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## Willingdon Elementary adds senior campus – A first for EMSB



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From left: Seongjin On, Jaheim Elliston, Sophia Zampetoulakis and Nazmeen Hussain are looking forward to starting Grade 6 at the new senior campus.

by Kristin McNeill

Beginning in this 2019-20 academic year, Willingdon Elementary School in NDG will be housing its Grade 5 and 6 students in what it will be calling its Senior Campus, located at the former St. Ignatius of Loyola School building on Coronation and Somerled avenues.

The EMSB repurposed the school building over the summer to accommodate for the arrival of the elementary school's 150 senior students. As for the original Terrebonne building, it

will welcome the five incoming Kindergarten classes and returning students who will be in the Grade 1 to 4 classes. The school's Governing Board passed a motion to accept the EMSB's offer of the additional building in response to the reality that Willingdon was reaching its maximum capacity. The Coronation facility previously housed two alternative high schools (Focus and Outreach), which have been relocated to their own space at James Lyng High School in St. Henri. The students attending the new campus took part in a group walk and activity-

filled afternoon in June to become familiar with their new campus.

A celebratory ribbon-cutting event is set to be held in September with the beginning of the new school year. Some of the safety and beautifying renovations include repairs to lockers; a new paint job of the building; securing of the outside fence surrounding the school; creation of a new library/learning common, music room, science lab/maker space and nutrition lab; renovation of the stage with a new sound system; and repairs of classrooms. The design of the classrooms is made

## \$30K from Indigo



St. Gabriel Elementary School in Pointe St. Charles was recently awarded a \$30,000 grant from Indigo's Love of Reading Foundation. The funds will be used to purchase new books this academic year. St. Gabriel has also opened French immersion Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten streams for the 2019-20 academic year.

with a 21<sup>st</sup> century vision for its senior grades, including principles from the Universal Design for Learning educational framework. The now smaller student population in the original school building on Terrebonne (numbering about 430 for 2019-2020) will benefit in several ways. A bussing system has been created to accommodate those who walk to school and siblings who travel together. School busses will first drop off students at the Terrebonne campus. At the close of the school day, buses will first collect students from the senior campus and do a first drop-off stop at the junior campus.

The school's popular Extended Day Program (EDP) will be running from the junior campus, with the possibility of some lunch and after-school activities taking place at the senior campus.



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## From the Chairman's Desk Angela Mancini

### Significant challenges are ahead of us

As we enter the 2019-20 academic year, there are many challenges facing the public school system in Quebec.

Despite not having a seat at the Quebec National Assembly hearings, we submitted a brief to the provincial government in relation to *Bill 21: An Act Respecting the Laicity of the State*. The brief called for educators to be exempted from Bill 21. It also maintained that the legislation would contravene Section 23 of the Canadian Charter of Human Rights and Freedoms, which guarantees Quebec's English-speaking minority control over its education system. Sadly, the legislation was adopted.

Bill 21 was adopted and it will prohibit our future primary and high school teachers, school principals and vice-principals from wearing religious symbols in the exercise of their functions, while limiting the career advancement of our current employees. It sends a message of intolerance and exclusion to our students and their families and does not reflect the values of our founding legislation,



Chairman Angela Mancini chats with some students.

our mission and values and those of the Quebec Education Program. We believe it will lead to disharmony and friction and is contrary to our societal goal of promoting our peaceful co-existence in a pluralistic Quebec."

### Enrolment and Major School Change

In terms of enrolment we are pleased to see our numbers on the rise. This is particularly the case in the west end of town, where several school buildings are bursting at the seams. We have even opened a senior campus in NDG for Willingdon Elementary School to serve the Grades 5 and 6 pupils. In the East End, however, it is a much different story. For some time now we have been working with the Commission scolaire de

la Pointe de l'Île (CSPI) to try and assist with their overcrowding problems. We made a generous offer of cohabitation. Regrettably, the Minister of Education chose to transfer two of our schools (General Vanier and John Paul I) to the CSPI. The process in which this matter was handled disturbs us greatly.

This fall we will embark upon our first Major School Change consultation since 2012 in an effort to assist the French school boards in need of more space for their students. A number of scenarios involving possible school mergers and relocations in the east end have been proposed by our Long Range Planning Committee. Schools identified will be asked to present briefs in December, with hearings scheduled for January 2020 followed by a special board meeting to vote on the proposals with any changes to take effect on July 1, 2020. A second Major School Change consultation may be launched in the spring of 2020.

Now we are facing the prospect of the government abolishing school boards as we know them now and replacing them with what they are calling service centers.

### High Success Rate

It is too bad we have to deal with all of these types of headlines for pedagogically our record is sound. At 91 percent, we achieved the highest success rate among public school boards in the entire province of Quebec based on the most recent seven-year cohort, representing the number of students who complete their high school curriculum. This is all the more impressive given the fact the province-wide Success Rate, which includes both public and private school results, is 80.9 percent.

## Outstanding teachers recognized

EMSB marks Teacher Recognition Day with Breakfast Television and Group SportsScene

On the occasion of EMSB Teacher Recognition Day in May, three teachers were presented with special awards from P.F. Chang's and La Cage Brasserie Sportive. The ceremony took place on at Cedarcrest Elementary School in St. Laurent and was co-sponsored by City's Breakfast Television Montreal.



The EMSB launched this ceremony five years ago to coincide with National Teachers Day in the United States.

The EMSB received many nominations from parents, teachers and students for the awards, which fall into three categories: youth sector, adult sector, and physical education and health. Adrian Saad, regional director for Groupe SportsScene, which owns PF Chang's and La Cage, presented \$100 gift cards to teachers Stephanie Vezina-Tulli (Physical Education and Health) from Cedarcrest, Andrew Adams from LaurenHill Academy and Nicolina Sindici from the St. Laurent Adult Education Centre. Also recognized at the event was Michael McKenzie, who has retired from Cedarcrest after 30 years of service as a Physical Education and Health teacher.

Catherine Verdon-Diamond of Breakfast Television Montreal conducted live interviews from the school and hosted a formal awards ceremony.

For the complete story and background on the winners please log on to <https://bit.ly/2WpWzrQ>  
See our EMSB Video: <https://vimeo.com/335450884>  
See the Breakfast Television Coverage: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FFCGO4E95Jo>

This achievement was made possible thanks to all those who contribute to the excellent education provided by the EMSB, from our teachers, to staff, parents and volunteers and of course our students.

We improved our success rate by a significant 2.4 percent over last year, to achieve a record high 91 percent. In addition, Quebec private schools hold a mere 1.5 percent lead. The public school system is taking a leadership role in Quebec education, and as the

largest English public school board, we couldn't be more proud. These results are based on a Grade 7 cohort that entered the EMSB in 2010 and was followed for seven years. The numbers were compiled based on how many of these students obtained their final school leaving certification.

To our stakeholders I ask that you stand behind us as the future of our school system under a provincial government has never been in such peril.

