West Hill Collegiate Institute

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GRADE RANGE: 9 to 12

**Interesting Feature**

**Advanced Placement**

Students at West Hill CI have an opportunity to participate in enriched studies in the areas of Math, Science and English and French as part of our Advanced Placement courses. At the end of grade 9 students with high academic standing and a recommendation from their teacher can choose to take any of our AP courses. At the end of grade 12 students in the AP stream can elect to write an exam that may result in advanced placement in courses at the University level.

**Surgo in Lucem - I rise into the light**

West Hill CI is a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Centre of Innovation. We endeavour to create 21st century employees that have skills in the key growth STEM sectors through our instructional focus on Inquiry, Problem Solving, Critical thinking, Collaboration and Communication. West Hill C.I. has a proud tradition of excellence in academic, artistic, and athletic endeavours, with numerous awards, citations and championships garnered over the years. At West Hill C.I., students enjoy a wide variety of co-curricular pursuits related to their academic, artistic, cultural, and athletic interests. The many opportunities offered here at West Hill C.I. will help you become a well balanced individual.

**Center of Innovation**

All students in the STEM Centre of Innovation program will be working towards a CIST certificate. Students in this program will have additional opportunities for sector-specific/career relevant certifications, unique Reach Ahead and Enrichment activities. Students in the CIST program may be considered for WHCI’s Advanced Placement programming.

Students in the CIST program are required to take: 4 English, 4 Mathematics, and a minimum of 8 Science and Technology courses.
More Information about West Hill Collegiate Institute

Student Leadership Opportunities
West Hill students benefit from various student leadership opportunities including Student Activity Council, Prefects, and Student Athletic Council. Student Leadership opportunities are also available in a wide variety of co-curricular activities including student action groups, sports teams, and Multi-Cultural activities to name a few.

Drama/Media
The drama/media department boasts two studios to host classes and workshops. School plays, dramatic arts and music performances are a highlight throughout the school year. If you don't perform on stage, become one of the members of our lighting and sound crew.

Special Education
West Hill C.I. is home to 3 self-contained classes designed to meet the needs of secondary school age students with developmental disabilities. These classes have 10 students, a special education teacher, educational assistants and student needs assistant. These students are supported in physical education and on excursions by our leadership students.

Student Support/Guidance
Our student services team provides you with connections to post-secondary educational options, to work opportunities and to career counselling. We have the career information and resources you need to help plan your future. Gain valuable work experience in any area that interests you. We have two and four credit programs in partnership with the OYAP program.

Additional Features
- Gay Straight Alliance (GSA)
- Science & Environmental Program
- Design and Technology Club
- Resource Centre
- Robotics Team
- Skills Competitions
- Arts Club
- Chess Club

For a list of all programs that are also offered visit http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Findyour/Schools.aspx?schno=4184&schoollId=1251
We celebrate our cultural diversity with multicultural celebrations, activities, committees, multifaith organizations and African Heritage Month. We are "Warriors" when it comes to athletics. You can have fun in our many clubs, including newspaper and yearbook. Participate in our popular annual talent and multicultural shows. We also have a daily snack program and a homework club after school.

If you are interested in social justice, the Terry Fox run, Me-to-We, Run for the Cure and the CN Tower climb for United Way. Participate in the Empowered Student Partnership (ESP) program and work with our local Toronto Police Service to help keep our community safe.

Student leadership is a priority at West Hill. We help you transition smoothly into the grade 9 the week before school starts with our "Moving On Up" program. In addition, we organize a one day camp for all Grade 9 students in September. We offer you rewarding opportunities with our school and athletic councils, clubs, leadership retreats, peer relationships and prefects.

Participate in one of our action teams and raise awareness about social justice and human rights issues.

You will get out of school what you put into it. Get busy and get involved - an active school is a safe school!
Parent and Community Engagement

PARENT INVOLVEMENT:
- School Council meets four to six times throughout the year for updates on matters such as staffing and enrolment, and to support school activities.
- Information Evenings, Arts Night, Parents' Nights
- Communication with parents through our "On The Hill" newsletter.
- Automated telephone system to inform parents of student absences

COMMUNITY:
- (ESP) Empowered Student Partnership with Toronto Police Service
- Good Life Fitness partnership for physical education students
- Drama performances for elementary school audiences
- Graduating students are generously supported each year by scholarships, and bursaries from community members

Imagine a TDSB where all schools share a common core set of characteristics. They are community-driven and focused on teaching and learning. Students and parents have a wide variety of opportunities and there are enough students in every school to increase program choices.

Imagine there is a clear focus on achieving student success and every student is engaged, has a voice, access to a caring adult and the opportunity to develop their full potential.

Here at the TDSB our focus is on student achievement, parent and community engagement and financial stability.

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