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Celebration of Learning @ PTC

Dear PTC families,

We are excited to be inviting you to our celebration of learning on Monday, October 27, 1-3:30pm and Tuesday, October 28, 4-8pm. This event is one way to engage students in meaningful assessment of their learning, therefore they should attend this event with their family members. We believe that the student is at the center of the assessment process and this event will become a routine component of their learning journey. This time with students, families and teachers helps students to view their performance objectively and make adjustments in order to learn more and improve the quality of their work. We feel this reflects the moto of PTC which is "creating innovative pathways" for all students. We believe that communication about learning is ongoing, clear, timely and meaningful and this celebration of learning event supports this belief. We have adopted a Deep Learning approach to teaching and learning which is inspired and led by Michael Fullen. Attached is a link to our assessment video that goes into detail on how we assess your child.

Please read the following memo carefully for details of the Celebration of Learning event:

Agenda

Monday, October 27

1:00-3:30pm Celebration of Learning Appointments (20 minutes each): Please arrive at your appointment time promptly. Your child will lead you around various stations and conversations will be had with their teachers during this immersive learning experience. Please note in each 20-minute appointment booking, there could be 3 other families at the same time. If you need a more private conversation, please contact the teacher concerned.

Location:

Various learning spaces detailed in Edsby in the Parent Teacher Interview Section - a map will be provided to help guide you

Tuesday, October 28

4:00-8:00pm Celebration of Learning Appointments (20 minutes each): Please arrive at your

appointment time promptly. Your child will lead you around various stations and conversations will be had with their teachers during this immersive learning experience. Please note in each 20-minute appointment booking, there could be 3 other families at the same time. If you need a more private

conversation, please contact the teacher concerned.

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To make an appointment to meet your child's teachers, please watch this <u>video</u> which will help you navigate booking an appointment in Edsby. Please note the system to book appointments is named "PTI - Parent Teacher Interviews". You will receive a message in your Edsby inbox on Monday, October 20th once the system is open for you to book an appointment. You can click on the link in the Edsby message which will take you directly to the interviewer scheduler. Please note that our celebration of learning is <u>in person</u>. We know the importance of coming together as a community, so we are <u>unable</u> to do both in person and remotely.

You will click on the link:

- Teacher appointments (please continue reading below)
- Admin and the student support team will be floating around so please don't hesitate to stop us and talk.

Grade 9 students: book an appointment with your child's Ambassador Think Time (ATT) teacher (Career Development: Life Work Exploration 10S) this is how they start their day at PTC and this teacher is an additional adult at PTC to help them navigate high school and beyond. This is an all-year course that is compulsory for all PTC students to take in grades 9& 10. To book time with your child's interdisciplinary teacher, please book with their English Language Arts 10F teacher. This will cover off the 3 courses: English Language Arts 10F, Science 10F and Social: Canada in a Contemporary World 10F. You can also make an appointment with their Trans Math10F /Math 10F teacher, Physical Education teacher and elective course teachers.

Grade 10 students book an appointment with your child's Ambassador Think Time (ATT) teacher (Career Development: Life Work Planning 20S) this is how they start their day at PTC and this teacher is an additional adult at PTC to help them navigate high school and beyond. This is an all-year course that is compulsory for all PTC students to take in grades 9 & 10. To book time with your child's interdisciplinary teacher, please book with their English Language Arts 20F teacher. This will cover off the 3 courses: English Language Arts 20F, Science 20F and Geography: Issues in the 21st Century 20F). You can also make an appointment with their Essential Math 20S or MIAP20S teacher, Physical Education teacher and elective course teachers.

<u>Grade 11 students:</u> book an appointment with your child's interdisciplinary teacher, please book with their English Language Arts Comp Focus 30S. This will cover 2 courses: English Language Arts Comp Focus 30S and History Canadian 30F. You can also make an appointment with their Essential Math, Applied or Pre-Calculus 30S teacher, Physical Education teacher and elective course teachers.

Grade 12 students: book an appointment with any of your child's teachers.

During this event you will learn about the model of teaching and learning at PTC and how your child's learning is central to this process. We will be explaining how we will use the

following descriptors to provide more detailed feedback to your child about their learning as well as providing a grade.



A grade is provided for each course based on the essential outcomes. The learning process is taught using an Interdisciplinary approach

Demonstrates With considerable With occasional With/Without Proficiently limited demonstrates support, support, occasional understanding and application of demonstrates demonstrates prompting, application of demonstrates knowledge and emergent developing knowledge and application of some application of most application of skills, makes skills knowledge and knowledge and knowledge and connections to skills skills skills and makes prior learning and connection to prior creatively extends learning and concepts accelerates

concepts

We will also be describing how we are integrating the 6 global competencies into your child's learning, so they graduate from PTC with these essential skills that both post-secondary institutions and industry partners have indicated that students require.



Personal Management Skills: Connection to Self & Citizenship Active Participation in Learning: Creativity & Critical Thinking Social Responsibility: Communication & Collaboration

We look forward to celebrating your child's important learning experience at PTC.

In gratitude,

Jacqui Kroeker, Linda Eden and David Gamble (your admin team)

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