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# DateBook

## 2019 ~ 20

**September 8**  
World Literacy Day

**September 10**  
National Grandparents' Day

**October 5**  
World Teachers Day

**October 6 to 12**  
Fire Prevention Week  
www.afleq.ca

**October 7 to 11**  
National Media Literacy Week  
www.medialiteracyweek.ca

**October 10**  
World Mental Health Day

**October 14**  
Thanksgiving

**October 16 and 17**  
Career Fair for High School Students  
Hosted by EMSB Student Services Department and Adult Education and Vocational Services  
St. Pius X Career Centre  
9955 Papineau, Ahuntsic

**November 11**  
Remembrance Day

**November 15 and 16**  
Quebec Provincial Teachers Association (QPAT) Convention

**November 18 to 22**  
Professionals in Education Week

**December 10**  
Human Rights Day

**December 23, 2019 to January 5, 2020**  
Christmas Break

**January 2020**  
EMSB Public School Education Month

**January 27**  
Family Literacy Day  
(www.fld-jaf.ca)

**February 2020**  
Black History Month

**February 3 to 7**  
Kindergarten Registration Week

**February 3 to 7**  
Teacher Appreciation Week (Quebec)

**February 10 to 14**  
Teacher Appreciation Week (Canada)

**February 10 to 14**  
Hooked on School Days

**Month of March**  
EMSB Nutrition Month

**March 2 to 6**  
March Break

**April 12**  
Terry Fox Day

**April 19 to 25**  
National Volunteer Week

**May 8**  
EMSB Teacher Recognition Day

**May 11 to 15**  
BASE Daycare Appreciation Week

All meetings can be viewed live at [www.emsb.qc.ca](http://www.emsb.qc.ca)

### Public Board Meetings

The EMSB council of commissioners meet in public once a month. They convene at 4:30 p.m. only to adopt the agenda and move *in camera*. Therefore, the session for the public convenes at 7:30 p.m. and is held in the Laurence Patterson Conference Room of the administration building at 6000 Fielding Ave. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please note that occasionally during the year special meetings are called. **Parents are urged to bookmark the EMSB website (www.emsb.qc.ca) to access Board meeting agendas and to be advised about special meetings.** To register for question period please call 514-483-7200,

ext. 7264. The meetings for the 2019-20 session shall be held:

- **September 25, 2019**
- **October 30, 2019**
- **November 27, 2019**
- **December 18, 2019**
- **February 26, 2020**
- **March 25, 2020**
- **April 29, 2020**
- **May 6, 2020** (staffing and administrative appointments)
- **May 27, 2020**
- **June 10, 2020**
- **June 30, 2020** (budgets and year-end items)

## EMSB Commissioners



**ANGELA MANCINI**  
Chairman  
Member, Executive Committee



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**WARD 8**  
(St. Léonard)



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## EMSB Career Fair

The annual EMSB Career Fair Open House will take place on: **Wednesday, October 16** at St. Pius X Career Centre in Ahuntsic (9955 Papineau Boulevard North) from 6 pm to 8 pm.

We are strongly recommending that our students presently in Grades 10 and 11 take advantage of this opportunity with their parents for a one-stop shopping experience regarding post secondary education opportunities at CEGEPs, private business colleges and vocational centres.

There is no admission charge and parking is free in the rear lot off of Sauriol Avenue.

### OPEN HOUSE



Universities will also be represented in the large kiosk area.

For more information, log on to [www.emsb.qc.ca](http://www.emsb.qc.ca) or call 514-483-7200.



# Accolades

## PHYS. ED. CONFERENCE

The EMSB was represented by 35 teachers May 2 to 4 at the Physical and Health Education National Conference, organized by PHE Canada in partnership with the Association of Physical Educators of Quebec (APEQ) and La Fédération des éducateurs et éducatrices physiques enseignants du Québec (FEEPEQ) representing the English and French physical education professional associations in Quebec respectively. They partnered together for the first time to work with PHE Canada to bring the conference to Quebec. This marked the first time the conference had been held in Quebec since 1982. It took place in the Sir Arthur Currie Gymnasium of McGill University. Physical Education and Health teachers and researchers from across Canada were registered to attend, including over 200 from Quebec. Workshops were offered in English, French or bilingually.

Over 60 workshops were offered. Former NHL coach Ted Nolan was the keynote speaker. Ironman athlete Pierre Lavoie, founder of Le Défi Pierre Lavoie, spoke as well. Last year, the EMSB Professional Improvement Committee committed to approving all applications from teachers to attend the conference, a recognition of this important opportunity for professional development. Katherine Baker, the EMSB's Physical Education and Health Consultant, has been involved with the organization of this conference for the past two years.



EMSB Physical Education teachers don their new Physical Literacy shirts.

## Royal West brings home win from national science fair

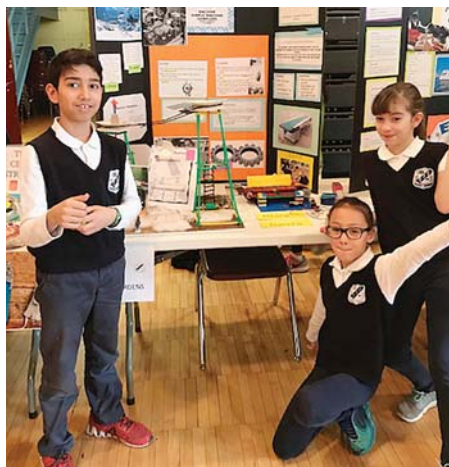


Royal West Academy students Adelka Felcarek-Hope, Sofia McVetty and Hajeong Seo celebrate their silver medal finishes at the Canada-wide science fair.

Three Royal West Academy students attended the Canada-Wide Science and Technology Fair May 15 to 17 in Fredericton, NB. Grade 10 students Adelka Felcarek-Hope and Sofia McVetty, for their project "The Poly-Phaeophyceae Method", won the silver medal from Science jeunesse Canada, which included \$2,000 scholarships to Western University. Hajeong Seo, won the same honours for her project "Fog On, Fog Off." In an EMSB podcast, Suzanne Desautels spoke with the students and science teacher Andrea Dillon.

## Foire Maker Space

Le campus junior de l'Académie Lauren Hill a accueilli des élèves de 11 écoles primaires – Bancroft, Carlyle, Coronation, Dalkeith, Dunrae Gardens, Elizabeth Ballantyne, Honoré Mercier, Académie internationale



Les élèves ont apprécié l'événement.

Michelangelo, Sinclair Laird, Pierre Elliott Trudeau et Westmount Park, de même que l'école secondaire John Paul I – à l'occasion de sa première Foire annuelle STEAM (STIAM) Maker. Cette journée se voulait une célébration des projets mettant en lumière l'initiative STIAM et le travail remarquable de nos élèves.

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**EMSB Express Quiz** **CLUE:** The answers to these questions can be easily found by reading this issue, via the EMSB website and the online high school booklet.

- 1 What is the most recent record success rate recorded by the EMSB, as reported by Angela Mancini?
- 2 On what dates will Kindergarten Registration Week take place?
- 3 What dates will the EMSB Career Fair fall upon this year?
- 4 On what day does March Break begin?
- 5 Who were the EMSB's most recent Volunteers of Distinction?
- 6 What organization do the EMSB Volunteer Ambassadors of the Year run?
- 7 What are the names of the three teachers who were honoured by the EMSB?
- 8 Which EMSB school is getting an elementary school senior campus?
- 9 Which high school do the three students who won silver medals at the Canada-Wide Science and Technology Fair attend?
- 10 On what date will the John F. Kennedy High School Open House be?

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**The deadline is September 30, 2019.**

Please cut out this form and bring it to the office of your school and ask that it be sent to Room 109 of the EMSB Head Office at 6000 Fielding via the internal mail system. You can also access the form at [www.emsb.qc.ca](http://www.emsb.qc.ca).





# EMSB honours its volunteers

The annual English Montreal School Board Parent Volunteer Appreciation Evening took place last April 9 at the Plaza Volare of the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Cote de Liesse in St. Laurent. The event was held to commemorate National Volunteer Week, under the theme of "Cheers to 20 Years of Volunteers."

Adrian and Natalie Bercovici were this year's Volunteer Ambassadors of the Year. They founded the Generations Foundation in 1999, which provides breakfasts, hot lunches and snacks daily to over 8,500 children annually. It all began at the EMSB's St. Gabriel Elementary School in Pointe St. Charles. The organization now serves 118 schools and centres in the Greater Montreal area.

The Volunteer of Distinction this year was Carol Clifton. She began volunteering at St. Gabriel School in 1982 when she enrolled her first child in kindergarten. It all began when she became a member of the Parents Committee. In addition, she was a member of the Governing Board and also started a Home and School

and legal access; commercial insurance; and group insurance.

