

### **Year Round Services at TDSB Secondary Assessment Centre (TSAC):**

The Assessment Centre has multilingual staff that can assist newcomer students and their families. Newcomer families will also have a chance to meet at the Assessment Centre with a Settlement Worker, who can give them information on settlement topics such as finding housing, looking for employment, accessing health care in Ontario, and connecting with a variety of support agencies. All secondary students must make an appointment with the Assessment Centre by telephone.

### **SEPT Services During Summer:**

#### **Newcomer Orientation Week (NOW)**

The Newcomer Orientation Week program provides orientation to newly-arrived high school students. Over three and-a-half days in the last week of the summer, the students are oriented to their school by Peer Leaders-students who were newcomers in recent years.

#### **Welcome and Information for Newcomers (WIN)**

The Welcome and Information for Newcomers program was developed to help newcomer teens entering middle school (grades 6-8). WIN uses some of the same programming elements as NOW but is one day instead of four. Whereas NOW is a full orientation to high school, WIN is a basic introduction intended to build a positive foundation for parents and students to interact with the school and settlement worker. Peer leaders are also central to WIN, helping demonstrate elements in the program and to build friendships with the newcomer students.



### **Settlement and Education Partnerships in Toronto (SEPT)**



**The Centre for Immigrant and Community Services (CICS)** is funded by three levels of government and the United Way to provide a wide range of settlement programs and services in Toronto and York Region. Our Mission is to empower newcomers in settling and integrating as contributing members of Canadian society through diverse, professional and innovative services. Our staff speaks over 13 languages collectively and we serve newcomers of all age groups. The dedication, compassion and hard work of volunteers and staff places CICS at the forefront of serving newcomers. CICS is a partner in **The Settlement and Education Partnerships in Toronto (SEPT)** in partnership with the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) and the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB).

Since September 1999, settlement workers from CICS have been placed in elementary and secondary schools in North York to provide the following services:

- Proactively contact newcomer parents (and youth in secondary schools) to assist them with their settlement needs;
- Refer the families to more specialized community resources;
- Provide group information sessions for newcomer youth and parents;
- Provide orientation about the settlement needs of newcomers for school staff.

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In the current school year, we are regularly working in the following schools:

AY Jackson SS	George S. Henry Academy	McKee PS	St. Paschal Baylon CS
Brebeuf College	Georges Vanier SS	Newtonbrook SS	St. Timothy CS
Crestview PS	Highland MS	Pleasant PS	Steelesview PS
Cummer Valley MS	Kingslake PS	Pleasant View MS	Willowdale MS
Don Valley MS	Lillian PS	RJ Lang E&MS	Woodbine MS
Earl Haig SS	Loretto Abbey CSS	Sir Ernest MacMillan SPS	Zion Heights MS
Forest Manor PS	MacDonald CI	St. Joseph Morrow Park CSS	

In addition, we provide itinerant service to other schools.\*

Services are provided in the following languages:

- Arabic
- Hindi
- Punjabi
- Urdu
- Cantonese
- Korean
- Russian
- Dari
- Mandarin
- Tagalog
- Farsi
- Pashto
- Ukrainian

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\* Itinerant schools:

Arbor Glen PS	Cliffwood PS	Finch PS	Pineway PS
Avondale schools	Cresthaven PS	Hillmount PS	Rene Gordon H&W Academy
Beverly Glen JPS	Dallington PS	JB Tyrrell SPS	Roywood PS
Brian PS	Donsview MH&W Academy	Lescon PS	Seneca Hill PS
Bridlewood JPS	Drewry SS	Lester B Pearson ES	Shaughnessy PS
Cameron PS	Ernest PS	Muirhead PS	Sir Samuel B Steele JPS
Cherokee PS	Fairglen JPS	North Bridlewood JPS	Three Valleys PS
Chester Le JPS	Fenside PS	North East Year Round Alternative Ctr	Vradenburg JPS
Churchill PS			
Claude Watson School for the Arts			
Blessed Sacrament CS	Our Lady of Guadalupe CS	St. Cyril CS	St. Gerald CS
Blessed Trinity CS		St. Edward CS	St. Kateri Tekakwitha CS
Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts	St. Agnes CS	St. Gabriel CS	St. Matthias CS
	St. Antoine Daniel CS		

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