

2023-2024 Student Agenda





COMMON COMITMENTS

We promote student engagement within the school and community where diversity is supported

We promote a safe and welcoming school environment by allowing students to express themselves in a positive manner freely and without prejudice

We value and foster a sense of respect for self and others towards achieving a sense of positive self-worth

These can be accomplished by:

- Acknowledging positive actions in and out of the classroom that foster respect
- Encouraging student and staff participation in diverse co-curricular and volunteer activities
- Acknowledging and greeting students daily with a friendly manner
- Providing diverse examples and resources in curriculum
- Modelling positive inclusive language at all times
- Maintaining high expectations
- Providing opportunities that extend the learning beyond the classroom
- Supporting platforms for authentic student voice



THE DDSB

4 R'S OF ADDRESSING

BULLYING

WE WILL...

RECOGNIZE

BULLYING

WE WILL...

REFUSE. TO ACCEPT BULLYING

WE WILL...

REPORT

BULLYING TO AN ADULT

WE WILL...

RESTORE

PELATIONSHIPS !

WE ARE

STRONGER TOGETHER

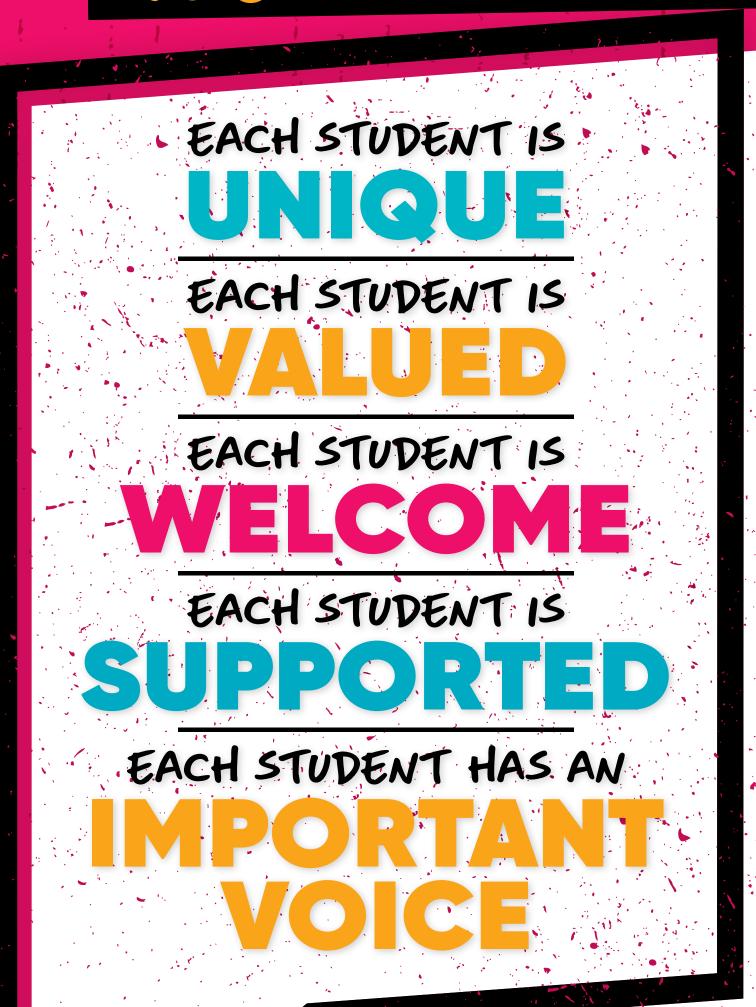






AT THE DDSB

WE BELIEVE...



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STRONGER TOGETHER







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STUDENT HANDBOOK 2023-2024

Ajax High School is in the jurisdiction of the Durham District School Board and operates under its policies and procedures and under the Ontario Education Act and Regulations.

The Durham District School Board recognizes Indigenous rights are distinct. In the exercise of those rights, Indigenous staff and students shall not be subjected to actions with the aim or effect of depriving these distinct rights.

Durham District School Board is committed to learning and working environments that centre human rights and equity and are safe, welcoming, respectful, equitable, accessible, inclusive and free from discrimination.

Principal's Message – Believing that every learner can be successful Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year. Ajax High School is a school committed to the Durham District School Board's vision of igniting learning. Staff work alongside students to ensure that the well-being and increased achievement of our students ensures prosperity in an ever-changing global landscape. Together, we will continue to work towards making our school an integral part of our community. We look forward to working with you this year.

"Without community there is no liberation." – Audre Lorde

AJAX HIGH SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

Creating a community school which inspires students to develop a passion for learning.

Ajax High School Bell Schedule

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	Secondary Day Schedule					
PERIOD	Without Homeroom					
	START TIME	END TIME				
1	9:30am 10:45am					
2	10:50am 12:05pm					
LUNCH	12:05pm 12:55pm					
3	12:55pm 2:10pm					
4	2:15pm 3:30pm					
	Each period is 75 minutes					
	Lunch is 50 minutes					



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AJAX HIGH SCHOOL LEADERSHIP:

Administration	Department Headships	Department Head
Principal: Alicia Russell	The Arts	Ms. Cresswell
Principal. Afficia Kussen	Business Studies/Library	Ms. Beaulieu
	Canadian and World Studies	Mr. McBride
Vice Principal: (A-L) Jon Lepage	English	Ms. Ashukian
Vice Principal: (M-Z) Nyla John	Guidance and Co-operative Education	Mr. Pakosta
	Health and Physical Education	Ms. Clark
Head Secretary: Gayle Anniss	Mathematics	Ms. Gilchrist
	Moderns and Int. Languages	Ms. Mavin
	Science	TBD
Lead Custodian(s):	Inclusive Student Services	Ms. Oster
Kevin Wheatley	Social Sciences and Humanities	Ms. Stowell-Smith
Ian Watt	Technological Education	Mr. Crooks

HELP LINES:

DURHAM RESOURCES

HELPLINES:

- Assaulted Women's Helpline, 1-866-863-0511, or dial #SAFE (#7233) on a Bell, Rogers, Fido, or Telus mobile phone
- Distress Centre Durham Helpline, 1-800-452-0688

- 1-800-452-0688
 Durham Region Police Service, 911
 Rape Crisis Centre, 905-668-9200
 Kids Help Phone 1-800-668-6868
 Children's Aid Society, 1-800-461-8140
 Durham Health Connection Line, Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.,1-888-777-9613

SHELTERS AND HOSTELS:

- Bethesda House, **905-623-6050**
- Herizon House, **1-866-437-4966** Anishnaabe Kwewag Gamig,
- 1-800-388-5171
- Muslim Welfare Home, 905-665-0424
- The Denise House, 905-728-7311
- Y's WISH Shelter, 905-576-2997



- DRIVEN, 1-877-723-3905
- Durham Region Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Care Centre, 905-576-8711
- Catholic Family Services of Durham, 1-877-282-8932
- WMRCC (Women's Multicultural Resource and Counselling Centre), 1-877-454-4035
- Luke's Place, 905-728-0978
- Housing Durham Region Housing Services, 905-666-6222
- Financial Durham Region Social Services, 1-877-678-6333
- Family Law Information Centre, 905-743-2630
- Victim/Witness Assistance Program, 905-743-2790