## Other Major Sponsors

Along with La Capitale, the 2019 EMSB Volunteer Appreciation Evening was proud to have the following companies as its major sponsors:

Steve's Music Store ([www.stevesmusic.com](http://www.stevesmusic.com)) is a major force in the Canadian music industry since 1965, which caters to all kinds of musical needs. Representative Norm Zimmerman gave out the grand doorprize, a Cajon. This is a simple box drum which you sit on to play.

Loft Uniforms ([www.loftuniforms.com](http://www.loftuniforms.com)) sells a large selection

## The Volunteer of Distinction this year was Carol Clifton.

Association volunteer program. She is now president of the Home and School, where she continues to devote a considerable amount of time.

Time and space do not allow the EMSB to honor all of its nearly 1,500 volunteers in person. Therefore, only those individuals who have volunteered for more than five years attended the reception, representing some 500 people. However, several thousand copies of a commemorative program book were distributed to each school.

## La Capitale: Title Sponsor

The emcees for the evening were Global News senior anchor Jamie Orchard and EMSB Communications and Marketing Specialist Mike Cohen.

For the 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, La Capitale Financial Services ([www.lacapitale.com](http://www.lacapitale.com)) was the title sponsor for this event. La Capitale offers a wide range of products and services designed to simplify financial choices for members working in the public and para public sectors in over 900 public and para public institutions across the province. These services include: personal financial advice; savings, investments and funds; individual life and health insurance; mortgages and personal loans; insurance for automobiles, recreational vehicles, home, travel

of school uniforms for public and private schools, at both elementary and secondary levels, across Quebec and Ontario

Green Apple Studio ([www.greenapplestudio.ca](http://www.greenapplestudio.ca)) is a photography studio that serves schools and daycare centres, and uses award-winning background replacement technology, which gives more flexibility and choices when it comes to student portrait photos. They are also the official photographer for Volunteer Appreciation Night.

Promotions Hannah ([www.hannahpromotions.com](http://www.hannahpromotions.com)) is an agency that specializes in offering promotional products and strategies that help to impact overall growth objectives, with their main focus of contributing towards their clients' overall profit and sales evolution. Neil Janna, who is also a standup comedian, serves as the company representative to the EMSB.

Fana Sports ([www.fanasports.com](http://www.fanasports.com)) is a proud partner of the EMSB Volunteer Night. A Montreal-based sports manufacturing company that specializes in custom team sports apparel, it makes sports uniforms with school colours and logos. Everything is produced here. It also offers cresting and numbering services, as well as a new cut-and-sew customized team wear line. If your

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(1) Emcees Mike Cohen and Jamie Orchard. | (2) Joe Ortona, Angela Mancini, Penny Fenwick, Mubeenah Mughal and Joseph Lalla. | (3) Ann Marie Matheson, Principal Jim Dakalakis and Angela Mancini congratulate Carol Clifton. | (4) Julio Eid from La Capitale addresses the audience. | (5) A group of volunteers from Nesbitt Elementary School. | (6) Sabrina Mendaglio and Andrea Di Tomaso at the registration desk. | (7) Ann Marie Matheson, Adrian and Natalie Bercovici, Angela Mancini and Generations Foundation board member Leslie Butt. | (8) EMSB Parents Committee Chair Joseph Bondi thanks the volunteers. | (9) The EMS Bee mascot Bumble was a big hit with the crowd.

All Volunteer Night pictures were taken by GREEN APPLE STUDIO ([www.greenapplestudio.ca](http://www.greenapplestudio.ca))





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(10) La Capitale was back as the title sponsor. | (11) Mitchell Yaffy from Universal Socks. | (12) The Green Apple Studio representatives.

school wants to dress like a pro and feel like a pro, do not hesitate to call them.

Building Blocks Tutorials (www.bbtutorials.com) was founded in 2004, and offers final exam crash courses and academic workshops, with an aim to instill effective and lifelong learning strategies and problem solving skills. This in turn helps to build a sense of confidence, motivation and success for students that will not only impact them academically, but also professionally and personally.

Dynamix (www.getdynamix.com) is the leader in teambuilding and character development for kids, teens and professionals in the youth sector. Through fun, hands-on and action packed experiences, they provide groups the opportunity to reflect on important issues like respect, cooperation and team spirit. Info: montreal@getdynamix.com.

Everblast's (everblastmtl.com) innovative programs help parents and organizations offer fun, fast-paced, and exhilarating games to their kids while sharing a positive message. Everblast games can be played in small, medium or gigantic groups! Kids love the programs and want to repeat and share their experiences over and over again. Everblast continues to develop programs for Carnivals, fun day, ped days and more. Info: Corey@everblastmtl.com

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Alessandrini, Marco  
Alexis, Melissa  
Allooh, Waleed  
Alogbo, Simone  
Alsmadi, Zainab  
Alvaro, Lina  
Amato, Vanessa  
Amoroso, Francesco  
Amos, Margaret  
Andersen, Maja Roving  
Anderson, Bobbie  
Angelillo, Rosanna  
Antippa, Sophie  
Araujo, Sandra  
Arcuri, Anthony  
Arnone, Vincenzo  
Arundi, Claudia  
Asencio, Monica  
Astles, Sascha  
Attard, Eliane  
Attiana, Kimia  
Augello, Charlotte  
Aversano, Tony  
Aylward, Alison  
Azhar, Misagh  
Babiak, Maria  
Babkine, Siobhan  
Bachmann, Rachel  
Bailey, Cindy  
Bailo, Linda  
Barama, Sarah  
Barasso, Antonella  
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Barone, Valerie  
Batchoun, Melissa  
Batstone, Kelly  
Battista, Lina  
Battista, Carmela  
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Bedkowska, Anna  
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Beepat, Vanessa  
Beitel, Sam  
Beitel, Debbie  
Belo, Melinda  
Benjamin, Peter  
Bergeron, Sonia  
Bermack, Jordanna  
Bermingham, Stacey  
Bernstein, Ashly  
Bertoni, Mirella  
Best, Debbie  
Bibi, Josephine  
Blais, Debra  
Blake, Candace  
Blanchette, Annie  
Boghen, Jennifer  
Boivin, Frank  
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Boriak, Oxana  
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Brassard, Marie  
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Brook, Tara  
Brook, Shawna  
Brown, Dana  
Browne, Vicklyn  
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Brunetti, Assunta  
Bruni, Karine  
Bufo, Flora  
Burke, Pamela  
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Campisi (Roca), Serina  
Canzano, Ellie  
Caprera, Antoinette  
Carchedi, Carmy  
Cardinale, Sonia  
Carosello, Nadia  
Casale, Pina  
Cerroni, Gianni  
Chan, Jonathan  
Chan, Christopher  
Chazin, Neil  
Chen, Maisie  
Cherella, Daniella  
Cheron, Nathalie  
Chiazesse, Angela  
Chinappi, Arlette  
Chronis (Galasso), Maria  
Ciampaletti, Sabrina  
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## Volunteer Ambassadors of the Year

### Adrian & Natalie Bercovici

Adrian and Natalie Bercovici are this year's EMSB Volunteer Ambassadors of the year. They founded the Generations Foundation in 1999 and now serve 118 schools and learning centres with breakfasts, hot lunches and snacks daily to over 8,500 children. Food programs are also available for students in after-school cooking classes, in homework, tutoring and reading programs, as well as physical and sports programs.

Montreal families have one of the lowest per capita incomes in Canada. As a result, many have the stress of allocating enough money towards rent (which can be as much as 40% of family income), paying off debt and buying food. Crises situations such as sudden illness or loss of job can exacerbate the situation. One in six Montreal children go to be hungry, says the Generations Foundation, whose focus is on children who suffer from hunger and social problems. It ensures that children most in need receive their services because they believe that for children to learn, they must be properly nourished. The food programs assist children in becoming more independent and self-sufficient. Their centres offer snacks, shelter and activities to children.

