

THOROLD SECONDARY SCHOOL

...your community high school

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Welcome Golden Eagles!

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year, we are thrilled to welcome you to Thorold Secondary School. Here is some important information to help you be ready for the first day of school, Tuesday, September 2rd!

Grade 9 LINK CREW ORIENTATION DAY: will take place on **Thursday August 28th**, **at TSS from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**. Grade 9s will meet their LINK CREW MENTORS (grade 11 or 12 Link Crew Mentors) & the other grade 9s in their crew! We want you all to attend to start to build great connections at your new school! This is a student ONLY event and starts promptly at 9 AM!

Hey incoming grade 9s! If you are interested in joining the 2025-2026 TSS Student Council, please check your DSBN student email this week for the link to apply. If you have any questions, please email Carlee.McTavish@dsbn.org and Samantha.Sasso@dsbn.org for more information.

Summer Registration Packages & September Updates

This is done ONLINE. All registration items are emailed home mid-August to the primary guardian email provided. Be sure to check your inbox for this important information during the last weeks of August. If you have not received them check your junk mail or you can access School Cash Online on our website at https://tss.dsbn.org

You must complete all the forms (listed below) using the School Cash Online app. Instructions on how to access School Cash Online are found in the email sent home and are also shared at the end of this letter.

We will need you to submit all registration forms to participate in school events, access transportation & technology, extracurricular activities, and for some of the specialized classrooms.

STEP 1: Complete the following forms on School Cash Online: Use this checklist to ensure that you have completed all the required forms ONLINE BEFORE SEPTEMBER 2nd!

Mandatory

- Community Walks & School Events
 Information Technology Digital Citizenship Agreement
 Information & Communication in Technologies
 Consent to Participate in Family Studies
 Consent for Participation in the Sciences
 Consent to Participate in Technology
 Permission to Participate in Phys Ed
 Permission to in Extra-Curricular Athletics Program
- ☐ Medical Information

Optional

- □ 2025-2026 Yearbook
- Student Activity Fees 2025/2026

STEP 2: Payment of Student Activity Fees using School Cash Online

Fees can be completed on-line using the SCHOOL CASH ONLINE feature, a secure and reliable link that is available on our website at https://tss.dsbn.org

Student Activity Fee	\$40
Optional items:	
Yearbook	\$55
Yearbooks can only be ordered in advance for 2024/25 school year, estimated delivery in fall of 2025	
Combination Lock	\$10
Every student will be assigned a locker which they must use throughout the year. You are welcome to	
purchase your own lock, however, all locks must be combination – not key	

The TSS office re-opens on Monday August 25th, please call then if you have any questions or cannot access School Cash Online.

Plan of Care

A Plan of Care specific to the student needs is required for all students with a prevalent medical condition. Anaphylaxis, asthma, diabetes, or epilepsy require a Plan of Care specific to their prevalent medical health condition. Other life-threatening medical conditions require a Plan of Care – General. A Plan of Care document outlines a student's specific health needs and steps necessary to support their well-being in the school environment. If your child has a prevalent medical condition, please complete the corresponding plan of care by accessing the link below. Once the form is completed or if you need any help with this process please email Liana Sweitzer at liana.sweitzer@dsbn.org

All forms and supporting documents can be found:

- Appendix A: Plan of Care Anaphylaxis
- Appendix B: Plan of Care Asthma
- Appendix C: Plan of Care Diabetes
- Appendix D: Plan of Care Epilepsy
- Appendix E: Plan of Care General

Timetables for the 2025/26 School Year

Timetables will be available in the DSBN student portal in ASPEN the week of August 25-29, 2025.

To access your timetable:

Login with your DSBN email or username and password. Remember to use the <u>AASP button</u>, not the Log On button.

- 1. Click the My Info button at the top left-hand corner underneath your name.
- 2. Click on the Current Schedule button along the left-hand side of the screen.
- 3. Your schedule appears, sorted by course name. Click on the word Term to sort by semester/term.

