



Seneca Central Public School

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Dates to Remember

October 8th - PD Day No School

October 14th -Thanksgiving

October 31st -Halloween

Dear Seneca Central Families:

We often hear the word “partnerships” when it comes to education. This word is used everywhere today. What does it really mean? It probably means different things to different people. To us at Seneca, it means that the best education is one where school and home are working together. I encourage teachers to keep in touch with parents. I encourage parents to keep in touch with teachers.

A good partnership is one where each partner feels comfortable to approach the other on any issue. Issues can arise. Children are dynamic beings. One can never quite tell what surprising event is about to occur at school! When issues arise, it is important that both parents and teachers can express their views respectfully to each other. Our Parents know their children better than anyone else.

‘Working Together for Success’

Sincerely,

Giancarlo Crotta

Going Green

The Five Year Plan for Grand Erie District Board places a focus on six different areas, one of which is the Environment. One of the Board’s goals towards caring for the environment is to reduce the amount of paper being consumed at all levels of operation. In order to support this goal, the school monthly newsletters and calendars will continue to be posted on the website as it was last year. Moving forward, we are asking that parents access the monthly newsletters and calendars on the website and or via email.

www.granderie.ca/schools/Seneca

If, however, families do not have access to the Internet and continue to need a hard copy of the newsletters and calendars, please complete the slip below and send it to your youngest child’s teacher. A hard copy will be sent home.

-----Please cut here and return slip below to teacher of youngest child.-----

Please send a hard copy of the school monthly newsletter and calendar to our family.

My youngest child is _____ and is in _____’s class.

Parents Name: _____

SUCCESS for Every Student

Help

Our snack program has started. This program will be offered to all students daily. Your help is needed in making this program a success. Please contact the school @ 905-772-5222 to help with this wonderful program.

Recorded Surveillance

Pursuant to the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the authorization for the collection of information is the Education Act. For the purpose of monitoring the behaviour of students, for safety reasons, to prevent acts of vandalism and to aid in the identification of persons breaking the law, video surveillance will be employed in selected schools and on selected school transportation vehicles. The users of this information, when appropriate and necessary are: in school buildings and on school transportation vehicles- the Principal of the School and the relevant student and parent/guardian; on school transportation vehicles- the driver and the Manager of STSBHN.

Nut Aware

Please no nuts or foods containing peanut oil or peanuts as we have children who have a severe nut allergy. Also due to allergies, please encourage your child not to share food with others. Please find information regarding anaphylaxis from the Health Unit.



Seneca Central has been participating in the **Terry Fox Run** for over 20 years. This year we participated in the national school run day on September 27, together with thousands of students across Canada. We raised \$392.30 for cancer research and experimented with a new format of raising funds online. Students had a great time trying to increase their number of laps run, in support of Terry Fox, a Canadian hero.

Results from Grand Erie's First Student Census Will Inform the Board's Next Steps for Planning and Supports for Students

The results are in from Grand Erie District School Board's first student census, a survey of students in Grades 4-12 conducted last spring. The data collected will be used to better understand student needs, remove barriers to inclusion, and effectively plan programming and supports for all students.

"The census findings provide a more accurate picture of our student populations and school communities, an understanding which is crucial to ensuring equity and addressing systemic barriers," said Wayne Baker, Superintendent of Education responsible for Grand Erie's Safe and Inclusive Schools team, which led this initiative. "To help students succeed, we need to understand who they are."

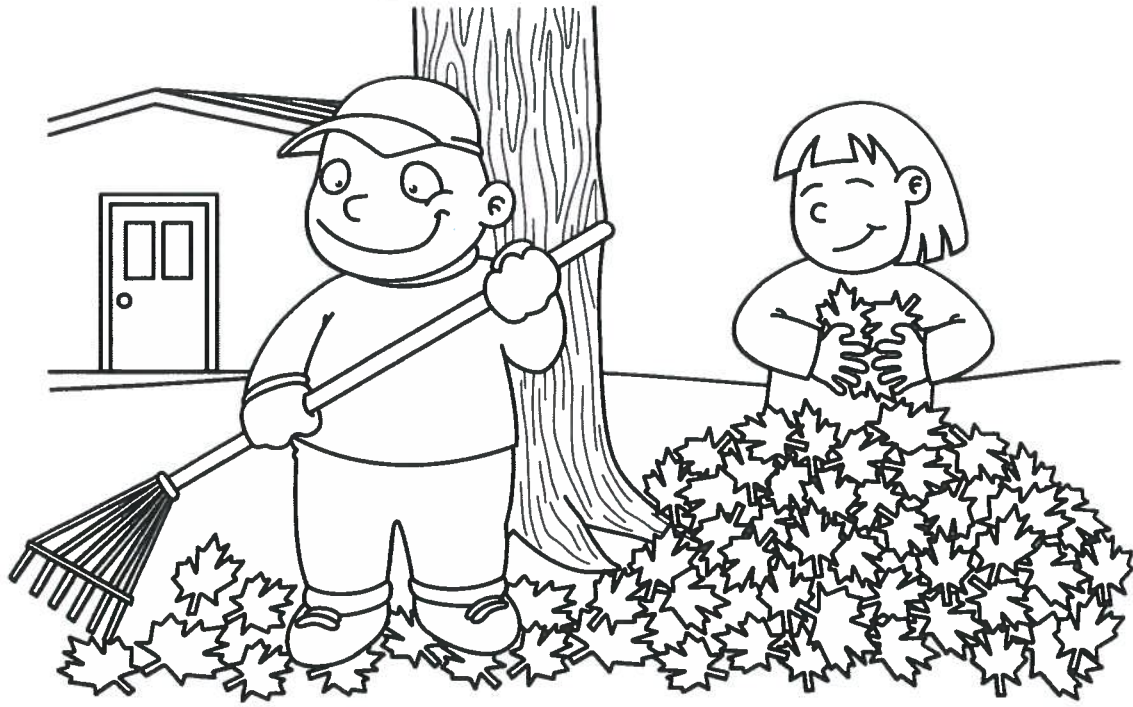
The confidential and voluntary student census was completed in class, and asked students about themselves and their experiences both inside and outside of school. Grand Erie's participation rate was 83 per cent. Responses are secured in a database accessed only by authorized research staff.

"It was extremely important that the census capture a multitude of student voices," said Baker. "What we now know is that we have diversity in all areas of our Board, and this information will help us close the gaps for marginalized students."

The census initiative follows Ontario's Education Equity Action Plan, the province's strategy for identifying and eliminating discriminatory practices, barriers, and biases from schools and classrooms, and is a critical step to ensuring equity and addressing the factors affecting it. The census was supported by Grand Erie's Board of Trustees, Senior Administration, and a host of community groups and organizations.

For the full report on the student census and its findings, visit: <https://bit.ly/2ksExUT>.

SUCCESS for Every Student



@Seneca in OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
TEAMWORK <i>Grand Erie...</i> Strong Values <i>Character Attributes</i>		1	2 Jr. Soccer Tournament 	3 Int. Soccer Tournament 	4	5
6	7	8 PD Day No School	9 Orienteering 	10	11	12
13	14 Thanksgiving 	15	16 Cross Country Meet 	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Picture Retake	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 		

