



Pierrefonds Comprehensive High School Educational Project



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The PCHS Educational Project provides a planned, strategic approach towards the education of our students and encompasses the specific aims and objectives of our school. The Educational Project is developed by the school community in order to allow the vision and philosophy of its members to shape the educational experience provided to our students.

Mission

Pierrefonds Comprehensive High School is a bilingual community secondary school, dedicated to the academic education and overall development of adolescents.

PCHS provides diverse academic programs designed to challenge students to fulfil their individual potential. These programs are complemented by active support for social development and by extracurricular activities, providing the best possible educational experience.

PCHS encourages a sense of community and a respect and understanding of other individuals and cultures, these values being paramount to creating a safe learning environment.



Vision

PCHS strives to ensure our students graduate with the academic and life skills necessary to succeed and the desire to be lifelong learners.

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Pierrefonds Comprehensive High School has been a community high school since 1971. PCHS takes pride in the uniqueness and diversity of its multi-cultural environment. It serves students with different learning needs who come to us from a variety of backgrounds.

The staff at PCHS is committed to meeting the needs of all students. Three distinct programs of study are provided, as well as a wide variety of services and extra-curricular activities.

Our School...

- ☑ provides English, French Immersion and International Baccalaureate programs. The English program allows the students to graduate with a High School Diploma. The French Immersion program allows students the opportunity of learning different subjects in French, as well as graduating with a French Immersion High School Diploma. The International Baccalaureate program requires that students learn different subjects in French, complete a personal project and meet their community service hours. Students in the IB program graduate with an IB Middle Years Diploma in addition to a French Immersion High School Diploma.
- ☑ has created a middle school program, in a distinct area of the school, in order to better meet the needs of the early adolescent.
- ☑ boasts a strong Student Services team comprised of a Social Worker, School Nurse, Spiritual & Community Life Animator, Resource Teacher, School Psychologist, Planning Room Technician, Guidance Counsellor and Work Study Program Coordinator.
- ☑ is a member of Peaceful Schools International.

Our Values

Student Success

↻ *Striving to increase the student success rate in all areas.*

Respect for Others

↻ *Actively promoting respect among all partners in the education process.*

Shared Decision-Making

↻ *Involving all partners - staff, students and parents - in the decision-making process.*

Multicultural Character

↻ *Celebrating our internationally diverse student population.*

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Enhancements to Student Life

- ✍ Interscholastic & Intramural Sports
- ✍ Leadership Crew
- ✍ Green Team
- ✍ Junior & Senior Band
- ✍ Drama Society & Improv Team
- ✍ Trojan Times Student Newspaper
- ✍ Student Radio
- ✍ Stained Glass Club
- ✍ Variety Show
- ✍ A wealth of Clubs & Committees

Facilities

PCHS is housed in a facility with many advantages:

- 600 seat newly renovated auditorium/theatre;
- spacious, fully automated library whose catalogue is accessible from home through the LBPSB portal;
- open concept atrium & cafeteria with giant skylight;
- spiritual and mediation center; and,
- vocational training facilities.



The teaching areas include:

- 60 computer equipped classrooms, several with electronic white boards;
- shared electronic white board room;
- 11 outstanding science labs;
- 2 fully equipped and integrated computer labs;
- 2 music rooms, including 4 additional practice rooms;
- 3 well equipped art rooms; and,
- a fully equipped culinary training facility.

The Physical Education facilities are second to none, and feature:

- gym field house;
- gymnasium;
- gymnastic room;
- weight & cardio training rooms;
- 6 tennis courts;
- baseball diamond;
- football field;
- soccer field; and,
- outdoor track and field area.

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Aims and Objectives

With the efforts of the staff and students, and support of our parents and community, PCHS will strive to meet the following aims and objectives:

Academic

- Prepare students for future educational and/or occupational endeavours.
- Provide a strong foundation in core subject areas with an emphasis on literacy, this being an underlying requirement for success.
- Ensure students are able to communicate, think critically, problem solve, work within a team and effectively use technology.
- Provide, in **all** of our available programs, educational opportunities that challenge students to fulfil their potential.
- Maintain a high level of expectation for all.
- Provide the highest possible exposure to the French language and culture, as dictated by the program of study.
- Ensure that all students are supported in their efforts to develop perseverance, punctuality, study skills and consistency of efforts.

Social

- Promote active and healthy lifestyles.
- Encourage the overall positive development of the student.
- Instil in students a respect and understanding of other individuals and cultures.
- Provide a safe environment with an atmosphere conducive to learning. This entails the promotion of respect, pride, social responsibility and environmental concern.

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Community Interaction


- Cultivate the sense that PCHS is an integral part of the community at large.
- Instil in our students a sense of belonging and responsibility for the school community as well as the community at large.
- Encourage parent participation in all aspects of school life
- Promote constant and ongoing communication among members of the school community.



Facilities

- Provide clean, safe, functional and inspiring work and study environments.
- Ensure the technology infrastructure is up-to-date, maintained and integrated.

The achievement of these objectives by our school community, through the implementation of the Student Success Plan, will ensure that our students leave secondary school armed with the necessary skills to make sound choices, facilitating academic and personal success throughout their lives.



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