

# ALPINE SKIING CHAMPIONS!

The Alpine Ski Team participated in the SDSSAA Championships on Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at Adanac Ski Hill. Our boys team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> overall, while our girls team took home the gold! Team members included: Alex R., Matthew O., Jay G., Michael A., Owen A., Thomas B., Caston A., William M., Cameron V., Enzo S., Mackenzie A., Maddy B., Lauren H., Jasmine K., Grace F., Kennedy W., and Jennifer B.. Top overall finishers were, Lauren H. - Gold, Kennedy W. - Silver and Alex R. Bronze. All racers will advance to the NOSSA Championships on Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at Adanac Ski Hill. Way to go Vikings!



# GRADE 9 TECHNOLOGY AT LOCKERBY COMPOSITE

Greetings and salutations, my name is Cassidy S. In my technology class, we're learning how to make 3D designs with a free website called, 'Homestyler.' This website allows you to design and furnish houses online. With it, I've created what I'd want my future living room to look like.



# **GRADE 9 AND 10 WINTER DANCE**

Student Council is hosting a winter wonderland dance for our grade 9 & 10 students. The date of the dance is Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019.

Tickets sales have begun, so get yours today!



# THIS WEEK IN VIKINGS ATHLETICS . . .

## Nordic Skiing

The Lockerby Vikings Nordic ski team competed in the SDSSAA City Champioship meet on Wednesday, and came home with some hardware! In the Senior Girls 5.5 km race, Kamry B., Ella C., and Laurel D. placed second overall as a team, while our Junior Boys team of Theo P., Travis A., and Konrad S-H. also placed second overall! Our team will be competing at the NOSSA Regional Championships in North Bay this coming Tuesday.



## **Boys Hockey**

Our Boys Hockey Team defeated the Manitoulin Mustangs 7-6 on Wednesday to secure a spot in the Division 2 SDSSAA City Championships. The team will travel to Manitoulin on Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup> to play their 1<sup>st</sup> game of a best of three set. Good luck Vikings!



# LOCKERBY'S BLOOD DRIVE: 2019

In total, two dozen Lockerby students donated blood towards our annual blood drive capaign this week. Kudos to all those that were able to give! Our Blood Drive Committee is organizing a second donation session for our senior students at the end of May. Please see Mr. Lafraniere for more information and/or to check eligibility requirements for our spring donation session by visiting: https://blood.ca/en/blood/am-i-eligible



# **GRADE 10 LITERACY TEST**

A reminder to parents/guardians that grade 10 students will be writing the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) on Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Attendance and preparation for this test is very important (as it is a graduation requirement).

Starting every Wednesday, beginning February 13<sup>th</sup>, Ms. Baggs will be facilitating mini workshops at lunch in Room 102. Students are welcome to attend and learn some valuable tips and strategies for the test. Lockerby Composite will also be providing intensive workshops for students in the month of March (dates to follow). There is a red binder in Student Services where students can sign-up for these intensive workshops. The workshops dates are:

- February 27<sup>th</sup> : Period 2
- February 28<sup>th</sup> : Period 3
- March 1<sup>st</sup>: Period 4
- March 19<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> : Periods 1 4
- March 22<sup>nd</sup> : Periods 1-3
- March 25<sup>th</sup> : Periods 2-4

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# Understanding the Literacy Test

Information for Parents and Guardians: 2019

# Quick Facts

## OSSLT Test

The Ontario Secondary School Literacy test will be written for approximately two and a half hours on the morning of:

#### Wednesday, March 27, 2019

## 🕮 Test Format

Students will complete 2 test booklets. Each test booklet will be completed in 75 minutes.

## Participation

Successful completion of the Literacy Test is a requirement for students who entered Grade 9 in September 2017 or later and who are working toward an Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

Participants in the March 27, 2019 Literacy Test may include:

- students who entered grade 9 in the 2017-2018 school year
- students who did not pass the Literacy Test in a previous test administration
- students who were absent, deferred, or exempted from a previous test administration

## Resources

Helpful resource and additional information can be found on the following websites:

www.eqao.com (OSSLT) http://gsuitehelp.ca/osslt/



# What will students be asked to do on the test?

The test is based on the reading and writing skills across all subjects in The Ontario Curriculum up to the end of Grade 9.