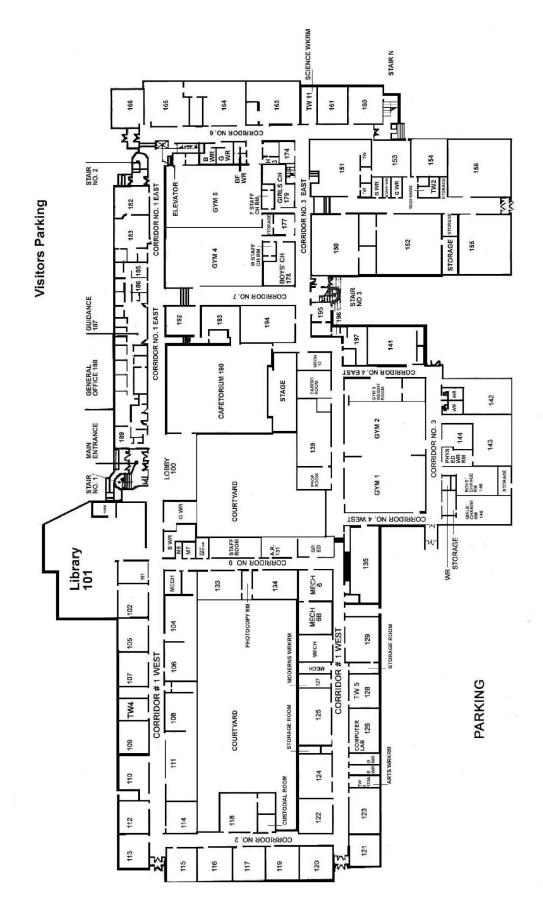
Domestic Violence Support	
YWCA Durham (Crisis)	905-576-2997
Durham Region Domestic	905-576-8711 Ex : 33286
Violence/Sexual Assault Care Centre	
Male Victims Helpline	905-576-8711
Distress Centre Durham	005 /30 3533 or
24-hr telephone counselling, crisis,	905-430-2522 or
suicide intervention and referral.	1-800-452-0688
Durham Children's Aid Society (ages	
0-16)	905-433-1551 or
If you are being abused or fear for your	1-800-461-8140
safety.	
Durham Region Sexual Assault Care	905-576-8711 (24-hr crisis
Centre (Lakeridge Health)	line) X. 33286
Kids' Help Phone	
Canada's only national, bilingual, 24-hr,	1-800-668-6868 or
toll-free confidential and web	hwww.kidshelpphone.ca
counselling, referral and information	
service for children and youth.	
	1-800-268-9688
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Youth Line	or text 647-694-4275
Peer support line 4:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.	
Sunday to Friday.	
Durham Rape Crisis Centre	905-668-9200 for
24-hr crisis line, counselling & support	immediate help or
groups for recent/past abuse.	905-444-9672 (office)
Carea	(1)
A community health centre for youth in	905-428-1212 (Ajax) or
Ajax/Pickering, offering free and confidential medical services.	1-877-227-3217
confidential inedical services.	905-436 8477 or
Crime Stoppers	1-800-222-8477
Centre for Addiction and Mental	416-535-8501 or
Health (CAMH)	1-800-463-2338
Drug and Alcohol Helpline	1-800-565-8603
Narcotics Anonymous	
Support group for those recovering from	1-855-562-2262
drug addiction	

Alcoholics Anonymous/Alateen

905-728-1020

Ajax High School Ground Floor

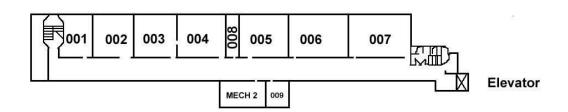
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Ajax High School

Bayly Street

Basement



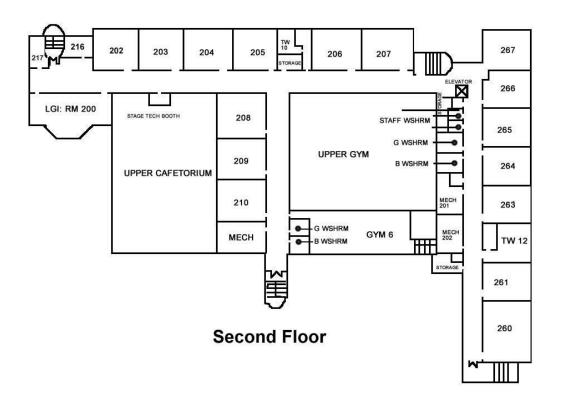


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ONTARIO SCHOOLS CODE OF CONDUCT

RATIONALE

The Durham District School Board is committed to providing a safe and secure school environment for its staff and students. The Safe Schools Act, 2000 required each Board and each school to develop a Code of Conduct that is consistent with the legislation and board policy. These provisions were amended by Bill 212, *An Act To Amend The Education Act*, in respect of behaviour, discipline and safety. In 2009, there were further revisions outlined in Bill 157 and Regulation 427/07. These revisions to the Education Act, came into effect as of February 1, 2010.

- A school is a place that promotes responsibility, respect, civility and academic excellence in a safe learning and teaching environment.
- All students, parents, teachers and staff have the right to be safe, and feel safe, in their school community. With this right comes the responsibility to contribute to a positive school climate and be law-abiding citizens and to be accountable for actions that put at risk the safety of others or oneself.
- The *Ontario Code of Conduct* sets clear provincial standards of behaviour. It specifies the consequences for student actions that do not comply with these standards.
- The provincial standards of behaviour apply not only to students, but also to all individuals involved
 in the publicly funded school system parents or guardians, volunteers, teachers and other staff
 members whether they are on school property, on school buses or at school-authorized events or
 activities.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The Durham District School Board supports the provincial guiding principles of the Ontario Code of Conduct:

- All participants involved in the publicly funded school system students, parents or guardians, volunteers, teachers and other staff members are included in this Code of Conduct whether they are on school property, on school buses or at school-authorized events or activities.
- All members of the school community are to be treated with respect and dignity, especially persons in positions of authority.
- Recognition and acceptance of, and sensitivity toward, equity and inclusiveness are expectations within the school community.
- Maintaining a safe environment is the responsibility of the entire school community including students, staff and parents.
- Responsible citizenship involves appropriate participation in the civic life of the school community.
 Active and engaged citizens are aware of their rights, but more importantly, they accept responsibility for protecting their rights and the rights of others.
- The Durham District School Board expects that Progressive Discipline will be used as a means to support the Code of Conduct.
- Progressive Discipline is an approach that makes use of a continuum of prevention programs, interventions, supports, and consequences, building upon strategies that incorporate skills for healthy relationships and promote positive behaviours.
- The goal of discipline is to support a safe, inclusive, and accepting learning and teaching environment in which every student can reach his or her full potential.
- All inappropriate student behaviour, including bullying, will be addressed.
- Responses to behaviours that are contrary to the School's Code of Conduct must be developmentally appropriate.
- Insults, disrespect, bullying and other harmful acts disrupt learning and teaching in a school community. Members of the school community have a responsibility to maintain an environment where conflict and difference can be addressed in a manner characterized by respect and civility.
- Members of the school community are expected to use non-violent means to resolve conflict.
 Physically aggressive behaviour is not a responsible way to interact with others.
- The possession, use or threatened use of any object to injure another person endangers the safety of

- oneself and others.
- Alcohol and illegal drugs are addictive and present a health hazard. Ontario schools will work
 cooperatively with police, drug and alcohol agencies to promote prevention strategies and, where
 necessary, respond to school members who are in possession of, or under the influence of, alcohol or
 illegal drugs. In addition, smoking or the distribution of tobacco on school property is prohibited by
 law.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Durham District School Board and Ajax High School accept the provincial direction regarding individual roles and responsibilities. In addition to school staff, students and parents, other members of the public, who interact with members of the school community while present in or on school property or premises, have a responsibility to respect others in the school and to conduct themselves accordingly.

