

### **Duke of Connaught Junior and Senior Public School**

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GRADE RANGE: JK to 8

# Interesting Feature

#### We Believe

At Duke of Connaught we set high standards for our community of learners. We strive to develop critical Literacy and Numeracy skills in order to best prepare our students for the future. We have over 800 students from JK to Gr 8 in our English, Fr. Immersion, Extended French, and Gifted Programs. Our students reflect Toronto's rich diversity. bringing children of all backgrounds together to enhance the educational experience for all. Students benefit from facilities and activities such as our library. Maker Lab, gym and swimming pool, as well sports, clubs and music programs.

Duke of Connaught has a long tradition in East Toronto. In 1912, the school was built next to the historic Ashbridge House on land that had been the orchard of the Ashbridge Estate. Woodfield Senior School was added in the late 1950s. The Junior and Senior schools combined in 1989 to form Duke of Connaught Public School. Today, we are a vibrant JK to Grade Eight school that reflects the diversity and richness of contemporary Toronto.

### **Duke of Connaught:**

- is a JK to Grade 8 Elementary School located in historic East Toronto
- has a rich, diverse student population
- benefits from an active parent community
- collaborates with community services in the capacity of a Full Service School
- models and practices life long learning as the staff consistently strive to enhance their skills
- advocates for learning through the lens of social justice

#### More Information about Duke of Connaught Junior and Senior Public School

#### **Duke of Connaught at the Heart of our Community**

Our school houses Woodgreen Daycare, Applegrove Community Complex and links to S.H. Armstrong Recreation Centre.



#### **Our Commitment to Teaching and Learning**

Duke of Connaught's teachers and staff participate in a variety of professional development opportunities enhancing their skills in order to provide effective programs for all students.



#### **Our Programs**

Duke of Connaught offers three different programs to our community. We offer the English Program (Jr. Kindergarten to Grade 8), the Early French Immersion Program (from Sr. Kindergarten to Grade 8), as well as the Extended French Program (from Grades 4 to 8). Because we offer a middle school program, we welcome each year Grade 7 students from surrounding K-6 schools.



### **Supporting Physical, Emotional and Social Needs**

At the Duke of Connaught, we endeavour to meet the needs of the whole child. We work closely with parents and community agencies to better support the physical, emotional and social needs of our students. Our schools offers hearing and vision screening, nutrition programs. We also offer a vast array of clubs and sporting activities.



#### **Additional Features**

- Cantonese and Mandarin Classes
- Aquatics Program
- First Lego League Robotics Program
- Snack and Hot Lunch Program
- Breakfast Program

For a list of all programs that are also offered visit <a href="http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Findyour/Schools.aspx?schno=5220&schoolId=1302">http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Findyour/Schools.aspx?schno=5220&schoolId=1302</a>

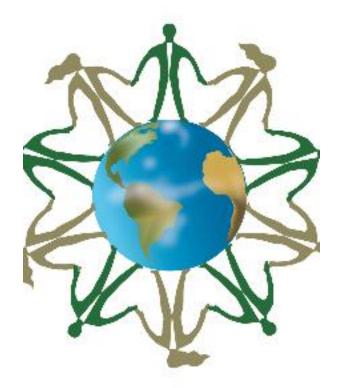
## **Student Life - Where You Belong**

Students at Duke have the opportunity to develop, not only academically, but also socially, emotionally and physically. The staff offers a wide variety of extra-curricular activities such as Pr., Jr. and Sr. Choirs, Band and Strings Program, First Lego League Robotics Club, Art Club, Newspaper and Yearbook Clubs and the French Café in order to develop and enhance the personal interests of the students. As well, the students can develop their leadership skills and social responsibilities through participation in Student Council, and Library Club. There are also many opportunities to belong to Sport Teams, such as Volleyball, Basketball, Badminton, Football, Ice Hockey, Cross-Country, Swimming, Soccer, Cricket, and Track and Field. Our students are provided with many possibilities to grow and flourish.



### **What Sets Us Apart**

Duke of Connaught represents the rich diversity of Toronto and its dedication to celebrating this diversity and thereby strengthening communities. We engage our whole community in the pursuit of addressing the needs of the whole child and developing responsible and active citizens.



# **Parent and Community Engagement**

We are extremely proud of our Parent and Community Engagement. The Duke Hub site works together with Applegrove Community Complex, S.H. Armstrong Recreation Centre, Woodgreen Child Care to provide services for our comminity from infants to seniors. Parent volunteers are active in our Nutrition Programs, classroom and school events. We have a strong School Council that meets monthly and contributes to school life in many ways.- Collaboration with community/social agencies - Close links with other off-site programs: - Exploring community partnerships with local businesses - Continuing Education is able to support parent workshops. Parent committees have included: Safe and Caring Schools, Social/Events, Academic Committee, First Aid and First Aid Training, Sports Committe, Equity Committee and Nutrition Committe.



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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