Adrian and Natalie were working at the Old Brewery Mission when they received a donation of \$100,000 from Patricia Mackenzie and close to \$1 million from then Montreal mayor Pierre Bourque at the time to help build a women's shelter, which is known as the Pavillon Patricia Mackenzie. They had been working at the Old Brewery Mission for about nine years when they received their first phone call from St. Gabriel School asking for help because students hadn't been sleeping, couldn't concentrate and had no food. After meeting with the principal, they started a hot lunch program right out of their basement while still working at the Old Brewery. They decided it was time to give back. "If we were to ever make a difference, it had to start with the children," they stated. They loaded the trunk of their Marquis and delivered hot lunches to St. Gabriel. Soon after, other schools began contacting them for the same service, and before the end of their first year, they were serving ten schools. From hot meals, they added



snacks during the day. And from day snacks, they offered snacks during after-school programs and now they even offer milk services.

*"The Generations Foundation. The name speaks for itself. It has spanned many generations for St. Gabriel School in terms of their benevolent help in basically helping with the lunch program and feeding our students. They love them, and I think they are two people that need to be not only recognized but embraced. Thank you very much for all the wonderful work that you do for St Gabriel School and our students."*

Jim Daskalakis, Principal,  
St. Gabriel School

After two years of operating and with the help of many generous donations, they were able to purchase their very own office space to continue and grow their foundation. They had help from Buffet La Stanza, and now Villa Toscana assists in catering the hot lunches.

Each day, the "angels" of the foundation are serving breakfast, lunch and snacks to children in the communities. Volunteers, lunch supervisors, childcare workers and teachers are assisting in the fight against hunger. By working closely with volunteers in each school and with the full support of teachers and principals, they are able to provide this service.

Adrian and Natalie also provide needy children with an opportunity to spend time at a camp in the country every summer. They sponsor approximately 50 children for a stay at a Quebec Camping Accredited country camp. Children who spend their summertime on the hot city streets are given the opportunity develop their social skills, which helps them

mature and develop new skills.

The Generations Foundation also selects graduate students who receive the Generations Foundation Citizenship and Community Award. They receive a laptop computer which tributes their meaningful accomplishments and contributes to their continued education to enhance their skills in finding employment.

*"Adrian and Nathalie are two great people who give to the children and are always there for the children. I'm so happy that they are going to be honoured."*

Carol Clifton, Volunteer,  
St. Gabriel School

At Christmas, donations from companies and individuals transform the Generations Foundation location into Santa's workshop, which provides thousands of new gifts personally wrapped and named, as well as a food distribution centre where food baskets are prepared and delivered to families with the help of volunteers.

The Generations Foundation holds many events such as concerts, theatre evenings, golf tournaments and more! They do not receive and government grants. They are a registered charity, and they do not hire any professional fundraisers. The parents and children are not charged for any food, clothing or other goods received, and donated foods or goods are not sold. "It's not about the money, it's about making a difference," says Adrian, "But if we ever had to charge, we would quit."

This award was created in 2017, with football legend Anthony Calvillo becoming the first recipient.



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**SPECIAL SECTION**

**EMSB High Schools**



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Starting to explore secondary school options can begin as early as Grade 5, but it doesn't have to be daunting. The earlier you know about all of your options, the better equipped you'll be to make the right choice when admission dates come around.

We have prepared this guide for parents starting their approach into the world of secondary education. Here you will find a snapshot of what each of our mainstream high schools has to offer: What are the programs they excel in? What sets them apart? What are their extra-curricular activities that go such a long way in enriching the life of a high school student? The

important dates, including open houses, admissions applications and placement exams, are listed for each school so you can mark these into your calendar.

As you'll see, the English Montreal School Board (EMSB) has a wide array of secondary school options for students all across the island of Montreal (see the map on p. 11). Whether you are choosing a school close to home or across town, or favor a certain academic, arts or sports program, this special section of the Express will give you a snapshot of what we have to offer. Social media sources are also listed, and we encourage you to consult these, as well as the school's website, to get a more intimate sense of the school.

Each EMSB high school follows the Quebec Ministry of Education curriculum, but they have the freedom to enrich their offering through a variety of different special programs. For example, some schools offer a range of French instruction levels. Others offer a concentration in sports, arts or music. Some are designed for students who require a smaller school setting or special training for the workforce.

A variety of non-traditional study paths are also offered to students in our schools. These include specialized board-level initiatives such as physical literacy and numeracy literacy programs, and STEAM to provincial government programs, such as Sport-Études and the Work-Oriented Training Pathway programs. Let's not forget the internationally recognized ones such as the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program and the Advanced Placement Program. Indeed, families have a wealth of choice at the EMSB.

We hope you find this special section helpful.

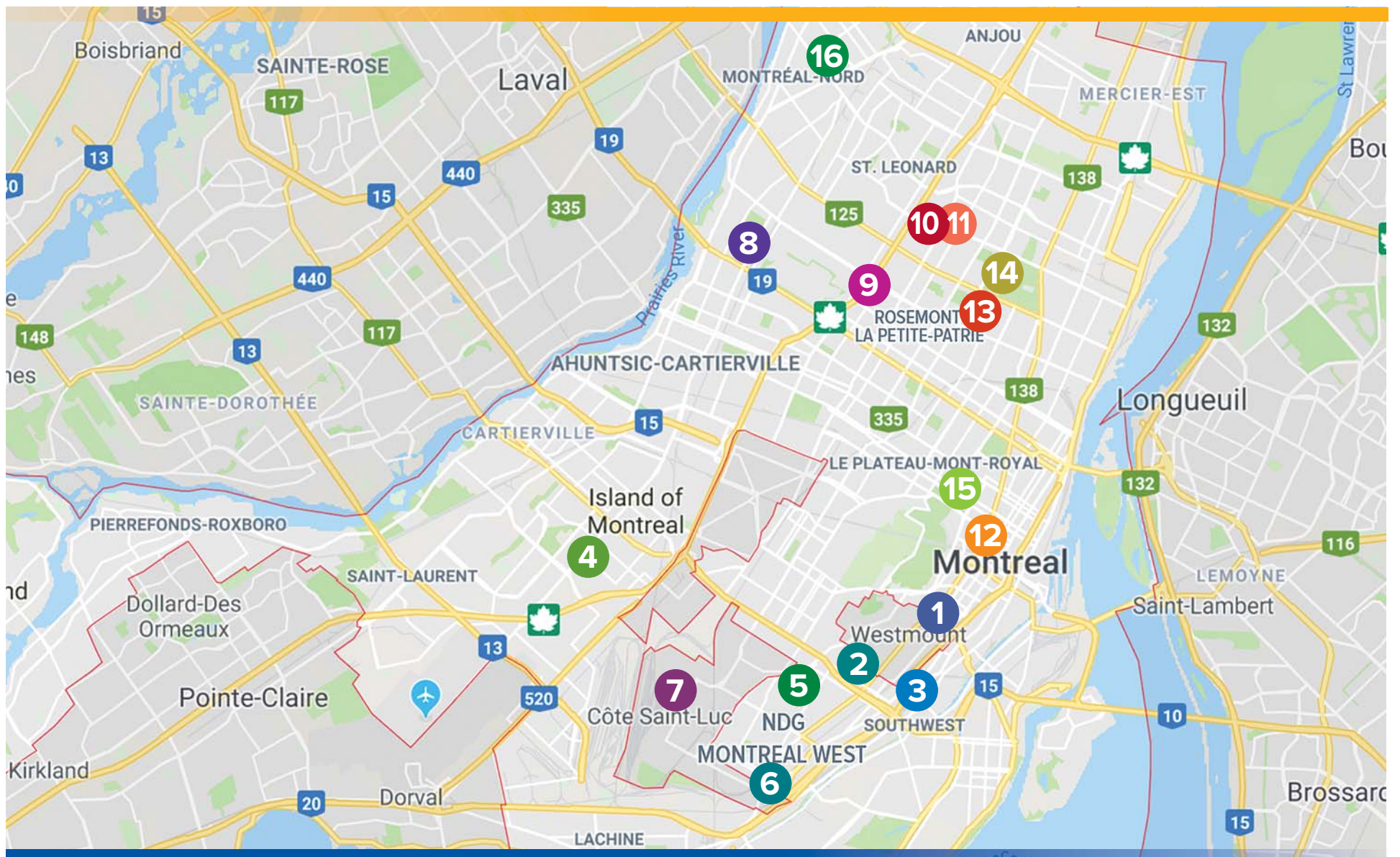
Glossary of the main high school programs offered by the EMSB