Principals, under the direction of their school board, take a leadership role in the daily operation of a school. They provide this leadership by:

- demonstrating care for the school community and commitment to academic excellence in a safe, inclusive, and accepting teaching and learning environment;
- holding everyone, under their authority, accountable for his or her behaviour and actions;
- empowering students to be positive leaders in their school and community;
- communicating regularly and meaningfully with all members of their school community.

Teachers and School Staff, under the leadership of their principal, teachers and other school staff maintain order in the school and are expected to hold everyone to the highest standard of respectful and responsible behaviour. As role models, teachers and other staff uphold these high standards when they:

- help students work to their full potential and develop their sense of self-worth;
- empower students to be positive leaders in their classroom, school, and community;
- communicate regularly and meaningfully with parents;
- maintain consistent standards of behaviour for all students;
- demonstrate respect for all students, staff and parents, volunteers, and other members of the school community;
- prepare students for the full responsibilities of citizenship.

Students are to be treated with respect and dignity. In return, they must demonstrate respect for themselves, for others, and for the responsibilities of citizenship through acceptable behaviour. Respect and responsibility are demonstrated when a student:

- comes to school prepared, on time and ready to learn;
- shows respect for himself or herself, for others, and for those in authority;
- refrains from bringing anything to school that may compromise the safety of others;
- follows the established rules and takes responsibility for his or her own actions.

Parents play an important role in the education of their children and have a responsibility to support the efforts of school staff in maintaining a safe, inclusive, accepting, and respectful learning environment for all students. Parents fulfil this responsibility when they:

- show an active interest in their child's school work and progress;
- communicate regularly with the school;
- help their child be neat, appropriately dressed and prepared for school;
- ensure that their child attends school regularly and on time;
- promptly report to the school their child's absence or late arrival;
- become familiar with the provincial Code of Conduct, the board's code of conduct, and school rules;
- encourage and assist their child in following the rules of behaviour;
- assist school staff in dealing with disciplinary issues involving their child.

Community Partners and the Police

Through outreach, partnerships already in place may be enhanced and new partnerships with community—based service providers and members of the community (e.g Aboriginal Elders) may also be created. Community—based service providers are resources that boards can use to deliver prevention or intervention programs. Protocols are effective ways of establishing linkages between boards and community—based service providers and formalizing the relationship between them. These partnerships must respect all applicable collective agreements and adhere to the Code of Conduct. The police play an essential role in making our schools and community safer. The police investigate incidents in accordance with protocol developed with the local school Board. These protocols are based on a provincial model that was revised in 2011 by the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services and the Ministry of Education. Ajax High School works in partnership with the DRPS and P.C. Singh is the police liaison officer for our school. Call 905–579–1520 for assistance.

STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOUR

The Durham District School Board and Ajax High School support the provincial standards of behaviour which include respect, civility, responsible citizenship and physical safety.

Respect, Civility and Responsible Citizenship

All school members must:

- respect and comply with all applicable federal, provincial and municipal laws;
- demonstrate honesty and integrity;
- respect differences in people, their ideas and opinions;
- respect and treat others fairly, regardless of their race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, citizenship, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age or disability, especially when there is a disagreement;
- respect the rights of others;
- show proper care and regard for school property and the property of others;
- take appropriate measures to help those in need;
- seek assistance from a member of the school staff, if necessary, to resolve conflict peacefully;
- respect all members of the school community, especially persons in positions of authority;
- respect the need of others to work in an environment that is conducive to learning and teaching;
- not swear at a teacher or at another person in a position of authority;

Safety

All members of the school community must **not**:

- engage in any form of bullying, whether it is in person or through technology, like email or cell phone;
- commit sexual assault;
- traffic in weapons or illegal drugs;
- give alcohol to a minor;
- commit robbery;
- be in possession of any weapon, including firearms;
- use any object to threaten or intimidate another person;
- cause injury to any person with an object;
- be in possession of, or be under the influence of, or provide others with alcohol or illegal drugs;
- inflict or encourage others to inflict bodily harm on another person;
- engage in hate propaganda and other forms of behaviour motivated by hate or bias
- commit an act of vandalism that causes extensive damage to school property or to property located on school premises

PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE:

Bias-Aware Progressive Discipline utilizes a continuum of prevention strategies to foster and reinforce positive behaviour, and to help students make good choices. It includes the use of age-appropriate interventions, supports and consequences to address inappropriate student behaviour. The Bias-Aware

Progressive Discipline measures used in response to inappropriate behaviour are both corrective and supportive.

- counselling;
- parental communication;
- detention;
- behaviour agreements;
- restorative practices;
- support and responsibility agreements;
- peer mediation;
- conflict resolution programs;
- suspension;
- expulsion.

SUSPENSIONS

Circumstances Leading to Possible Suspension

A Principal shall consider whether to suspend a pupil if he or she believes that the pupil has engaged in any of the following activities while at school, at a school-related activity or in other circumstances where engaging in the activity will have an impact on the school climate:

- 1. uttering a threat to inflict serious bodily harm on another person*;
- possessing alcohol or illegal drugs*;
- 3. being under the influence of alcohol;
- 4. swearing at a teacher or at another person in a position of authority;
- 5. committing an act of vandalism that causes extensive damage to school property at the pupil's school or to property located on the premises of the pupil's school*;
- 6. bullying; or,
- 7. any other activity that is an activity for which a principal may suspend a pupil under a policy of the Board. Other suspendable infractions including but not limited to:
 - a) possessing or dispensing controlled or intoxicating substances that are not prescribed for medical purposes;
 - b) being under the influence of illegal, controlled or intoxicating substances that are not prescribed for medical purposes;
 - c) smoking on school property;
 - d) committing vandalism, destruction, damage to school property or to the property of others located on or in school premises;
 - e) stealing property;
 - f) engaging in intimidation, extortion*, harassment*, or verbal aggression;
 - g) misusing or misappropriating school property or services, including computers and other technology systems;
 - h) engaging in hate motivated incidents*;
 - i) engaging in gang related activity*;
 - j) possessing dangerous objects or substances, including for example laser pointers; gloves with studs on knuckles; or any other item deemed by the principal to be unsafe or a hazard to persons or property in the school;
 - k) committing physical assault on another person*;
 - l) engaging in or encouraging a fight;
 - m) engaging in conduct that constitutes opposition to authority;
 - n) demonstrating poor attendance that warrants disciplinary action;
 - o) engaging in behaviour that is disruptive to the learning environment of the class or school;
 - p) engaging in conduct that is detrimental to the moral tone of the school;
 - q) wearing clothing/apparel that is inappropriate, offensive or violates the school Dress Code;
 - r) engaging in unauthorized gambling or games of chance;
 - s) engaging in another activity that, under the Code of Conduct of the school, is one for which a suspension is warranted.
- * may require police involvement as outlined in the Police/School Board Protocol.