## **Reading Selections and Questions**

Students will be asked to read a variety of selections and answer questions about each selection.

There will be two kinds of questions: multiple-choice questions and questions that require a brief explanation.

These questions will focus on:

- directly stated ideas and information
- indirectly stated ideas and information
- making connections between information and ideas in the reading selection and personal knowledge and experience

Reading selections vary in length from a single paragraph to two pages. The following types of reading selections are included on the test:

- information paragraph
- news report
- real-life narrative
- graphic selection

## Writing Tasks

Students will demonstrate their writing skills by completing the following:

- short writing tasks requiring a response in six lines
- two long writing tasks
  - a news report (one page in length)
    a series of paragraphs expressing an opinion (two pages in length)
- multiple-choice questions

The writing tasks focus on:

- developing a main idea with sufficient supporting details
- organizing information and ideas in a way that makes sense
- using conventions (spelling, grammar, punctuation) in a way that doesn't take away from clear communication

#### What happens if a student is not successful on the test?

Successful completion of the Literacy Test or the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Course is a requirement for students who entered Grade 9 in September 2017 or later and are working toward an Ontario Secondary School Diploma. Students who are not successful will have the opportunity to re-take an equivalent test in future years. There is no limit to the number of times that the test may be re-taken.

#### What is the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Course?

The Ontario Secondary Literacy course (OSSLC) is a full-credit Grade 12 course. This course is designed to help students acquire and demonstrate the literacy skills that are evaluated by the Literacy Test. Students who complete the course successfully will meet the provincial literacy requirement for graduation.

**Eligibility requirement to take the course**: Students who have been eligible to write the Literacy Test at least once and who have been unsuccessful at least once are eligible to take the course.

# How can parents/guardians learn more about the test and what will be required to complete the test successfully?

Teachers at Lockerby Composite School are helping students understand the requirements of the test and are providing practice opportunities so that they are well prepared to write the test.

- Grade 10 students can attend intensive OSSLT workshops in February and March (sign up in Student Services).
- Grade 10 homeroom teachers will be completing review sessions with their students.

Parents/Guardians are able to learn more about the requirements of the test by visiting the EQAO website:

- Go to <u>www.eqao.com</u> and use the "Search this site" tool to help you navigate through the website.
- Student Assessment Booklets and Scoring Guides provides an example of what to expect on the <u>March 27, 2019</u> Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test. Resources available for download on the EQAO website include:
- The Planning and Preparation Guide contains information about the reading and writing skills assessed on the test, the kinds of questions asked, sample test materials and tips for preparing for the test.
- The Getting Ready Guide provides details about the test content and a summary of key tips and strategies for successfully completing the test
- The OSSLT Framework Document provides a description of the assessment and an explanation of how it relates to the Ontario Curriculum
- (2) Lockerby Composite's Website at www.lockerby.net and/or http://gsuitehelp.ca/osslt/
- (3) Contact Ms. Baggs (Program Leader of Literacy) if you have any further questions or concerns at (705) 522-1750 x6513 or <u>baggsm@rainbowschools.ca</u>

# **STUDENT SERVICES**

## Grade 12: Post Secondary Applications

Marks have been sent to Ontario colleges and universities. Students are asked to check their OCAS and OUAC accounts to ensure that all of their courses and marks have been transferred. Students should also be checking their individual post secondary portals (i.e. Cambrian College and/or Laurentian University). Many of the schools have been providing details regarding additional requirements, incomplete applications, etc. As such, students must ensure that all of the necessary details for their application are complete; otherwise, they risk not being accepted into their program of choice if they fail to complete this very important step. We ask that students please see a guidance counsellor if they have yet to receive any email correspondence from the post secondary institutions that they have applied to.

## Grade 8: High School Applications

We are currently accepting registrations for students in Grade 8 from throughout the Sudbury District. Please remind your friends and family that applications for our STEP Program are due March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Students who would like to shadow one of our Grade 9 students are encouraged to call or email Mrs. Beaudry at 705-522-1750 ext. 6514 or beaudrg@rainbowschools.ca.