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## Westmount High School

Established in 1873, Westmount High School is the first public school in Quebec to offer courses from the College Board's Advanced Placement® Program. This internationally recognized curriculum allows students to obtain university-level credit while simultaneously attaining their Quebec high school diploma. We encourage each of our students to develop their qualities and capabilities to the highest standard of excellence. We are dedicated to the enrichment of our students by promoting critical thinking through transformational learning experiences in a safe, meaningful and engaging environment.



### Focus programs

- French Immersion and Core English Programs
- College Board Advanced Placement® courses including: English Literature & Composition, Psychology, Comparative Government and Politics, and pre-AP Art and Design
- Advanced Math and Science Stream, incl. AP Calculus and AP Environmental Science
- Elective courses including: Philosophy, consumer science, woodworking and E.C.H.O
- Dynamic Arts Program in all levels: Visual arts, music, drama and media arts
- Cycle 1 Robotics

### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Prefect Board
- Student Council
- Student Leadership
- Robotics
- Athletic teams incl.: Basketball, hockey, indoor and outdoor soccer, flag football, volleyball, curling, track & field
- Arts clubs incl.: Jazz band, dance club, drama productions, improv. club, variety shows, photography
- Yearbook Committee
- WHS Europe Trip

### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 90 and 63

Metro: Atwater and Vendôme

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

**Open House:**  
September 26, 2019  
(6:30 pm to 8:30 pm)

**Placement Exams**  
for new Grade 7 students:  
June 6, 2020 at 8:45 am

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## Marymount Academy International

Marymount Academy International, located in the NDG-Côte des Neiges district, is a school made up of youth from a variety of socio-economic, cultural and ethnic backgrounds. As an International Baccalaureate (Middle Years Program) school, it strives to make its students critical thinkers, global citizens and life-long learners. Students can choose from a vast array of clubs in the arts, sports teams and leadership groups to satisfy the requirements of the compulsory extra-curricular program. STEP Marymount is a unique program designed to provide enrichment and resource support to its student community.

### Focus programs

- Cycle One Allongé
- STEP Resource Centre
- Enriched Math, Science & Technology
- French programs: Français langue seconde (programme de base and Immersion - programme locale), Français langue seconde - Intégration (international)
- Visual Arts and Multimedia



### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Art exposition
- Chess club
- Cultural show
- School events coordination
- IB council
- Student council
- Cooking club
- Junior and senior public speaking
- Yearbook
- Bike club
- Science fair
- Senior concert band
- Steel pan band
- Intramural floor hockey
- Music concerts
- Many sports teams

### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 103, 162, 24 and 66

Metro: Villa Maria

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

**Open House:**  
September 25, 2019  
(3 to 5 pm and 6 to 8 pm)

**IB placement exam:**  
October 19, 2019 at 10 am

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## James Lyng High School

Located in St. Henri, James Lyng High School is the only Urban Arts school in Montreal. Its curriculum focuses on student self-expression and creativity in learning, drawing upon student interests in the forms of popular culture. The school attracts non-traditional learners by providing cross-curricular collaborations based in the arts, placing an emphasis on learning by doing. Student clubs include the street art club, hip-hop dance (with dancer Lea McFly), deejaying (offered by MTLB-boying), youth fusion music and singing program and Leave Out Violence (LOVE).



### Focus programs

- Urban Arts program
- Professional audio-visual recording studio for music and video production
- Student-run art gallery
- Art therapy
- Screen press for school uniform design
- Custom bike shop
- Professional development learning, including the creation of urban arts-based units in science, math, French, English and social studies
- Work-Oriented Training Pathway (a one-year work-study program)
- STEAM MakerSpace
- Music program has grown to include instrument instruction, vocal instruction and writing, and performance, adding to the existing program of rap writing, beat making and sound production.
- Leadership program, including camp
- Homework program

### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Writing Our Rhymes Down (WORD) hip-hop literacy
- Yearly school-wide theatre and other artistic productions in the performance spaces, including a multipurpose stage space in the cafeteria.
- Multi-cultural cooking clubs using a full kitchen
- Woodworking club using a full woodshop
- Robotics club
- Dance club
- Music club
- Self esteem club

### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 191, 36, 37.

Metro: Place St. Henri, Vendôme

#### IMPORTANT DATE:

**Open House:**  
November 7, 2019  
(3 pm to 10 pm)

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# EMSB High Schools

## WEST SECTOR

### LaurenHill Academy

The only English Montreal School Board school in Ville St. Laurent, LaurenHill Academy has both a junior campus (Grades 7 and 8) and a senior campus (Grades 9, 10 and 11). These campuses are in close proximity. LaurenHill is committed to providing an environment in which students are motivated to achieve academic excellence in preparation for the challenges and expectations of an evolving society.

#### Focus programs

- French programs: Français langue seconde (programme de base), Français enrichi and Français, langue d'enseignement
- Arts Program
- Dance Program
- Drama Program
- Music Program
- STEAM
- Cycle One Allongé (as recommended by elementary school)

#### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Junior Campus Student Council
- LHA Radio the Voice
- Campus Store
- Robotics Club



#### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 16, 72, 121 128 371  
Metro: Côte Vertu

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

**Open House:**  
September 26, 2019  
(6:45 pm to 9 pm)

**Placement Exam:**  
May 2, 2020 at 8:30 am

LaurenHill Academy  
also has a  
Senior Campus:  
2505 Côte-Vertu Blvd.  
Ville St. Laurent, QC H4R 1P3  
514 331 8781

Junior Campus:  
2355 Decelles St., Ville St. Laurent, QC H4R 1P3  
514 331 8019  
laurenhill.emsb.qc.ca  
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### Royal Vale School

Royal Vale School, located in NDG, is an Immersion Kindergarten to Grade 11 school, with a math and science focus. It stands apart with a program that includes French Immersion, Math/Science curriculum, critical thinking skill development, acceptance, democratic values, extra-curricular activities and promoting leadership roles. The school's philosophy stresses the cooperation and recognition for excellence, lateral enrichment, learning through discovery, manipulation and experimentation, and application of knowledge.



#### Focus programs

- Enriched Math, Science & Technology
- French Immersion
- Pre Advanced Placement and Accelerated Math Program
- Music concentration
- Sports concentration
- Dance concentration
- Drama concentration
- Optional grade level trips

#### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Annual math competition
- Student Leadership Program
- Student Life Group
- Science fairs
- Advanced Robotics
- Numerous sports teams including basketball, cross-country running, golf and more
- Bike Club
- Cooking Club
- Crafting for the Soul
- Dance
- Drama Club
- Fencing Club
- Games Club
- Gardening Club
- Glee Club
- Library Volunteers
- Peer Tutoring Program
- Photography
- Band
- Yearbook Committee

#### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 51, 66, 102  
Metro: Villa Maria

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

**Open House:**  
September 12, 2019  
(9 am to 11 am and 7 pm to 9 pm)

**Entrance exams** for Sec. 1 applicants:  
September 28, 2019 (9 am to 12 pm)

**Registration** opens for new applicants for Sec. 2 to 5: January 6, 2020.  
Documents available as of June 2019.

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514 481 2463  
royalvale.emsb.qc.ca  
@RoyalValeEMS @RoyalVale  
royalvaleschool

### Royal West Academy

Situated in Montreal West, Royal West Academy (RWA) is an alternative high school for students committed to academic achievement. It has limited enrolment with admissions granted in Grade 7 by application and qualifying examination results. It fosters bilingualism, computer literacy, an appreciation of the arts, an understanding of social issues and a sense of community responsibilities. RWA also has a strong French program, offering both immersion and French mother tongue courses. A mandatory extra-curricular activity program offers options in the arts, sports and leadership development.