Circumstances Leading to an Investigation, Suspension and Possible Expulsion

A Principal shall suspend a pupil if he or she believes that the pupil has engaged in any of the following activities while at school, at a school-related activity or in other circumstances where engaging in the activity will have an impact on the school climate: These will require police involvement as outlined in the Police/School Board Protocol:

- possessing a weapon, including possessing a firearm*;
- 2. using a weapon to cause or to threaten bodily harm to another person*;
- 3. committing physical assault on another person that causes bodily harm requiring treatment by a medical practitioner*;
- 4. committing sexual assault*;
- 5. trafficking in weapons or in illegal drugs*;
- committing robbery*;
- 7. giving alcohol to a minor*;
- 8. any other activity that, under a policy of a board, is an activity for which a Principal must suspend a pupil and conduct an investigation to determine whether to recommend to the board that the pupil be expelled. Other suspendable infractions including but not limited to:
- a) hate motivated violence*;
- b) gang related violence*;
- c) trafficking in controlled or intoxicating substances not prescribed or dispensed for medical purposes*;
- d) uttering threats or threatening conduct intended to intimidate*;
- e) engaging in harassment*;
- f) ongoing conduct that is so refractory (persistent) that the student's presence in the school or classroom is considered by the principal to effect a danger or possibility of harm, physical or emotional, to others in the school or to the reputation of the school.

Guidelines from the Ministry of Education direct us to place Suspension/Expulsion documents in the O.S.R. Guidelines will be established as directed by the Ministry of Education. A pupil who is suspended under this section is suspended from his or her school and from engaging in all school-related activities. A Principal may suspend a pupil for up to 20 school days and, in considering how long the suspension should be, the Principal shall take into account the mitigating factors, as well as the other factors. When a Principal suspends a pupil, the pupil shall be assigned to a program for suspended pupils, as established by the Board in accordance with any policies or guidelines issued by the Minister.

In conclusion, when staff, students and families work together, a positive and productive learning environment is established at Ajax High School where goals are set and achieved. The Code of Conduct establishes the level of behaviour expected for all, so that we have the best possible school where success and achievement are reached through cooperation, courtesy and respect. Please review this Code of Conduct at the beginning of the school year and keep it in a safe place where it can be referenced if necessary.

AJAX HIGH SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT

INTRODUCTION

Ajax High School strives to create a safe, caring, and inclusive learning environment. Part of realizing and sustaining this environment rests in the effort that every member of the school community puts forward on a day-to-day basis. Below you will find the Ajax High School Code of Conduct, a living document reviewed every year, which informs the operations that govern the school community. It is the student's responsibility to read, understand and abide by this information.

DAILY OPERATIONS

ACCIDENT/INJURIES:

If you are injured during a class, tell your teacher at once. If you have an accident and are injured on school property, notify an administrator in the main office at once so you can be assisted, and an accident form can be completed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, AND NATIONAL ANTHEM:

The Land Acknowledgement and National Anthem are played after entry. During this time everyone quietly stands at attention. Students are expected to listen attentively while the morning announcements are read.

ASSESSMENT, EVALUATION AND REPORTING:

The Ministry of Education released the document entitled "Growing Success". This document sets policy and recommends practice with regards to assessing student work to inform teaching practice, evaluating student work and reporting on student progress. The "Growing Success" document can be downloaded from the Ministry website at http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/policyfunding/growSuccess.pdf. The purpose of the "Growing Success" document is to promote fair, transparent, and equitable assessment, evaluation, and reporting practices in Ontario schools with the aim of maintaining high standards, improving student learning, and benefiting students, parents/guardians/caregivers and teachers in elementary and secondary schools.

Student evaluation is a consolidation of marks from a variety of assessment tasks: evidence collected from classroom activities, conferences, peer dialogues, presentations, demonstrating process leading to a final product, projects, final assessments etc. Department evaluation procedures shall be distributed to each student in each course during the first week in each semester, and will include an explanation of all methods of evaluation, the weighting of marks assigned to each method, how marks are calculated, and the school's late and/or missed test and assignment policy. It is the student's responsibility to read and understand this information.

ASSESSMENT, EVALUATION AND MARK REPORTING

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Department evaluation procedures include an overview of evaluation and mark calculation methods, an explanation of all methods of evaluation, an overview of the weighting of marks assigned, how marks are calculated, and the school's late and/or missed test and assignment policy. Students should review these policies carefully as they are responsible for fulfilling the expectations of each of their courses, including homework which is assigned to reinforce learning.

Late and Missed Assignment Policy

In instances when students are unable to complete a task by the assigned due date, they must work in consultation with their teachers prior to the due date, to establish a new submission date. If students do not submit or complete assigned tasks by the alternative due date, whether absent or otherwise, they may receive a mark of zero.

FINAL COURSE EVALUATIONS & MARK REPORTING

Final summative tasks are compulsory and can constitute up to 30% of the final grade. They may include but are not limited to presentations, tests, exams.

Students absent from a final evaluation may receive a mark of zero unless prior permission from teachers and administration is obtained to complete the task at another time.

Progress/Interim Reports

First Semester	Mid-October
Second Semester	Mid- March
Midterm Reports	
First Semester	November
Second Semester	April
Final Reports	
First Semester	February
Second Semester	June

BIAS-AWARE PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE:

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BICYCLES AND E-BIKES:

If you ride a bicycle or an e-bike to school, you must lock it securely to a bicycle rack at the front or back of the school. Bicycles should not be brought into the building unless they are part of a physical education activity, and you are supervised by a teacher. The school will not be held responsible if your bicycle is lost or stolen.

CAFETERIA:

The cafeteria servery will be open to students during the 2023-2024 school year. Students are responsible for cleaning up their eating area prior to leaving the cafeteria.

CLUBS/TEAMS & ACTIVITY FEES:

Information regarding the participation in Clubs and Teams will be communicated during the 2023–24 school year. If a student wishes to join a club or try out for a team, listen to the announcements, watch for postings around the school, check your Google Classroom and speak with staff advisors. Many clubs begin in the fall, while the athletics program continues throughout the year. Some activities (teams or clubs) may require an activity fee to cover various operating and maintenance costs associated with the club and/or team in the school. It is the student's responsibility to be accountable for informing teachers about planned absences prior to their activity and complete any assigned tasks that are assigned from any missed class(es).

COURSE FEES:

Students must purchase their own personal school supplies such as binders, pens, paper, etc. Items in optional courses may need to be purchased such as physical education clothing and workbooks for selected courses. Certain courses may require a materials fee to cover the cost of enrichment projects or activities i.e. family studies, technological education, physical education, etc. Course fees are due within the first two weeks of the course. Fees can be paid through School Cash Online.

DROP OFFS/PICK UPS/DRIVING:

Ajax High School has a unique parking and drop off route around the back of our school. It is very important that our parking and driveway areas remain free flowing and accessible in the event of an emergency. Drop offs cannot occur at the *rear curved* area as this slows down the flow of traffic. The front of the school is another area with designated purposes as special bus routes use the front of the school and buses must not be blocked for the safety and security of all our students.

FIELD TRIPS:

Field trips are an extension of the classroom and all code of conduct apply. Inappropriate behaviour may result in your parent/guardian/caregiver having to pick you up. A permission form must be completed by your parent/guardian/caregiver before leaving. If you miss the trip, any money paid may not be refunded. It is the student's responsibility to be accountable for informing teachers about planned absences prior to their activity and complete any assigned tasks that are assigned from any missed class(es).

FOOD DURING LUNCH TIMES:

All waste must be properly disposed of in garbage or recycling containers. Food delivery services (ie. UberEats, Skip the Dishes, Door Dash) are not to be ordered or picked up during instructional time. Orders must be picked up outside of the school.

GOOD NEIGHBOUR POLICY:

At Ajax, we have a "Good Neighbour Policy" which reflects our commitment to our community. Students

are asked not to loiter or smoke/vape on adjacent properties next to the school. This includes all of the private properties that surround our school.

