

## **GRADE 11 GUIDANCE INFORMATION—FALL 2020**

### **CEGEP OPEN HOUSES**

All grade 11 students considering attending CEGEP are **strongly encouraged** to attend at least **2 CEGEPs Open Houses**. Visit virtually on the following dates:

#### **JOHN ABBOTT COLLEGE (St-Anne-de-Bellevue)**

[www.johnabbott.qc.ca](http://www.johnabbott.qc.ca) 514-457-6610

Virtual open house: October 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>

#### **O’SULLIVAN COLLEGE (Downtown)**

[www.osullivan.edu](http://www.osullivan.edu) 514-866-4622

Virtual open house: Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 PM-7 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8246361522>

#### **DAWSON COLLEGE (Downtown)**

[www.dawsoncollege.qc.ca](http://www.dawsoncollege.qc.ca) 514-933-1234

TBD

#### **VANIER COLLEGE (Ville-St-Laurent)**

[www.vaniercollege.qc.ca](http://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca) 514-744-7500

Virtual open house: November 7<sup>th</sup> to November 13<sup>th</sup>

Register here : <https://www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/open-house/register/>

#### **MARIANOPOLIS COLLEGE (Westmount)**

[www.marianopolis.edu](http://www.marianopolis.edu) 514-931-8792

Virtual Open House: November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020

Program information evenings: November 3<sup>rd</sup> and November 4<sup>th</sup>

#### **GERALD GODIN (Sainte-Genevieve)**

[www.cgodin.qc.ca](http://www.cgodin.qc.ca) 514-626-2666

In person open house: Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1 PM to 4 PM

#### **CHAMPLAIN ST-LAMBERT (South Shore)**

[www.champlainonline.com](http://www.champlainonline.com) 450-672-6240

Virtual open house: November 1<sup>st</sup>

#### **LASALLE COLLEGE (Downtown)**

[www.lasallecollege.com](http://www.lasallecollege.com) 514-939-2006

Virtual open house: Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 12 PM to 8 PM

Register here: <https://www.lasallecollege.com/events/open-house>

**Please note that there are many other CEGEPs in Quebec and on the island of Montreal.**

### ***GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS***

The Ministry of Education awards a Secondary School Diploma to students who have earned 54 credits in Secondary IV and V, at least 20 of which must be at the Secondary V level. The following credits are compulsory:

- 6 Secondary V credits in English Language Arts
- 4 Secondary V credits in French Second Language
- 4 or 6 Secondary IV credits in Mathematics (CST or SN)
- 4 or 6 credits Secondary IV credits in Science (General, Applied)
- 4 Secondary IV credits in History and Citizenship
- 2 Secondary IV credits in an Art Option Course
- 2 Secondary V credits in Physical Education and Health **or** Ethics and Religious Culture

Note: Students earn credits for all courses passed at the Secondary IV and V levels. The course codes identify the type of credit earned (either Secondary IV or V) and the number of credits earned. The first number indicates the level and the last number indicates the number of credits attached to the course. (E.g. Math **404 CST** is a Secondary **4** level course with **4** credits awarded to a student upon successful completion of the course).

### ***ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR CEGEP***

A student will only be admitted to CEGEP if he or she has a Secondary School Diploma. Specific programs may have additional course requirements as well as cut-off marks. You must check these before you apply. You will only have the first two term marks to submit by the March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. You must meet the cut-offs to be admitted! **Applying to a program for which you do not meet the admission criteria will almost certainly lead to a notice of refusal.**

### ***CEGEP APPLICATION SYSTEM***

SRAM (Service Regional d'Admission de Montreal) is used by the following English CEGEPs: Vanier College, John Abbott College, Champlain Lennoxville, and Heritage College. It is also used by many French CEGEPs. Dawson College, Marianopolis College, and the other English-language colleges have independent application systems. The deadline to apply to CEGEP is **March 1<sup>st</sup>**. You **MUST** apply on time.

## **VOCATIONAL EDUCATION (aka TRADE SCHOOL)**

Vocational programs vary in their admission criteria and deadlines. Most programs require a minimum of grade 10 English, French, and Math. You can visit [www.srafp.com](http://www.srafp.com) for trade school information. The Lester B. Pearson school board's trade website is [www.lbpce.ca](http://www.lbpce.ca).

## **PYGMA.CA**

[www.pygma.ca](http://www.pygma.ca) allows you to explore the Quebec CEGEP system. It has information about all programs and colleges. Other sites of interest include: [www.jobfutures.ca](http://www.jobfutures.ca) , [www.headingforsuccess.com](http://www.headingforsuccess.com) , [www.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca](http://www.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca).

## **PSATs**

If you are considering going to the **USA for university**, it is advisable for you to take the PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test). This test will prepare you for the SAT, which is **required** when applying to a university in the USA. The test will take place on **October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020** at the cost of 30\$ from 8:15 AM to 12:00 PM. The PSAT will be administered at John Rennie in the cafeteria (with 2 meters distance between each student). Please visit Miss Rachelle's office or the guidance office ASAP to sign up and receive preparatory material. Please note that we have a **limited number of tests** and are offered on a FIRST COME FIRST SERVED basis. **Please note that all students who wish to write the PSAT must also be present on October 13<sup>th</sup> from 11:10 to 12:00 in the JRHS cafeteria for a mandatory pre-test session.**

## **TUTORING**

Our after-school peer tutoring program is on hold until further notice. Teacher-tutors remain available (using zoom or another virtual platform). For more information, contact the guidance office.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS**

UNIVERSITIES/COLLEGES: Most scholarships are awarded to the student by the individual institutions. The awards are almost always for academic merit and not financial need. Some institutions automatically screen all eligible students, but it is always wise to read the CEGEP/ college/university calendar or check with the institution's AWARDS OFFICE. High academic achievement is generally the major criteria.

COMPANY SCHOLARSHIPS: Many companies have scholarships for the sons/daughters of employees. Your parents should check with their employers to see if such a scholarship is available. They are generally awarded for academic excellence.

YCONIC: [www.yconic.com](http://www.yconic.com) is a site you can create a profile on which allows you to obtain scholarship and academic info.

### ***GUIDANCE INFORMATION EVENING FOR PARENTS***

Please let your parents know that they are invited to an information session about CEGEP on **November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020**. This session will be done virtually in the evening. Details will be sent to parents shortly via ERMS. Ms. Fuga and Miss Rachelle will be discussing the CEGEP and Vocational program application process.

### ***CONSULT YOUR GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR***

Last but not least, **come by and visit your guidance counsellors**. We are here to help you find the answers you are looking for in terms of your career and educational goals. You may book an appointment through this link: <https://forms.gle/nimaSgUYfCmsRr4z6> . We can also be reached by email at [mfuga@lbpearson.ca](mailto:mfuga@lbpearson.ca), and [rdoucet03@lbpearson.ca](mailto:rdoucet03@lbpearson.ca).