#### Focus programs

- Français, langue d'enseignement
- Français, langue maternelle
- Accelerated Math Program including Pre-calculus and Calculus
- Music program at all levels
- Visual Arts and Drama programs
- Educational Technology and programming
- Large number of electives in Technology, Science, the Arts and Psychology
- Leadership and Leisure courses



#### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Honour Band
- Jazz Band
- Marching Band
- Environment Committee
- Social Justice
- Athletic teams
- Shakespeare group
- Musical
- Dance show
- Variety show
- Sound/Light Club
- Student Leadership Association
- Prefect Board
- Junior and Senior Robotics

#### Main public transportation options

Commuter train: Montreal West station  
Bus lines: 51, 90, 105, 162, 123.

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

**Open House:**  
September 24, 2019  
(5 pm to 8 pm)

**Deadline for applications 2020-2021:**  
October 3, 2019 by 11 pm

**Qualifying tests:** October 5, 2019 (A-L),  
(8:30 am to 12 pm) and October 6, 2019 (M-Z),  
(8:30 am to 12 pm).

189 Easton Ave., Montreal West, QC H4X 1L4  
514 489 8454  
royalwestacademy.com  
@RoyalWestAcademyHighSchool  
@RoyalWestAcad @royalwestacad



## Programs for Students with Learning Difficulties and/or Special Needs

### WEST SECTOR

## John Grant High School

John Grant High School is an alternative high school for students who have special needs. Students benefit from a modified academic program. The learning environment is tailored to the individual needs of every student, focusing on independence, work skills and literacy. Typical students coming to John Grant experience significant academic and/or developmental delays and come to John Grant through professional referrals. Located in Côte St-Luc, students participate in programs that link them to the community through partnerships with businesses and other local institutions.

### Focus programs

- Modified Academic Program (MAP)
- Challenges Program (DÉFIS)
- Competency-Based Approach to Social Participation (CASP) Program
- Autonomy Preparation Program (APP)
- Work-Oriented Training Pathway (WOTP)



### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Student-run cafeteria
- Music
- Woodshop
- Mock apartment
- Hair salon

### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 104, 138, 161, 162  
Metro: Plamondon (then bus 161)

### IMPORTANT DATE:

**Open House:** April 17, 2020 (by appointment during the school day).

### EAST SECTOR

## LINKS High School

LINKS High School is an alternative high school for students who have special needs. Its mission is to ensure the maximum growth and development of each student academically, morally, socially and culturally in order to achieve personal independence in society. Having specialized programs leading to certificates in DÉFIS and WOTP, LINKS helps students focus on functional academics, life skills and preparation for the job market.



### Focus programs

- Modified Academic Program (MAP)
- Challenges Program (DÉFIS)
- Competency-Based Approach to Social Participation (CASP) Program
- Autonomy Preparation Program (APP)
- Work-Oriented Training Pathway (WOTP)

### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Student-run cafeteria
- House system
- Music
- Woodshop
- Mock Apartment
- Hair Salon

### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 41, 45, 121, 359, 378

### IMPORTANT DATE:

**Open House:** April 23, 2020 (by appointment during the school day).

5785 Parkhaven Ave. Côte St-Luc, QC H4W 1X8  
514 484 4161

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# EMSB High Schools EAST SECTOR

## John F. Kennedy High School

In a respectful, inclusive and nurturing environment, our goal is to empower students to meet the challenges of tomorrow. John F. Kennedy offers enrichment in English, French, science and math. Media Arts and Technology is offered from Sec. 1 to Sec. 5. The Aim High Program is designed to achieve success for students transitioning from elementary school, and who may have experienced challenges. These students are generally between 12 and 15 years old and are placed together in small groups. The strength of the program is enhanced by teaching the curriculum to their current levels of achievement and understanding.

### Focus programs

- Aim High
- Work-Oriented Training Pathway (WOTP)
- French Enrichment
- Scientific Math and Advanced Science
- Computer Technology Integration
- Intensive Media Courses, Sec. 1 to 5
- Athletic Leadership
- Media Arts Path
- Science Path



### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Cheerleading
- Student Council
- Robotics Club
- Music Club
- Art Club
- Chess Club
- Cooking Club
- Public Speaking/ Story Telling Competitions
- Yearbook/ Film Club
- School Dances
- Variety Show/ Fashion Show
- Hockey Program
- Trips and Outings at all levels
- Rock School

### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 41, 67, 99, 357 and 476  
Metro: St. Michel

#### IMPORTANT DATE:

Open House: November 7, 2019 at 6:30 pm

3030 Villeray St. East, Montreal, QC H2A 1E7

514 374 1449

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## Laurier Macdonald High School

Laurier Macdonald is a Grade 9 to 11 high school, with many of its students coming from John Paul I. The school strives to promote personal and academic accomplishment developed through creative thought. Success is promoted through the teaching and exploration of multiple literacies, its visual arts and multimedia programs, its Community Learning Centre and its International Baccalaureate-Middle Years Program.

### Focus programs

- International Baccalaureate-Middle Years Program
- Visual Arts and Multimedia Program
- Enriched Math
- Français, langue d'enseignement

### Extra or co-curricular activities

- School sports teams
- Intramural sports
- Board Games Club
- Comic Book Club
- Art Club
- Photography and Year Book Club
- Student Leadership
- Community service activities
- Cultural school trips



### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 136, 141, 188

#### IMPORTANT DATE:

There are no open houses since the majority of students come from John Paul I.

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## John Paul I Junior High School

Situated in St. Léonard, John Paul I Junior High School is a Cycle One Secondary School consisting of grade 7 and 8 students. John Paul I believes that all members of its inclusive community have the right to work and learn in a safe and civil environment. Their vision is that through learning and experience, students are guided towards positive self-esteem, self-worth and ownership, and this tenet guides not only the students within the community, but its teachers, administrators, support staff and parents as well.

John Paul I Junior High School is now located in the Laurier Macdonald facility.



### Focus programs

- International Baccalaureate-Middle Years Program
- Français langue d'enseignement
- Enriched Programs
- Core Program
- Resource Program
- STEAM
- Advance Math/FLE
- Enriched Programs

### Extra or co-curricular activities

- School activities and trips
- Sports
- Clubs and committees
- Leadership
- Newspaper
- Robotics

### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 32, 136, 188, 192, 193, 355  
Express bus: 432

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

Open House: October 17, 2019 at 6:30 pm

Placement Exam: November 9, 2019 at 8 am

Door #20 at Laurier Macdonald High School

514 328 7171

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### FACE School

FACE is known for its Fine Arts Program with the goal to assist students in their development and help them thrive. The arts are an excellent learning ground for developing personal discipline, determination and a sense of achievement and self-confidence. Students are from both the English Montreal School Board and the Commission Scolaire de Montréal and follow classes in their mother tongues, however they are grouped together for instrumental music and vocal classes and for extracurricular and social activities.