GUIDANCE:

Counselors are always willing to help you by providing individual counselling about courses, careers, and personal matters. If you need information about your student records, college or university applications, financial aid information, or help in finding a job, contact the guidance department before school, at lunch, after school, or email a counsellor using your DDSB student email to set up an appointment. Counsellors are available before school, lunch, and after school for walk-in appointments. Please ensure that you join the Guidance Google Classroom in order to not miss out on important information, deadlines, trips, etc.

HELP AVAILABLE:

Academic support is available through your teacher, our Inclusive Student Services department. Guidance counselors and members of the Inclusive Student Services team help students to develop academic and career plans and can refer students and families to a wide range of Board and community resources. The LGI is open every day at lunch with teachers who are available to assist students with their school work. Students may also choose to work independently in the library during lunch.

HOMEWORK:

The relationship between school and home is critical to the success and well being of our students. Therefore, homework is an extension of classroom activities and is expected to be completed outside of class time. Homework is intended to reinforce and help students review content and skills presented in class, practice skills, and introduce new topics. Families can support their student by providing a suitable environment for studying, reading and discussing homework on a regular basis, following up on assigned homework, and supporting the school if there is a concern.

HONOUR ROLL:

Students qualify for the Ajax High School honour roll by achieving an average of 80%. In grades 9, 10, and 11 all eight courses are included in the average. For students in years four and/or five, only the highest six grade 12 courses are used to determine Ontario Scholars (80%).

INCLUSIVE STUDENT SERVICES:

The Inclusive Student Services staff provide individualized services and programs for all students. Study skills, academic support, help with organization, quiet space for test and exam writing and/or use of computers are some of the ongoing services provided in room 106.

LIBRARY RESOURCE CENTRE:

The Library will be open with limited capacity to students before school, at lunch and after school for quiet study, homework, class assignments, printing or casual reading. Coats, backpacks and food are not permitted in the library. When accessing the library during class time, students must bring a permission form signed by their teacher.

The library collection is dynamic and student input is greatly appreciated. Students may borrow up to 3 resources at a time for a period of 2 weeks. Fines of .20/day, up to a maximum of \$5.00, will be levied on materials that are returned after their due date.

LOCKERS:

Lockers will be available for student use during the 2023-2024 school year.

You will be assigned a locker by your homeroom teacher. All students have their own locker, and these should not be shared by multiple students. Students are to provide their own combination lock. You should not let anyone other than the office know your combination. Locker combinations must be recorded in the office, through your homeroom teacher. Lockers remain the property of the school, and must not be damaged or defaced. Students occupying unassigned lockers will be removed from that locker. The Durham District School Board reserves the right of access to lockers at any time. If your locker is broken into, report the incident to the main office as soon as possible. The school is not responsible for stolen articles. All locker contents must be removed from lockers by the last day of school. All locker contents will be removed over the summer months for cleaning.

LOST AND FOUND:

If you have lost an item, please check the lost and found, which is located in the main foyer, before proceeding to the Main Office.

PHOTO/VIDEO RECORDING:

On-line activity by staff, students and parents/guardians/caregivers that is directly or indirectly related to the school should comply with the School Code of Conduct, in particular that a school is a place that promotes responsibility, respect, civility and safety in the teaching and learning environment. The taking of photos, filming or recording, or the broadcasting of live audio and/or video, while at school or at a school related activity, is prohibited unless approved by the DDSB (or school), and/or where proper consents have been obtained, as may be appropriate.

RELIGIOUS ACCOMMODATIONS:

The DDSB <u>"Accommodating Creed in Schools"</u> Inclusive Design Approach guides the development of inclusive practices to create a welcoming and inviting learning environment for all students.

If you anticipate that you or your family might require religious accommodation at any point during the school year, we ask that you inform the administration as early as possible. Areas that you might consider include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Observation of major religious holy days and celebrations
- Accommodation in, or exemption from, specific areas of the curriculum or other school activities
- Religious attire
- Modesty requirements in physical education
- School opening and closing exercises
- Prayer
- Dietary requirements

You are welcome to speak to your school administration about religious accommodation needs as they arise.

ROLLER BLADES, SKATEBOARDS, SCOOTERS, HOVERBOARDS, ETC:

If you use these to travel to school, you must carry them into the building and store them in your own locker. Their use inside and around the school property creates a safety hazard; if they are used anywhere on school property they may be confiscated.

SAFE SCHOOL PROCEDURES:

FIRE ALARM:

When the fire alarm sounds, follow the fire exit instructions posted in your classroom. Walk quickly from the building with your teacher - do not run! Move to the front sidewalk or to the back of the school, and remain on the back field, away from the pavement until you are instructed by your teacher to re-enter the building.

HOLD AND SECURE PROCEDURE:

If you hear the following announcement *Attention all staff and students; the school is in a hold and secure* you should follow the direction of your teacher until the hold and secure is over. Traffic into and out of the school will be controlled as a part of this procedure, and classes will continue to operate.

LOCKDOWN PROCEDURE:

If you hear the following announcement *Attention all staff and students; the school is in a lockdown situation. All teachers lock your doors. All students should report immediately to the nearest classroom*. You should go to the closest classroom, identify yourself to the teacher, and stay there until a second announcement says the lock down is over. If you are in a classroom, follow the teacher's instructions.

SEVERE/EXTREME WEATHER:

If there is a severe storm, listen to your local radio stations or check the DDSB website or social media feeds for school closing and transportation information by 7:30 AM. Ajax High School is in zone 4

(southern area). Durham Student Transportation Services (Bus Cancellation) information can be found at https://www.dsts.on.ca/.

SIGNING OUT:

Students who need to leave the school during the school day must be signed out through SchoolMessenger or via phone call to the office. If a student becomes ill at school, they should report to the office and a parent/guardian/caregiver will be notified before they sign out.

Students who sign out on the day of an assessment (parental excusal, teams, field trips, etc.) are subject to the assessment and evaluation policies outlined above.

Students who are signed out need to leave the school property immediately thereafter as they are no longer under the supervision of AHS staff.

SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS:

All students who are leading a club/committee and have a social media account that represents the school need to ensure that staff facilitators have control over the username and password of the account. Posts or information should only be made after staff facilitators have reviewed and approved the content. In addition, the administration will need to have the usernames and passwords for all accounts associated with the school.

SPECTATOR POLICY - HOME GAMES:

Ajax students are only allowed to view the game outside of school hours (after 3:30pm). Ajax students must show a current student ID card to enter the gym. There are no visiting team student spectators allowed in the school, unless accompanied by a school staff member or parent/guardian. Parents/Guardians and/or accompanied minors are welcome to spectate (AHS and visiting team). Spectators must sit in the bleachers area – no "standing room" spaces allowed. No food or drinks will be allowed in the gym (reusable water bottles are allowed). Student viewing privileges may be revoked if students violate the School Code of Conduct. For example: harassing players/coaches/staff, approaching or entering the playing area, etc.

STUDY PERIODS:

Students who have 24 credits at the beginning of their 4th year of high school have the option for a study period (spare). If you have a study period on your timetable, you may leave the school property, or go to the library or LGI. Students who work in the library are required to sign-in. The cafeteria is not available for students on spare. In order not to disturb classes, please avoid being in the halls during class time.

STUDENT ACTIVITY COUNCIL (SAC):

The Student Activity Council provides a forum for student leadership in the school. Each grade elects a representative to provide students with a voice in school decision–making. The Student Activity Council also sponsors many activities throughout the school year. Elections for positions in grades 10, 11, and 12 are usually held in May. Grade 9 position elections are held in September.

TELEPHONE:

There is a phone in the main office which can be used for signing out. Please check with a member of the clerical team before use.

