

Good Afternoon Loyola Families,

Thank you for another great week! As we look towards next week we wanted to share a few reminders and updates with you.

Daily Self-Screening:

Parents and guardians are reminded to monitor for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 in your children and to complete the [COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool for Schools](#) each morning before sending your children to school.

Marks Available in SIS:

Quadmester one current marks are now available in [SIS](#). Please review your mark, attendance and contact information in SIS to ensure everything is up to date. If you have any questions regarding your child’s mark or course progress, please reach out to their classroom teacher. Staff contacts are available on our [Loyola website](#).

Picture Retakes:

Our final photo retake day is Monday November 2 for students who have not yet had the opportunity to have their photo taken.

Students in **Cohort C** must upload their photos to the Google doc by 2:30 PM on Monday November 2. No photos will be accepted after this point. You must use your @loyola.hcdsb.org email to access the Google form.

<https://forms.gle/jr5gQPZEKJk2KG4W8>

Halloween Activities:

Our Loyola Student Council (LSC) is running various virtual activities during the week of October 26 to 30th. Activities include pumpkin carving, a costume contest and two civvies days.

Cohort A	October 27
Cohort B	October 29

Follow @loyolalsc and check out our [Loyola website](#) for more details and information about prizes.

Civvies Days:

For the civvies days students must ensure that their outfits are school appropriate and do not include face coverings other than the required masks.

Halloween is a great time to dress up and have fun with costumes. In our Catholic education community, we want to promote respect, inclusion and empathy for all individuals. As students

and staff select Halloween costumes, we encourage everyone to reflect critically, be mindful of cultural appropriation and create welcoming school environments for all.

The following are suggested questions to reflect on when choosing a costume to avoid being disrespectful or offensive:

1. Is my costume making fun of a group of people, their culture or religion?
2. Does my costume reinforce jokes and stereotypes about certain groups, cultures or religions?
3. Am I altering my skin colour, facial/body features to make it darker or like a particular ethnicity, race or cultural group?
4. Am I dressing up as a culture or borrowing from a religion that is not my own or is not part of my background?
5. Do I understand and respect the history or tradition of the culture that I am borrowing my costume from?

Apprenticeship & Skilled Trades Virtual Session:

Friday, October 23 – 2:30 to 3:30

<https://ca.bbcollab.com/guest/d23f6f11d8d34551b0401bb9dc6d49f4>

PLEASE LOG IN WITH YOUR FIRST NAME AND SCHOOL NAME (no registration is required just join the chat) e.g. Claudia (St. Ignatius of Loyola SS)

How to Apply to College Virtual Session:

Thursday, October 29 – 2:30 to 3:30

<https://ca.bbcollab.com/guest/86bfe22414384b6ba238d08fccaf6868>

PLEASE LOG IN WITH YOUR FIRST NAME AND SCHOOL NAME (no registration is required just join the chat) e.g. Claudia (St. Ignatius of Loyola SS)

Niagara College Presentation on diplomas & degree programs Tuesday Nov. 3rd @ 3:30

Come learn about what Niagara College has to offer! Learn about programs, financial aid, support services, pathways and the exciting events going on at NC! You can register at:

<https://www.tfaforms.com/4852607>

Join the Microsoft Team meeting through the link [Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

University Applications:

Reminder to all grade 12 students who are planning to apply to Ontario universities for the fall of 2021, please check your home address on SIS, as the Ontario University Application Centre will be mailing out letters with a PIN number. Students cannot begin their Ontario applications without this PIN. PIN's will be mailed out the first/second week of November. Students are encouraged to make a guidance appointment with their counsellor for more information.

Paying for College & University Presentation:

Thursday, November 19 – 6:00 to 7:00

<https://ca.bbcollab.com/quest/64e53710ec6f4e83b80336c8ab2ae1b9>

Booking an Appointment with a Guidance Counsellor:

Students can book an appointment with their guidance counsellor via the D2L Student Services classroom page. Once you have clicked on the link:

1. Click on 'appointments'
2. Select the appropriate counsellor's name (Mrs. Luis A to E, Mrs. Flynn (F – L), Mrs. Rego (K – Q), Ms. Carambia (R – Z))
3. Click on a date on the calendar to view available times
4. Complete the form at the bottom of the screen. Make sure you are using your school email address
5. Click on submit

Have a wonderful weekend.

Sincere thanks,

Loyola Administration