#### Focus programs

- Fine Arts Program with the following disciplines: Visual arts, theatre/drama, vocal music, instrumental music and dance.
- French: French Second Language and Enriched (new in grade 7)
- Enriched Math and Science



#### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Jazz Band
- Symphony Orchestra
- Ensemble Con Brio
- Green Club
- Science Fair
- Sports (basketball, soccer, futsal etc.)
- Midi-Jazz
- Midi-Pop
- Boys' Choir
- Theatre
- Field trip to museums and theatres
- Dance Classes
- FACE young singers

#### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 24, 61, 125, 168 and 356  
 Metro: Peel and Place des Arts

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

**Curriculum night:** September 19, 2019 (5 pm to 7 pm)

**Open House:** October 1, 2019 (9 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 3 pm)

3449 University St., Montreal, QC H3A 2A8  
 514 350 8899  
 face-english.csdm.ca  
 @EcoleFACE  
 @EcoleFaceSchool #facehighschool

### Rosemount High School

Rosemount High School is located in the Rosemont-La Petite Patrie borough. In addition to the regular academic curriculum, it offers an enriched French program as well as a specialized music concentration program. The school also stands out for its junior school model within the school, teaching through a Universal Design for Learning approach, the student business program in Secondary 3 and 4, as well as its athletics programs. Students learn in an environment conducive for becoming responsible, productive and bilingual members of society.



#### Focus programs

- Specialized music program
- Student business program
- Enriched French program
- RHS Athletic program

#### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Video game programming club
- Chess club
- Open gyms
- Drumline
- Stage band
- Symphonic winds
- Open art studio

#### Main public transportation options

Bus lines: 18, 439, 139

#### IMPORTANT DATE:

**Open House:** October 3, 2019 (7 pm to 9 pm)

3737 Beaubien St. E., Montreal, QC H1X 1H2  
 514 376 4720  
 rosemount.emsb.qc.ca  
 @RHSmontreal @RosemountHigh  
 rosemounthighschool

### Vincent Massey Collegiate

Vincent Massey Collegiate, located in the Rosemount borough in proximity to the Botanical Gardens, has the primary mission of developing well-rounded students committed to academic achievement and a sense of community responsibility. An entrance examination is required for admission. An enriched and structured CEGEP preparatory program is the basis of its program, which is designed to respond to the needs of the above-average student and further develop each student's capacity to achieve at the highest level.

#### Focus programs

- Enriched academic programs
- Français, langue d'enseignement
- Français, langue maternelle
- Accelerated Math Program including Pre-calculus and Calculus I & II
- Enrichment in all subject areas
- Community service program



#### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Rams Committee
- 30 hours of Community Service
- Athletics Program
- Cultural Activities
- Clubs
- House Council
- Science, Robotics and Mathematics competitions
- Public speaking, Storytelling & Debating

#### Main public transportation options

Metro: Pie IX  
 Bus lines: RDP bus line 44 (Galeries D'Anjou) or 449 (Radisson Metro); Express bus departing Vincent Massey Collegiate to RDP at 3 pm; Laval bus line 197 Pie IX

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

**Open House:** September 12, 2019 (4 pm to 9 pm)

**Entrance exam** for Sec. 1 applicants (2020-2021): September 14, 2019 (8:30 am to 12 pm)

**Online registration (www.vmc.qc.ca):** from August 23, 2019 to September 12, 2019 for Sec. 1 applicants. As of January 6, 2020 for new applicants from Sec. 2 to 4.

**Information session for applicants:** August 29, 2019 (7 pm to 8 pm)

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 @vmcmontreal vmcmntl



# EMSB High Schools

## EAST SECTOR

### MIND High School

MIND high school, which stands for "Moving in New Directions," is an inclusive school that welcomes students of all sexual orientations, backgrounds and traditions. Students entering grades 9, 10 and 11 are eligible to apply for acceptance. It is a diverse and accepting school, which nurtures abilities and fosters development, self-confidence, courage and convictions. MIND was founded on a student-centered approach. Through class discussions and debates, students are encouraged to defend a position regarding various subjects in ethics and world history, among others. It is a school that focuses on critical thinking, analysis, research, and making a case through essay-writing, presentations, research papers and a science fair.



#### Focus programs

- Third-language option (German, Russian)
- Communications & Media
- Asian studies
- Philosophy
- Music, performing arts, visual arts programming
- Strong science program
- Diversity in teaching program, including pop culture and counter-cultures, various movements in history such as German expressionism, romanticism, surrealism, Sufi poetry.

#### Closest public transportation options

Bus line: 55  
Metro: Mont-Royal

**IMPORTANT DATE:**

**Open House:**  
March 20, 2020 (7 pm to 9 pm)

4563 St. Urbain St. (4<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Montreal, QC H2T 2V9  
514 842 0792  
mind.emsb.qc.ca

### Lester B. Pearson High School

Lester B. Pearson High School stresses the development of the whole person. This includes the moral, intellectual, physical, emotional, aesthetic, social and cultural development. We aim to produce a bilingual, socially-conscious graduate aware of civic duties and responsibilities. Through regular academic programs, special education or enriched programs, each student is educated, socialized and challenged to fulfill his/her potential. The school's ultimate goal is to prepare each student to make a significant contribution to society through his/her chosen path.



#### Focus programs

- Sport-études and Honours Sport-études
- Honours math and science
- AP courses (Psychology and Macro Economics)
- Third language option (Spanish/Italian)
- Français, langue maternelle
- Allongé Program (new)

#### Extra or co-curricular activities

- Student Council
- Gender-Sexuality Alliance
- Random Acts of Kindness Squad (RAK Squad)
- Leadership activities
- Annual math competition
- GMAA sports
- International trips
- Variety show
- School dances
- Chess
- Yearbook
- Urban gardening and beehive

#### Main public transportation options

Lester B. Pearson has an agreement with the STM to provide special busses for their students.

Bus lines: 32 Lacordaire; 33 Langelier; 48 Perras; 49 Maurice-Duplessis; 469 Express Henri-Bourassa

Train: St. Léonard – Montréal-Nord Station

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

**Open House:** October 3, 2019 (6:30 pm to 9 pm)

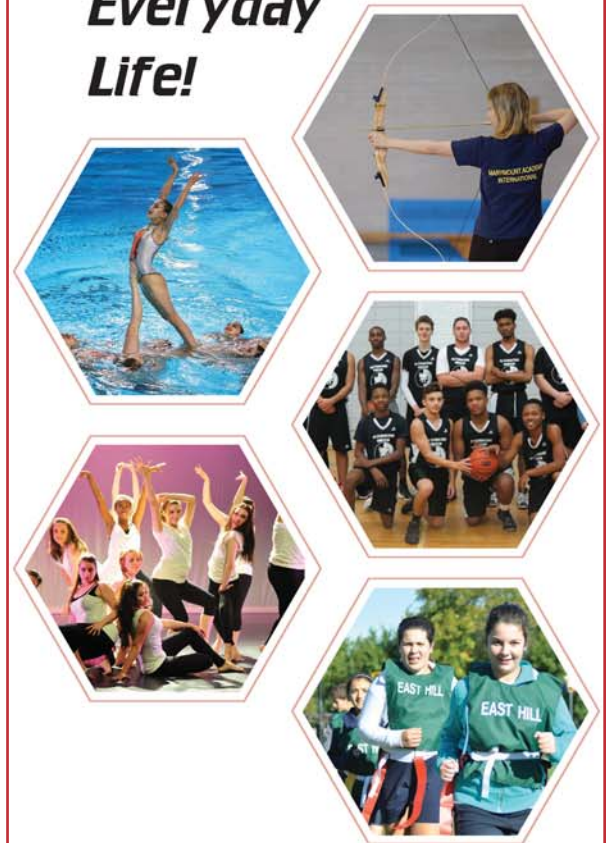
**Placement Exam (Sec I for 2020-2021):** October 19, 2019 at 8:15 am

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## Westmount Park Elementary School moves into its two new homes

by Kristin McNeill

The programs and the curriculum remains – even the phone number stays the same. This is the message the administration of Westmount Park Elementary School (WPS) wants parents to know about the move to two separate buildings in September. Repairs, renovations and cleaning took over the summer to ready the facilities at the former St. John Bosco Elementary School in Ville-Émard and Marymount Academy International in NDG.