TEXTBOOKS/MATERIALS:

You are responsible for all materials loaned to you. You will be expected to pay for their replacement if they are lost and/or damaged.

THEFT/LOSS OF ELECTRONICS:

Ajax High School and the Durham District School board cannot be held responsible for loss or theft of private property, including electronics and smart phones of any kind. Here are some tips to consider:

- Consider leaving expensive electronics and other valuables in a secure location at home
- Know where your valuable possessions are at all times. If you must carry them with you, keep them

- quiet and out of sight
- Do not leave your valuables in an unsecured place, including changerooms.
- Keep smartphones and other electronic devices electronically locked. Use encryption where possible.
- Become familiar with recovery/location software available for smartphones.
- Consider having insurance that protects valuables from loss or theft
- Protect yourself from identity theft by not having important or sensitive information easily available/viewable

If your personal electronic device goes missing, consider these tips:

- Call the phone if it is left in an obvious location, this may help return it quickly. If it goes straight to an automated answer it may indicate that it has been turned off
- Consider using recovery software that may help you track your phone's location
- Report the loss to your service provider they may be able to help and should know ASAP.
- Report the loss to police.

THEFT/LOSS OF VALUABLES:

Students are discouraged from bringing anything valuable to school, including technological devices, bicycles, etc. Do not leave valuable items such as jewellery, money, or personal electronic devices in an unsecure place. Report thefts to a Vice Principal immediately and fill out a theft report. The school will not be responsible for lost or stolen property.

TIMETABLE CHANGES:

If you wish to change your timetable, you must do so by the dates listed on the Guidance Google Classroom and morning announcements. Only prerequisite and pathway changes will be made after that date. You are required to attend all classes on your timetable until it has been officially changed.

VISITORS AND TRESPASSERS:

All visitors to the school must immediately report to the main office. Students are not permitted to have guests in the school or on school property unless previously arranged and approved by an administrator. If guest speakers are arranged through Ajax High School Staff, please have them report to the main office first. Persons who are in the building without office permission are trespassing and, in accordance with the Trespass Act, may be subject to legal action.

STUDENT CONDUCT

BULLYING/CYBER BULLYING:

Bullying is a behaviour that is unsolicited and allows one person or one group to gain power over another person or group. Bullying intends to cause harm and is typically repeated over time. Intimidation is a key component of bullying resulting in verbal, physical, sexual and/or psychological harassment of the victim or victims and bystanders. This intimidation places the victim(s) in an inferior position creating isolation, alienation, insecurity, fear and helplessness. These conditions are often created by using demeaning language, teasing, name calling, threatening (physical or otherwise), spreading rumours, gossiping, gestures, pushing, shoving, tripping, hitting and intruding on personal space to inflict harm (physical or otherwise) on the victim. Students who are involved in bullying other students may face suspension. The police may be involved.

CHROMEBOOKS AND COMPUTERS:

Teachers and students will understand and apply the values and norms of their community while using digital technology in the classroom. The Durham District School Board is pleased to provide you with our 1:1 Chromebook model for educational purposes, not for public access. They will help you to achieve your learning outcomes, research requirements, and assist with career preparation.

Please review this procedure with your parent/guardian/caregiver. Procedures and rules regarding the

use of the facilities and resources must be followed:

Acceptable Use

- Students will not engage in cyber communications that cause someone to fear for their safety.
- Students will use the computing technology as prescribed or approved by their teacher.
- Students will not engage in Cyber-bullying, visiting unacceptable sites, and/or illegal activity.
- Students will not engage in posting writing on the internet that is designed to insult or injure a person's reputation.
- Students will accurately cite information from the Internet.
- Students will not plagiarize. Students will abide by copyright laws.
- Students will not download and share copyrighted materials without the copyright holder's permission.
- Students will abide by school procedures. Students will not share passwords or data or misrepresent their identity. Students will report all instances of hardware damage or changes to the desktop or operating system immediately.

Safe Use

- Students will not post personal information about themselves or others. This information includes last name, age, sex, home addresses, telephone numbers, pictures, videos, routes taken to school, parents' hours of work, etc.
- Students will inform the teacher immediately when accidental access to inappropriate materials or with unacceptable users has been made. Students will seek help from principals, teachers and parents when victimized by Cyber-bullying. Students will report Cyber-bullying concerns to principals, teachers and parents.

Appropriate Use

- Students will be polite. Students will not use language that is unacceptable in the classroom, including language that is racist, sexist, harassing, violent, or otherwise unacceptable.
- Students will not send messages containing information that would cause discomfort to themselves or others if it were written on a classroom blackboard or other public place.
- Students will not use the computing technology in ways that will disrupt other users. Any tactics which harm compromise the functionality of the system are forbidden.
- Students will assume that all communications received are private and confidential and will not disseminate them without permission from the original author. Students will not collect or distribute personally identifiable information about others on the Internet.

Recourse for Abuse/Misuse Students who do not follow this procedure AND those rules provided by their teachers and their school Student Code of Behaviour will have their computing technology privileges suspended pending review. Students are reminded that the board Student Code of Conduct states that a student may be suspended or expelled from his or her school, expelled from attending any school in Ontario, and/or prohibited from engaging in school-related activities if the student commits an infraction of the Code of Conduct while he or she is at school, or engaged in a school-related activity, or engaged in conduct that has a relationship to the school or school community. Recourse and disciplinary measures are outlined in the school Student Code of Behaviour, Safe School Act, and Provincial Code of Conduct. Legal recourse may also be applied for criminal activities.

STUDENT DRESS CODE:

Ajax High School's Student Dress Code will support a safe welcoming and inclusive school environment that recognizes the shared responsibilities to promote and protect individual rights and freedoms and to maintain respectful, safe and positive school climates

A) Appropriate Dress

Students must wear;

- · Clothing which includes both a top and bottom layer
- Footwear

Students may wear;

- Any clothing that supports a human rights related need or accommodation
- · Clothing (tops) that expose arms, shoulders, stomach, midriff, neckline, cleavage, and straps but will cover nipples
- · Clothing (bottoms) that expose legs, knees, thighs, hips and expose waistbands but will cover groin and buttocks

 \cdot Any headwear that does not obscure the face, subject to human rights related needs and accommodations

B) Inappropriate Dress

Students may not wear;

- Clothing that promotes /symbolizes illegal activity (including gang activity) or drugs or alcohol or their use
- · Clothing that promotes, symbolizes or incites hate, discrimination, bias, prejudice, profanity, pornography, incites harassment or bullying, threatens harm to the safety of self or others or that includes offensive (e.g. sexist, racist, homophobic, anti-indigenous, anti-Black, anti-Semitic, Islamophobic, etc.) images or language
- · Clothing (tops) that exposes nipples
- Clothing (bottoms) that expose groin and/or buttocks
- Clothing (mask/scarf) that obscures the face (unless required to meet human rights related needs or accommodations)
- Undergarments as outerwear
- Transparent clothing that fully exposes undergarments
- Swimwear unless required for curricular or co-curricular approved activities

C) Health and Safety Dress Code Requirements

Students must comply with Health and Safety requirements for specific courses and/or co-curricular programs. Specialized dress requirements including personal protective/safety equipment occur in many classes/programs including science, physical education, technology and cooperative education.

Parents, guardians, and students must be informed well in advance, and individual needs will be accommodated by the school short of undue hardship.

In some special circumstances students may be required (or choose) to wear personal safety clothing (e.g. surgical mask) for medical reasons. Communication between the student, parents, and guardians and administration must occur for these situations.