School Office Opens

The school main office will open **Monday August 25**th if you have any questions about registrations, schedules, or School Cash Online please call the office at 905-227-1188 on this date so we can help you and connect you with the appropriate support.

Transportation Inquires

If you have any transportation questions or concerns, please visit nsts.ca or call 905-357-6787.

Change in Contact Information

If your contact information (email, phone, address) changes over the summer please email hannah.moreau@dsbn.org immediately so we can be sure we have your current details. If we do not have your current address updated by Monday August 25th, students may not have a bus until the second week of school.

Bell Times and Start Date

The 2025/26 School year will start on **September 2nd, 2025.** School will begin at 8:10 am and end at 2:10 pm. It is important to arrive by 8:00 am to ensure that you are in class on time.

Daily Schedule					
Period 1	Period 2	Lunch	Period 3	Period 4	
8:10-9:30	9:35-10:50	10:50-11:35	11:35-12:50	12:55-2:10	

How to Stay Informed?

- Additional information regarding the 2025/26 school year will be available on the DSBN website www.dsbn.org
- Check your email for communications from the school, starting in mid August
- Follow our school on social media: @tssnation, IG@TSS NATION
- Summer School inquires are made directly to Continuing Education, ACE@DSBN.ORG

Guidance Appointments for 2025/26 school year

The Guidance department will be addressing timetable requests using a Google form found on the TSS website. The link will not be accessible until Monday, August 25th.

Appointment requests will be addressed according to the following priority:

- 1. Unresolved conflicts
- 2. Summer school results that impact this year's timetable
- 3. New registrations
- 4. Level changes

All other appointment requests, including those for course changes, will occur once these have been addressed. Such may not occur until the week of September 2nd- 5th.

Visit the TSS website https://tss.dsbn.org/ and click the Timetable Change Request button to book an appointment.

Construction Updates:



THOROLD VARSITY FOOTBALL

Any students interested in playing Varsity Football can join the Google Classroom by scanning the QR Code



Meet Baxter the Certified Service Dog!

Baxter joined our school community to help one of our students on February 21st, 2024.

Certified service dogs are trained by a recognized facility, and are able to assist with many of the routine activities, which pose challenges for some students. The student's right to have a certified service dog is protected under the Ontario Human Rights legislation and other laws, as listed in board guidelines.

It's extremely important to remember that a certified service dog is a working certified service dog and not a pet while at school. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Principal, Mrs. J. Folino at (905) 227-1188.

Construction Update

As of now, students will enter into school from the Carleton Street doors and the bus doors back of the school. The Ormond Street North entrance will be closed until further notice. More information will continue to be shared with families as we progress.

School Cash Online Instructions

School Cash Online

We are pleased to provide our parents with an opportunity to complete permission forms and pay for school services, products, or events online. Registration should take less than five minutes and can be done by visiting our school website and clicking on the School Cash Online button.

To Register:

- Visit www.dsbn.org/schoolcash and select "Register Now"
- Complete the three registration steps

NOTE: You must create your profile using your name and not your children's

Confirm Your Account:

- You will receive a confirmation email from School Cash Online
- Click on the link provided*
- Sign into your account using your email and password

Add Student:

- This will connect your children to your account
- Confirm the school board name DSBN
- Select our school
- Enter your child's name and birth date
- Select continue
- Confirm your child and select continue
- Your child has been added

View Items or Add Another Student:

- If you have more children, select "Add Another Student" and repeat the above steps
- If you wish to view a listing of items available for purchase, click "View Items for Students"
- *To ensure the highest level of security, School Cash Online does not support TLS 1.0. Therefore, if you are using Internet Explorer



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Confirm	I don't want to add a stud	lent	

version 9.0 or lower, please refer to the attached instructions on how to access the link within the confirmation email. Alternatively, you can copy the link and paste in Google Chrome.

If you experience any difficulty registering for this service, you can access support and a list of Frequently Asked Questions by visiting www.dsbn.org/schoolcash and clicking on "Support."

Please call the school on Monday August 25th for any additional help needed.