

Message from the Director

Dear Students:

Get ready for what just could be the most exciting and important years you spend in school. For the first time, you will have to make choices about what you will study and what career pathway you will choose. There is great power in making such decisions and charting your course. Whatever path you choose, we want to make sure you are ready to meet the challenges and embrace the opportunities that await you upon graduation.



The Peel District School Board is committed to meeting the needs of all learners. That not only means accounting for the differences between students, but offering innovative programs that extend beyond the traditional classroom like integrated arts, IBT, Sci Tech, French immersion, co-operative education, OYAP and Specialist High Skilled Majors.

To help you plan, visit our online career education centre—www.makingmyway.ca. You'll find:

- YouTube videos of Peel grads talking about the different options available to you—apprenticeship, independent living, college, university and the workplace
- information about jobs of the future and trends in the labour market
- tips for parents about how to help teens improve academic skills
- examples of dozens of careers, linked to descriptions of the post-secondary training required for the careers

This course calendar is intended to help you make informed decisions about your future goals. In it, you will find the information you need to plan your complete secondary school program. I suggest that you try where possible, to plan backwards from your post secondary destination to grade 12, 11 and so on.

I encourage you to listen to advice from your parents, guidance counsellors and teachers before making course selections. Remember to select courses that fit your individual goals, needs, interests and abilities.

I wish you ongoing success as you move towards the achievement of your goals.

Think long-term, chart your course and have fun.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Pontes". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Tony Pontes
Director of Education