END OF SCHOOL DAY:

The end of the academic school day is marked by the last bell. After this time, students are expected to gather their belongings and promptly exit the building. Students are not permitted in the building afterschool without direct supervision from a staff member.

LASER POINTERS, FIRECRACKERS, SNOWBALLS AND OTHER NUISANCE ITEMS:

Dangerous objects, including snowballs, firecrackers, hand-held laser pointers, cigarette lighters, noise makers, etc. must not be used on school property, and will be confiscated. Bias-Aware Progressive discipline measures may be applied if necessary.

OFFSITE AND AFTER HOURS INCIDENTS:

Ajax High School works in collaboration with parents/guardians/caregivers, community agencies and Durham Regional Police Services to educate youth on appropriate social interaction in school and the community. If you are involved in an incident off school property, or after school hours, which is against the Ajax High School Code of Behaviour, that has a nexus to and an impact on the learning environment of the school, you may be subject to the appropriate progressive discipline in accordance with DDSB Policy #5149.

PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES (Smart phones, tablets, laptops etc.):

If a mobile device is used inappropriately during instructional time, staff members may ask for it to be turned in to the office and the student must comply. Confiscated devices will be returned to the student at

the end of the instructional day from the main office (first 2 offences). On the third and all subsequent confiscations the device may only be returned to parents/guardians/caregivers. The School and Board are not responsible for any personal electronic devices brought to school.

In keeping with the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act, unauthorized video or audio recording on school grounds for any purpose is prohibited. Further, the taking of photos, filming or recording while at school or at a school related activity, is prohibited unless approved by DDSB staff for educational purposes. In particular, the use of cameras for filming and/or recording is strictly prohibited in washrooms and change-rooms. However, this is not intended to prohibit sanctioned recording of activities at events open to the general public.

PLAGIARISM AND OTHER ACADEMIC DISHONESTY:

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

As a student at Ajax High School, we expect that the work you submit for evaluation is your original work. Teachers will consult with their department head and administration of any instances of academic dishonesty. Any confirmed occurrence of cheating/plagiarism will result in a referral to the vice principal/principal and will be subject to the following considerations:

- resubmission of all or part of the assignment;
- substitution of an alternative assignment;
- increased monitoring of future assignments;
- a mark of zero;
- participation in a written agreement.

Teachers incorporate skills and strategies to avoid plagiarism and other forms of academic dishonesty into their curriculum delivery. Students are often given ample time during class along with ongoing feedback from their teachers to ensure that they are creating their own work. This time is provided with intention to support student learning and to avoid instances where a student might feel pressure to plagiarize. Various plagiarism checkers may be employed by the teacher to help support this approach.

PLAGIARISM: Plagiarism is the "use or close imitation of the language and thoughts of another without attribution, in order to represent them as one's own original work" (Growing Success, p. 151). This includes paraphrasing a source of information without giving credit in both in-text citations and bibliographic entries, copying verbatim from a source of information (with or without credit), copying from another student, or having someone else (including AI programs) complete the task for the student.

REMOVAL FROM CLASS:

If a teacher directs you to leave the classroom for inappropriate behaviour, or if you choose to leave a classroom without the teacher's permission, you must report to the office immediately, fill out a Student Behavioural Report, and wait to speak with an administrator.

SMOKING, TOBACCO PRODUCTS, ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES:

The Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017 does not permit the smoking tobacco, the use of electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) to vape any substance, and the smoke of cannabis (medical and recreational) in enclosed workplaces and enclosed public spaces, as well as other designated places in Ontario, to protect workers and the public from second-hand smoke and vapour.

Smoking refers to the smoking or holding of lighted tobacco or cannabis (medical or recreational).

Vaping refers to inhaling or exhaling vapour from an electronic cigarette or holding an activated

electronic cigarette, whether or not the vapour contains nicotine.

Smoking and vaping is not allowed in public and private schools, including the grounds associated with the school, and public areas within 20 metres of any point on the perimeter of the grounds of the school. It is also illegal to sell tobacco and vapour products in public and private schools.

This law applies to everyone including students, staff, parents/guardians and visitors at any time. The Durham Region Health Department has adopted a zero tolerance policy with respect to smoking or holding lighted tobacco for any person on school property. The SFOA, 2017 also prohibits the sale or supply of tobacco to anyone under the age of 19 anywhere in Ontario including school property regardless of the age of the supplier. SFOA, 2017 violations will be reported to the Durham Region Health Department. Set fines administered by SFOA range from \$305.00 to \$5000 maximum. The law is in effect 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year.

Do not leave the school property during classes to smoke or vape. Students who smoke or vape on school property, (including the school bus and washrooms), or adjacent to neighbours during class time or between periods and lunch time, may be suspended and their names may be referred to the Durham Regional Tobacco Enforcement. Any tobacco and/or drug products or paraphernalia in view on school property will be confiscated, and not returned.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE:

Ajax High School does not condone the use or abuse of alcohol, drugs and/or intoxicants within its jurisdiction and will respond accordingly as per Board Policy and Regulation. Students possessing, trafficking, or under the influence of controlled/intoxicating substances that are not prescribed for medical purposes may be subject to bias-aware progressive discipline. This includes drug paraphernalia.

SUSPENSION:

After ongoing engagement with the bias-aware progression discipline approach, student behaviour may result in a school suspension. The suspension will be considered in consultation with the student's family/care giver so that there is a clear understanding of the reasons for suspension and expectations of behaviour. Students returning from a suspension may require an administrator/parent interview to review the suspension upon their return. Suspended students are not allowed on school property while suspended and may face a lengthier suspension if not in compliance.

VANDALISM:

Destruction or defacing of school property whether through a malicious act, or indirectly caused by violent behaviour, horseplay, etc. may result in suspension, and restitution made upon return to school. Police may be contacted.

VIOLENCE:

Any form of violent behaviour (including play fighting if it has threatened the safety of others, and online threats) may result in suspension. Serious incidents may also include referral to Durham Regional Police Services.

WEAPONS:

A weapon is any object that could be used for attacking another person. Students in possession of weapons or replica weapons on school property may face suspension, and/or referral to Durham Regional Police Services.

ATTENDANCE: ABSENCES AND LATES

REPORTING STUDENT ABSENCES ONLINE

Parents/guardians/caregivers may choose to use the SchoolMessenger Safe Arrival system (https://go.schoolmessenger.ca) to report their student's absence in advance. Parents can also report absences through the automated telephone system by dialing 1-844-350-2646 without creating an account.

Please note that the Ajax High School answering machine will no longer be used to receive absence information for students.

ATTENDANCE:

Regular attendance and punctuality are essential for student success. If a student is absent, it remains the student's responsibility to complete all assessment tasks, and to catch up on all classroom work missed. In <u>all instances of absence</u>, students must consult with their teachers (in advance where possible) to discuss alternate due dates for assignments. If assessment tasks are not completed, course expectations cannot be evaluated. Credit courses are granted by the principal based on 110 hours of instructional time per credit, and curricular delivery and assessment is based on this model.

Students who are absent from school should have a parent/guardian/caregiver call the SchoolMessenger Safe Arrival line (1-844-350-2646).

Students who are late will report immediately to the main office to obtain a late slip. Students must take their late slip directly to their classroom to be used for entry.

All lates and absences will be communicated to families through Safe Arrival at the end of each school day.

Continual lateness will result in a referral to a Vice Principal. Students who have a reason for a late entry (e.g. Medical appointment) which is validated by a parent/guardian/caregiver note or phone call will not be penalized; students who do not have a valid reason will be issued an unexcused late penalty.