Plans call for the current 105-year-old school building at 15 Park Place to be closed for at least the next two upcoming academic years (2019-20 and 2020-21) to complete a \$12-million project of renovations and repairs.

WPS expects its enrolment of 700 to be maintained, and students will be split into two groups across all the grades, from Kindergarten to Grade 6. Based on a logistical mix of busing routes, postal codes and special needs, less than half the students will go to Westmount Park School South Campus (Ville-Émard), with the remaining numbers directed to Westmount Park School North Campus (NDG), the east wing of the current

Marymount Academy International high school. The WPS students will use the eastern doors, while the current Marymount students will continue to use the western doors. For the past two years Marymount has been sharing its building with Centennial Academy, which moves out this summer.

Siblings will remain together at one campus.

The St. John Bosco facility has been largely unused since it closed in June 2012 because of low enrolment. Built in 1961, the building at 6255 Hamilton in Ville-Émard was designed and built as an elementary school and once belonged to the Montreal Catholic School Commission before folding in with the English Montreal School Board when the amalgamations took place in 1998.

The two campuses will have common pedagogical days, so this means that “the staff will be able to meet together, plan activities and their curriculum – as if they were one staff,” school officials explain. BASE Daycare, which operates the before- and after-school program, will also be able to coordinate those days for school-wide activities.

Because of the size of the student body, Westmount Park



Westmount Park Elementary School students bottom row: Muneeba Rashid and Elias Amman and top row: Jimin Choi and Boubacar Touré are set for their move to the new campuses.

School is already accustomed to splitting into groups for school-wide events, such as assemblies or concerts. Its house system, which has students divided into six houses, already provides a way to manage school-wide events across two campuses.

School cohesiveness can be maintained by creating many opportunities for exchanges between students at the two campuses, using social media such as Skype or other traditional ways such as

creating pen pals. Annual field trips will continue, for example the long-standing traditional Grade 6 winter camping trip is slated to take place – the only difference being students will be picked up from the two locations instead of one.

But the real key to maintaining school cohesiveness is “having the staff gel and keep working as one,” say school officials.

While a transition period is inevitable for such a relocation project, people are very happy to

move because they know something needs to be done about the health of the building.

A new resource program for students with autism will be started, and as well as an early stimulation class will be housed at the North-Marymount campus. This class will have its own in-class mini-gym.

The renovations for Westmount Park School have grown to include the installation of a ventilation system (the school currently does not have one), an elevator and a ramp to the front entrance; exclusive in-classroom bathrooms for every pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten class; a room designed with acoustic detailing for a music class to be installed next to the auditorium; creation of a space for a “safe room,” a quiet space or sensory room. The gymnasium will also be retrofitted with sound blocking controls, and the front office will be relocated to next to the Park Place entrance.

Other renovations include roof work, interior finishes, mechanical (plumbing, CVAC, sprinklers), electrical (wiring, lights, telecom, fire alarm system, etc.) and exterior (parking, school yard, sidewalks, green spaces and playpark, and drainage.

### SECTEUR DES JEUNES ~ YOUTH SECTOR

## CALENDRIER SCOLAIRE 2019 ~ 2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR



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- **Holidays**  
Congés
- Fixed professional days**  
Journées pédagogiques fixes
- ◆ **Holidays & March Break**  
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Last day of classes:  
**June 23, 2020**  
Dernière journée de cours :  
**Le 23 juin 2020**

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# SPORTS CAPSULE



## Max Domi a Role Model



Olivia Medeiros meets Max Domi.

Olivia Medeiros, a nine-year old Grade 4 student at General Vanier Elementary School in St. Léonard, got to meet one of her heroes: Montreal Canadiens star forward Max Domi. They have something in common: both are affected by type 1 diabetes (T1D). Domi was the national spokesperson for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF). He joined thousands of fellow participants at the Sun Life Walk to Cure Diabetes for JDRF at the Centre de la nature de Laval last June. At a press conference Domi took part in a

truly unprecedented and open conversation with 13 Canadian children affected by T1D. Olivia was one of them. She found out that she had T1D two and a half years ago and since that time her mom Cindy Merritt said she has been a real trooper. Meeting Domi was a big thrill. Having made it to the NHL he is a role model for kids with diabetes. The Habs forward is thrilled to share his story with the community. In fact it will be told in detail in his new book *No Days Off*, which will be released at the end of October. The EMSB will mark Diabetes Awareness Month in November with different lectures at schools.

## ALOUETTES NIGHT

The annual EMSB Night for the Montreal Alouettes took place June 6. This was a pre-season game vs. the Ottawa Red Blacks, and it ended in an exciting 20-20 tie. More than 500 people were on hand from the EMSB family.



Two students from Michelangelo International Elementary School and Willingdon Elementary School were recognized on the field for their excellence in both athletics and academics. From L to R: Giovanna Valcelli (mom of Victoria), Victoria (Michelangelo), Stephanie Fuoco (Teacher, Michelangelo), Naomi (Willingdon), Willingdon Vice-Principal Maya Doughan and Sharon (Willingdon School).

## MAKING IMPACT



PHOTO: NIUR ERDEM

For the 14<sup>th</sup> year in a row, the EMSB continued its partnership with the Montreal Impact soccer team through its “All The Way with the Impact” program. Members of the Impact visited two schools this year to remind young students of the importance of studying, persevering and building self-confidence in order to succeed. The traditional “EMS Night” took place on June 26 when the Impact hosted the Portland Timbers at Saputo Stadium. Some 500 tickets were sold to EMSB students and staff for the game. Before the game, the EMSB’s presence was recognized and two students were presented with the Tony Licursi Bursary, valued at \$500 each. Mr. Licursi was the team’s statistician and a devoted member of the James Lyng High School Alumni Association. He passed away a number of years ago. The award recognizes excellence in school and sports. This year’s winners were Aldo Masella, a Grade 4 student at Honoré-Mercier Elementary School in St. Leonard and Ayden Gray-MacDonald, a Grade 6 student at Westmount Park Elementary School. Ayden is pictured here with his Vice-Principal Maya Doughan and Honoré-Mercier Principal Sonia Marotta. Aldo was unable to attend the game.



Marymount Academy International Principal James Fequet and Vice Principal Laura Fiumidini brought two international students to attend their first ever professional football game – Beatriz de Souza Neves from Brazil and Emmanuel Monegro Quezada from the Dominican Republic. At the far right is Alouettes Director of Sales and Fan Services Brian Weightman.

## RANGERS TIME

In the meantime, the EMSB is excited to announce a new partnership with the Montreal East Rangers from the same league.

The EMSB family was disappointed to learn that the Junior AAA Montreal-North Arctic have folded operations. Co-owners Joe Perretta and wife Lina Di Giovanni insist the franchise will one day return to the ice.

## HABS EXPERIENCE

For the very first time, there was an EMSB Night at a Montreal Canadiens game. On April 2, the Habs hosted the Tampa Bay Lightning. Tickets were made available at a greatly reduced price. Some 250 seats were sold. Two students, nine-year-old **Luca Mercuri** from Honoré-Mercier in St. Léonard and **Massimiliano Lato**, 6, from John Caboto Academy in Ahuntsic were randomly chosen by the Habs to drive on the two Zambonis during the first intermission.

With their dads, they were brought down to ice level to watch the final moments. Massimiliano was unknowingly standing right next to Canadiens owner Geoff Molson, who posed for a photo with him. The two youngsters even got to meet mascot Youppi!



Luca Mercuri and Massimiliano Lato



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with Suzanne Desautels

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