Volunteer Hours:** Find out how you can fulfill the 25 hour per family requirement by reading the Volunteering @ TDChristian sheet. Contact Meg Rosie at [mrosie@tdchristian.ca](mailto:mrosie@tdchristian.ca) if you have questions.

**For More Information and Details of All Things TDChristian:** Check the *Family & Student Handbook* which can be accessed by clicking the link on the Splash! Page. The newest version will be published in early September.