



# Grapeview Gazette

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## Message from the Office



### Mark Your Calendar

- Jan. 6- Welcome back Happy New Year
- Jan 9 –French Immersion info night @ Jeanne Sauve P. S. 6-7
- Jan. 16 -Student I-Matter Assembly 2:25
- Jan.17- P.A.Day- no classes today
- Jan. 20— DSBN Academy Open House
- Jan. 23 –Bus Safety Presentations
- Jan. 30- Kindergarten Open House
- February 6– Term 1 Report Cards go home
- February 14 –PD Day
- February 17 –Family Day

Dear Grapeview Families,

*Happy New Year! We are looking forward to another great year here at Grapeview. January is a great time to reboot and set new goals! One of our schoolwide goals is to become more eco-friendly. We have kicked off our battery recycling program, and will be improving our regular recycling system and adding compost! Please stay tuned!*



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*by...*

Working Hard  
Being Kind  
Having Fun  
Gryphon Proud!

**Grapeview Television (GTV)** is a news report that is created, produced and edited by some of our very own students. The next installment will be on our website shortly.



### Parent Council

Meeting– January 28, 6 p.m. in Learning Commons

Looking to get involved in your child’s school? Consider coming to a parent council meeting. Joining the parent council provides you with the opportunity to meet other parents and discuss issues concerning your child and further develop your connection to the Grapeview community. This will be our third meeting but new faces are always welcome. We will also be providing babysitting by some of our older responsible students.



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The DSBN Academy is a Grade 6 to Grade 12 public school designed to support and empower students to be the first in their family to graduate from college or university. The faculty and student body are committed to excellence and the belief that, with hard work, they can achieve their dreams. Come learn how our unique program prepares students to succeed at college and university and how your child can benefit from the opportunities offered at DSBN Academy. All families are invited to attend a parent information session in your community. Please see below for dates, times and locations.

## Parent Information Session

### OPEN HOUSE

MONDAY, JANUARY 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

DSBN ACADEMY – ST CATHARINES

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

## Admission Requirements

DSBN Academy recruits and enrolls students from all 12 municipalities within the Niagara Region. Eligible applicants must meet the following requirements, both at the time of application as well as at enrollment:

- Student must be entering Grades 6, 7 or 8 in September.
- Student would be the first in their family to graduate from a college or university program. If a sibling of the student has attended a post-secondary institution but the parent(s)/guardian(s) have not, the student is still considered a First Generation Student.
- Student must be achieving current grade level expectations or just below.
- Student has demonstrated the potential for achieving "good" or "excellent" learning skills, particularly initiative, independent work and responsibility.
- Student must be willing to attend a school location that may be out of his/her community.
- Student understands that there is a mandatory after-school program which includes enrichment opportunities and academic supports.
- Families must understand that it is a single track pathway beginning in grade 9 (Academic Level Only).
- Families understand that there is a parent engagement requirement of 15 hours each year.
- Applicants must submit a **completed** application to their current school by February 9, 2019.

## A Message from the French Immersion Program at Jeanne Sauve...

The French Immersion program offered at Jeanne Sauve is **open to all students in Year 2 (Senior) Kindergarten**. If you want your child to develop a high proficiency and fluency in Canada's two official languages, French Immersion has a great deal to offer.

### French Immersion info night @ Jeanne Sauve P. S. 6-7

#### FEATURES OF THE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM:

- Development of French language skills in speaking, listening, reading and writing from Grades one to twelve;
- Designed to be a second-language program for children whose first language is **NOT** French;
- Current enrolment of over 2,000 elementary students;
- Certificate of French Immersion Studies awarded upon successful completion of the elementary and secondary immersion programs;
- Opportunity to challenge the Diplôme d'études de langue française (DELF) exam in Grade 11 or 12 ;
- Promotes understanding of different cultures;
- Provides additional opportunities for employment using French as the working language;
- Increased ability to communicate and interact with confidence in French.

**Registration will open January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

For more information about French Immersion in the District School Board of Niagara visit [www.dsbni.org/fi](http://www.dsbni.org/fi) or speak to your school principal.



### Niagara Parents

**Do you have questions about your child's health or growth and development?**

Now you can:

- Call
- Email
- Live Chat

With a Public Health Nurse at Niagara Parents.



Connect with a public health nurse at Niagara Parents

- 905-684-7555 or 1-888-505-6074 ext. 7555
- [parents@niagararegion.ca](mailto:parents@niagararegion.ca)
- Live Chat
- [niagararegion.ca/parents](http://niagararegion.ca/parents)
- Niagara Parents

Niagara Parents provides a variety of services to help you raise a happy and healthy family. Learn more about pregnancy and caring for babies, children, and teens at [niagararegion.ca/parents](http://niagararegion.ca/parents)



Nurses are happy to provide reliable advice about; pregnancy, newborn care, behavioural issues, child or parental mental health concerns, and community supports. A Public Health Nurse is available to answer your questions Monday – Friday 8:30am – 4:00pm. You are also able to register for many of our clinics and classes at [niagararegion.ca/parents](http://niagararegion.ca/parents). We're with you every step of the way!