

Parent Council Meeting Minutes
May 7, 2018

1. Thank you to our parent council co-chairs: Mirek Glowacki and Janaki Thiyagarajan
2. Student Survey
 - a. Recently we put out a survey to students to find out more about their involvement at school and the level of support they receive. We wanted to know how many students don't get involved in clubs/activities, and what we can do to remove some of their barriers.
 - b. Main Results: Reviewed with parents at the meeting
 - i. The school has already taken steps to remove barriers for students signing up for extra-curricular activities (on-line sign up/all info on a website indicating the meeting times and if the club has continuous intake).
 - ii. The school will look at ways to make curricular materials more accessible to students when they miss class.
 - iii. The school will look at offering a wider variety of clubs (cooking, dance).
3. Summer School
 - a. Full credit summer school sign up is happening now (at other TDSB schools)
 - b. Remedial summers school is avail at Bethune for Grade 9 and 10 Math
4. All students will receive their individualized exam schedule tomorrow. The schedule is also posted on the website.
5. Commencement takes place on June 28 at 1:00 p.m.
6. All students were given a link through their TDSB email to apply to be considered for "Special Awards".
7. All students are expected to come to school on June 25 to review their exams (exams are not returned) and receive their final mark.
8. Report card pick up is on June 29 at 10:00 a.m.
9. Bethune's Art dept is participating in a community project to paint a mural on the wall at Sanwood Park. Thank you to Principal Frank Lui and his staff for spearheading this project. The project will be completed in the coming week.
10. Spring Concert is on May 28 at Markham Theatre.
11. All parents are encouraged to attend the Art Show on June 5 (PM)
12. Bethune will be used as a polling station for the Provincial election on June 7
13. **School Year Calendar 2018-19**

The following 2018/19 dates are tentative, pending Ministry approval:

Secondary PA Days

- 5 October 2018
- 16 November 2018
- 7 December 2018
- 15 February 2019
- 26 June 2019
- 27 June 2019
- 28 June 2019

Exam Days for Bethune

- 10-21 June 2019
- 24-25 June 2019 (Exam Return)

School Year Holidays

- Labour Day: 3 September 2018
- Thanksgiving: 8 October 2018
- Christmas Break: 24 December 2018 – 4 January 2019
- Family Day: 18 February 2019
- Mid-Winter Break: 11-15 March 2019
- Good Friday: 19 April 2019
- Easter Monday: 22 April 2019
- Victoria Day: 20 May 2019