

Media Release

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Grand Erie Prepares for Education Week Focused on Wellness in Mind, Body and Spirit

Brantford Ont. – Every May, Grand Erie District School Board elementary and secondary school students celebrate Education Week through a wide range of events and activities.

The goal of Education Week, which takes place May 7-11, is to highlight student excellence in learning. As it falls at the same time as Mental Health Week, the themes are aligned to focus on, and promote, mental health as well as student excellence. The theme for Education Week 2018 is: *"Feeling Well... Mind, Body and Spirit"*

Grand Erie's annual Education Week Gala serves as a preview for the week-long celebration. Taking place on Thursday, May 3 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Sanderson Centre in Brantford, the Gala features artistic and musical performances from nearly a dozen schools across the Board.

"While we're focused on student excellence each and every day in Grand Erie, Education Week provides an opportunity for our schools to showcase what they're doing," said Brenda Blancher, Director of Education. "It also gives the community a chance to visit our schools and see all the amazing work of our students, staff and parents within the Board."

Education Week links directly to Grand Erie's Multi-Year Plan and its focus on Success for Every Student. It supports Achievement through the following statement: "We will set high expectations for our students and staff" and Well-Being through the following goal: "Staff, students and parents will promote health and well-being and will know how to access supports when needed."

2018 Grand Erie Education Week Activities and Events:

Thursday, May 3

• Annual Education Week Gala – Sanderson Centre – 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Friday, May 4:

• Grandparents Day – Hagersville Elementary School – All Afternoon

Monday, May 7:

- Music Monday Ryerson Heights Public School 11 a.m.
- Chalk Talk Lakewood Elementary School 11:50 a.m.
- Chalk Talk Grandview Central Public School 1:30 p.m.
- Let's Chalk It Up Paris Central Public School All Afternoon

Tuesday, May 8:

- Grandparents and Parents Day École Dufferin 9 a.m.
- Let's Chalk Graham Bell-Victoria Public School 9 a.m.
- Relax, It's Math! Princess Elizabeth Public School 4 p.m.
- Jump Rope for Heart Hagersville Elementary School All Afternoon

Wednesday, May 9:

- Valley Heights Secondary School Fishing Tournament Backus Mill Pond in Port Rowan All Day
- Chalk About It Workshop Pauline Johnson Collegiate and Vocational Institute All Day
- Teacher Swap Grandview Central Public School 9 a.m.
- Annual Leadership Day: Innovation Stations Ryerson Heights Public School 10:55 a.m.
- Spelling Bee Grandview Central Public School 11 a.m.
- Open House Langton Public School 5 p.m.
- Open House and Book Fair Courtland Public School 5:30 p.m.
- Science Fair J.L. Mitchener Public School 5:30 p.m.
- Open House Lakewood Elementary School 5:30 p.m.
- Wellness Fair West Lynn Public School 5:30 p.m.
- Langton Public School Play: *The Jungle Book* Langton Community Centre 7 p.m.

Thursday, May 10:

- Chalk It Up Seneca Central Public School 11 a.m.
- Arts Break Pauline Johnson Collegiate and Vocational School 12 p.m.
- Math Fair Graham Bell-Victoria Public School 1 p.m.
- Talent Show Paris Central Public School 1:45 p.m.
- Exploring Elgin Through Math Family Open House Elgin Avenue Public School, 5 p.m.
- The Amazing Cobra Race and Pasta Night King George School 5:30 p.m.
- Celebrate Seneca Open House Seneca Central Public School 5:30 p.m.
- Math Night Paris Central Public School 6 p.m.

Friday, May 11:

- Langton Public School's Relay for Life Langton Community Track 9 a.m.
- Grandparents Day Open House and Talent Show Seneca Central Public School, 9 a.m.
- Grandparents and Special Friends Tea Thompson Creek Elementary School, 9 a.m.

Saturday, May 12:

• Spring Fling Classic Car Show, Craft and Plant Sale – Hagersville Secondary School

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