

## **Year Round Services at TDSB Secondary Assessment Centre (TSAC) and TCDSB Orientation Centre (OC):**

The Assessment/Orientation Centre has multilingual staff that can assist newcomer students and their families. Newcomer families will also have a chance to meet at the Assessment/Orientation 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/Orientation 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.



## **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 schools:

|                  |                         |                          |                 |
|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| AY Jackson SS    | George S. Henry Academy | Newtonbrook SS           | Steelesview PS  |
| Brebeuf College  | Georges Vanier SS       | Pleasant PS              | Willowdale MS   |
| Crestview PS     | Highland MS             | Pleasant View MS         | Woodbine MS     |
| Cummer Valley MS | Lillian PS              | RJ Lang E&MS             | Zion Heights MS |
| Don Valley MS    | Loretto Abbey CSS       | Sir Ernest MacMillan SPS |                 |
| Earl Haig SS     | MacDonald CI            | St. Joseph Morrow Park   |                 |
| Forest Manor PS  | McKee PS                | CSS                      |                 |

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

### Services are provided in the following languages:

- Arabic
- Hindi
- Punjabi
- Urdu
- Cantonese
- Korean
- Russian
- Dari
- Mandarin
- Tagalog
- Farsi
- Pashto
- Ukrainian

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\* Itinerant schools:

|                                      |                                   |                                       |                          |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Arbor Glen PS                        | Claude Watson School for the Arts | Fenside PS                            | Pineway PS               |
| Avondale schools                     | Cliffwood PS                      | Finch PS                              | Rene Gordon H&W Academy  |
| Beverly Glen JPS                     | Cresthaven PS                     | Hillmount PS                          | Roywood PS               |
| Brian PS                             | Dallington PS                     | JB Tyrrell SPS                        | Seneca Hill PS           |
| Bridlewood JPS                       | Donsview MH&W Academy             | Lescon PS                             | Shaughnessy PS           |
| Cameron PS                           | Drewry SS                         | Lester B Pearson ES                   | Sir Samuel B Steele JPS  |
| Cherokee PS                          | Ernest PS                         | Kingslake PS                          | Three Valleys PS         |
| Chester Le JPS                       | Fairglens JPS                     | Muirhead PS                           | Vradenburg JPS           |
| Churchill PS                         |                                   | North Bridlewood JPS                  |                          |
|                                      |                                   | North East Year Round Alternative Ctr |                          |
| Blessed Sacrament CS                 | Our Lady of Guadalupe CS          | St. Cyril CS                          | St. Kateri Tekakwitha CS |
| Blessed Trinity CS                   |                                   | St. Edward CS                         | St. Matthias CS          |
| Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts | St. Agnes CS                      | St. Gabriel CS                        | St. Paschal Baylon CS    |
|                                      | St. Antoine Daniel CS             | St. Gerald CS                         | St. Timothy CS           |

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