## Year Round Services at TDSB Secondary Assessment Centre (TSAC):

The Assessment Centre has multilingual staff that can assist newcomer students and their families. Newcomer families will also have a chance to meet at the Assessment Centre with a Settlement Worker, who can give them information on settlement topics such as finding housing, looking for employment, accessing health care in Ontario, and connecting with a variety of support agencies. All secondary students must make an appointment with the Assessment Centre by telephone.

## **SEPT Services During Summer:**

#### **Newcomer Orientation Week (NOW)**

The Newcomer Orientation Week program provides orientation to newly-arrived high school students. Over three and-a-half days in the last week of the summer, the students are oriented to their school by Peer Leaders-students who were newcomers in recent years.

# Welcome and Information for Newcomers (WIN)

The Welcome and Information for Newcomers program was developed to help newcomer teens entering middle school (grades 6-8). WIN uses some of the same programming elements as NOW but is one day instead of four. Whereas NOW is a full orientation to high school, WIN is a basic introduction intended to build a positive foundation for parents and students to interact with the school and settlement worker. Peer leaders are also central to WIN, helping demonstrate elements in the program and to build friendships with the newcomer students.



# **EICS** Centre for Immigrant and Community Services

# Settlement and Education Partnerships in Toronto (SEPT)















The Centre for Immigrant and Community Services (CICS) is funded by three levels of government and the United Way to provide a wide range of settlement programs and services in Toronto and York Region. Our Mission is to empower newcomers in settling and integrating as contributing members of Canadian society through diverse, professional and innovative services. Our staff speaks over 13 languages collectively and we serve newcomers of all age groups. The dedication, compassion and hard work of volunteers and staff places CICS at the forefront of serving newcomers. CICS is a partner in The Settlement and Education Partnerships in Toronto (SEPT) in partnership with the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) and the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB).

Since September 1999, settlement workers from CICS have been placed in elementary and secondary schools in North York to provide the following services:

- Proactively contact newcomer parents (and youth in secondary schools) to assist them with their settlement needs:
- Refer the families to more specialized community resources;
- Provide group information sessions for newcomer youth and parents;
- Provide orientation about the settlement needs of newcomers for school staff.

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#### In the current school year, we are regularly working in the following

AY Jackson SS Cummer Valley MS Forest Manor PS Kingslake PS McKee PS RJ Lang E&MS St. Timothy CS

Zion Heights MS

Brebeuf College Don Valley MS George S. Henry Academy Lillian PS Newtonbrook SS Sir Ernest MacMillan SPS

Churchill PS Earl Haig SS Georges Vanier SS Loretto Abbey CSS Pleasant PS St. Joseph Morrow Park CSS St. Paschal Baylon CS Willowdale MS

Crestview PS Finch PS Highland MS MacDonald CI Pleasant View MS Woodbine MS

In addition, we provide itinerant service to other schools.\*

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#### Services are provided in the following languages:

Arabic

Cantonese

Dari

Korean

Mandarin

Farsi Pashto

Hindi Punjabi

Russian

Tagalog Ukrainian

Urdu

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Itinerant schools*:			
Arbor Glen PS	Avondale schools	Beverly Glen JPS	Brian PS
Bridlewood JPS	Cameron PS	Cherokee PS	Chester Le JPS
Claude Watson School for the Arts	Cliffwood PS	Cresthaven PS	Dallington PS
Donsview MH&W Academy	Drewry SS	Ernest PS	Fairglen JPS
Fenside PS	Hillmount PS	JB Tyrrell SPS	Lescon PS
Lester B Pearson ES	Muirhead PS	North Bridlewood JPS	North East Year Round Alternative Ctr
Pineway PS	Rene Gordon H&W Academy	Roywood PS	Seneca Hill PS
Shaughnessy PS	Sir Samuel B Steele JPS	Three Valleys PS	Vradenburg JPS

Blessed Sacrament CS	Blessed Trinity CS	Cardinal Carter Academy for	Our Lady of Guadalupe
		the Arts	CS
St. Agnes CS	St. Antoine Daniel CS	St. Cyril CS	St. Edward CS
St. Gabriel CS	St. Gerald CS	St. Kateri Tekakwitha CS	St. Matthias CS

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