## Grades 9-12: Course Selection 2019-2020

Students will be completing their course selections for the 2019-2020 academic year from February 11<sup>th</sup> - February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019. In order to assist with the planning for this process, students are asked to complete their MyBlueprint electronic course selection (www.myblueprint.ca). Parents and students are encouraged to visit our school's website for detailed course descriptions and prerequisites (www.lockerby.net).

It is especially important for our present Grade 11 students to do their course selection research because they have to ensure they are picking the proper prerequisites they need for their postsecondary program of choice. This process of selecting courses can appear intimidating for many students, but counsellors will be working closely with our students to address their questions and concerns. Students can also gain valuable information from the College Information Website: http://www.ontariocolleges.ca/home, and University Information Website: www.ouac.ca. Detailed Information on all pathways (college, university, and the world of work) can be found at: www.myblueprint.ca.

## AP Capstone

During the 2017-2018 academic year, Lockerby Composite launched their AP Capstone Certificate Program. We are very pleased to be a part of this internationally recognized curriculum. As we move into the 2019-2020 academic year, we will be continuing to grow our program by offering the following AP classes: AP Seminar, AP Research, AP Calculus, and AP Biology. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to talk to one of our guidance counsellors.



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# **STUDENT SERVICES**

# Enrichment

# Observe a University Course - University of Sudbury on March 11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The University of Sudbury is extending an invitation to students in Grade 10, 11, and 12 to join them on campus during the March Break. Students will have an opportunity to experience what it is like to be a university student. There is no fee for attending. To learn more about this program or to register, please visit the school's website at www.usudbury.ca (look for the 'High School Students;' 'Experience A Class' tab).

## Explore - Language Enrichment Summer Program

Explore is a five-week French-language bursary program open to Grade 11 and 12 students. It takes place during the summer and is open for language learners at any skill level (beginner to advanced). The \$2,200 bursary covers most of the expenses and gives participants the opportunity to discover another region of Canada through activities, trips, and excursions in their host community while being immersed in la francophonie! The program is hosted at post-secondary campuses across Canada, some of which offer university credits and full-time summer employment opportunities following the program. For more information, please visit www.myexplore.ca.

# Volunteer Opportunities

## Pond Hockey Festival on the Rock

Greater Sudbury's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Pond Hockey Festival on the Rock will be held February 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 on Ramsey Lake. Additional information can be found on the official website at http://www.pondhockeyontherock.ca.

# OCAA Women's Volleyball Provincials

Do you love Volleyball? Enjoy helping with local sporting events? Now's your chance to dig your volunteer opportunity with the upcoming provincial championships being hosted at Cambrian College! The Cambrian Athletic Association is looking for Event Staff. If you are interested and/or would like more information, contact Andrea from CAA at caa@cambriacollege.ca. Please note: all confirmed volunteers must attend the mandatory Event Volunteer meeting on February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 at 5:30pm. Location to be communicated.



# LOCKERBY COMPOSITE TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

# March Break 2019: Australia

Students, parents and guardians are reminded that our final departure meeting will be occurring Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6:00 pm in Lockerby's Library. A number of important itinerary items and details will be shared at this meeting.



# March Break 2020: Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Italy, and France

Next year's March Break travel tour will include some of Europe's most spectacular sights. Students will travel to Neuschwanstein and see the fairy tale castle that inspired Sleeping Beauty's castle at Disney World, explore the maze of canals in Venice, and discover the City of Lights. Students will also have a chance to visit the town of Verona to see the balcony that is said to have inspired Shakespeare's tragic Romeo and Juliet.

International travel is a transformation experience and this tour will help students develop independence, learn new cultures, and foster global citizenship skills. There is also an opportunity for students to earn a Grade 11 Ontario Credit. Learn more about this amazing culture tour and credit opportunity at a parent information session, which will be held on Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6:00 pm.



# WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW FOR NEXT WEEK . . .

Dan Watson, our Social Worker is in the school next week.

Andrea Bennette, our Aboriginal Support Worker is in the school next week on Wednesday.

Nurse Holly, our Public Health Nurse is in the school next week on Wednesday.

Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

 SEMESTER 1 REPORT CARDS DISTRIBUTED IN HOMEROOMS

- Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>
- Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>
- Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup>

- Movie buy-out Period 2
- OSSLT workshop at lunch
- LCS Skills Day Competition
- Alexander P.S. Visit



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