BIAS-AWARE PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE POLICY FOR LATE ENTRY

5 Late Entries	Students will remain in the office to meet with the VP to discuss the pattern and establish strategies to prevent further late entry.
10 Late Entries	Students will meet with Vice Principal
15 Late Entries	Owed Time at lunch. Vice Principal contact family
20+ Late Entries	Owed Time, Letter sent home, Family Involvement

NON-MEDICAL EXTENDED ABSENCES

Students who have a planned extended absence must notify the school and appropriate administrator two weeks prior to the absence and fill out an Extended

<u>Absence Form</u> (refer to the Ajax HS website). In completing this form, students agree to the parameters laid out by the teachers and accept that lessons will not be repeated.

	Ajax High School - September 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
				August 31 PA DAY	1	2	
3 WEEK 1	4 LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY	5 GRADE 9 DAY GRADE 9 PHOTO DAY	IN SCHOOL CO-OP LGI FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL GRADES 10-12	7 IN SCHOOL CO-OP LGI	8 IN SCHOOL CO-OP DEADLINE FOR SEMESTER 1 TIMETABLE CHANGES	9	
10 WEEK 2	II IN SCHOOL CO-OP LGI PHOTO DAY (GR. 10-12)	12 IN SCHOOL CO-OP LGI	13 IN SCHOOL CO-OP LGI	14 IN SCHOOL CO-OP LGI	15 IN SCHOOL CO-OP LGI	16	
17 WEEK 1	18 STEELPAN CLUB REHEARSALS AFTER SCHOOL - LGI	19 CONCERT BAND REHEARSALS AFTER SCHOOL - LGI	20	21	22	23	
24 WEEK 2	25	26	27 UNIVERSITY NIGHT @ 6:30 PM	28 CONCERT CHOIR REHEARSALS AFTER SCHOOL - RM. 141	29 SENIOR BOYS' VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT (both gyms)	30 ORANGE SHIRT DAY	
			7				

Ajax High School - October 2023								
Sun	Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat							
1 WEEK 1	2	3	4	5 COLLEGE NIGHT @ 6:30 PM	6 PA DAY	7		
8 WEEK 2	9 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY	10	11	12	JUNIOR AWARDS CEREMONY (AM AND PM) JUNIOR BOYS' VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT (both gyms)	14		
15 WEEK 1	16 PROGRESS REPORTS	17	18	19 COLLEGE FAIR - BUS TRIP CAREGIVER/ PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS	20	21		
22 WEEK 2	23	24 COLLEGE APPLICATION SEMINARS - LGI (PERIOD 1 & 3)	25	26 COLLEGE APPLICATION SEMINARS - LGI (PERIOD 2 & 4) MUSIC DEP'T - GRADE 9 WELCOME PARTY AFTER SCHOOL	27	28		
29 WEEK 1	UNIVERSITY APPLICATION SEMINARS - LGI (PERIOD 1 & 3)	31						

	Ajax High School - November 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
WEEK 1			TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK DAY - GRADE 9'S	UNIVERSITY APPLICATION SEMINARS - LGI (PERIOD 2 & 4)	3	4	
5 WEEK 2	6	AST DAY FOR CIVICS TERM 1	SEMESTER 1 TERM 2 STARTS (CIV/GLC TURNOVER)	9	10 REMEMBRANCE DAY EVENTS	11	
12 WEEK 1	13	14	15	16 OUAC/OCAS MIDTERM MARK TRANSMISSION	17 PA DAY	18	
19 WEEK 2	20	21	22	23 Full Disclosure	24	25	
26 WEEK 1	27 FOOD AND TOY DRIVE BEGINS	28	29	30			

Ajax High School - December 2023 Tue Wed Thu Sun Mon Fri Sat 2 SENIOR GIRLS' WEEK 1 VOLLEYBALL **TOURNAMENT** (both gyms) 5 6 9 4 8 WEEK 2 WINTER CONCERT WINTER CONCERT SET-UP AFTER ALL DAY -SCHOOL - CAF. **EVENING** PERFORMANCE @ 7PM 13 16 10 11 12 14 **15** WEEK 1 DRAMA DRAMA DRAMA DRAMA DRAMA PRODUCTION -PRODUCTION -PRODUCTION -PRODUCTION - "A PRODUCTION -TECH REHEARSAL TECH REHEARSAL TECH REHEARSAL WRINKLE IN SET TEARDOWN TIME" @ 7PM (STAGE) (STAGE) (STAGE) MUSIC DEP'T-HOLIDAY PARTY AFTER-SCHOOL **17** 20 23 18 19 21 22 WEEK 2 THE LAST HOORAH! **FOOD AND TOY DRIVE ENDS** 27 24 25 26 29 31 30 **HOLIDAY HOLIDAY HOLIDAY HOLIDAY HOLIDAY BREAK BREAK BREAK BREAK BREAK**

Ajax High School - January 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 HOLIDAY BREAK	2 HOLIDAY BREAK	3 HOLIDAY BREAK	4 HOLIDAY BREAK	5 HOLIDAY BREAK	6
7 WEEK 1	8	9	10	11	JUNIOR GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT (both gyms)	13
14 WEEK 2	DEADLINE TO APPLY TO UNIVERSITY	16	17	18	19	20
21 WEEK 1	22	23 LAST DAY OF TERM 2	24 SUMMATIVE WEEK	25 SUMMATIVE WEEK	26 SUMMATIVE WEEK	27
28	29 SUMMATIVE WEEK	30 SUMMATIVE WEEK	31 CREDIT COMPLETION /STUDENT SUCCESS DAY			

Ajax High School - February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WEEK 1				START OF SEMESTER 2 COLLEGE APPLICATION DEADLINE IN-SCHOOL CO-OP	2 IN-SCHOOL CO-OP	3
4 WEEK 2	COURSE SELECTION PRESENTATION - ALL WEEK IN-SCHOOL CO-OP	COURSE SELECTION PRESENTATION - ALL WEEK IN-SCHOOL CO-OP	COURSE SELECTION PRESENTATION - ALL WEEK IN-SCHOOL CO-OP	8 COURSE SELECTION PRESENTATION - ALL WEEK IN-SCHOOL CO-OP	Q COURSE SELECTION PRESENTATION - ALL WEEK IN-SCHOOL CO-OP	10
11 WEEK 1	IN-SCHOOL CO-OP ONTARIO BAND ASSOCIATION FESTIVAL (DATE TBD)	IN-SCHOOL CO-OP ONTARIO BAND ASSOCIATION FESTIVAL (DATE TBD)	IN-SCHOOL CO-OP ONTARIO BAND ASSOCIATION FESTIVAL (DATE TBD) OUAC/OCAS S1 FINAL MARK TRANSMISSION	15 IN-SCHOOL CO-OP ONTARIO BAND ASSOCIATION FESTIVAL (DATE TBD)	16 PA DAY	17
18 WEEK 2	19 FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY	20	21	22	23	24
25 WEEK 1	26	27	28 PINK SHIRT DAY	29	19	

Ajax High School - March 2024							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
					1	2	
3 WEEK 2	4	5	6	7	8 MARCH BREAK	9	
10 RAMADAN BEGINS	11 MARCH BREAK	12 MARCH BREAK	13 MARCH BREAK	14 MARCH BREAK	15 MARCH BREAK	16	
17 WEEK 1	18 PROGRESS REPORTS	19	20	21 CAREGIVER/ PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS	22 AJAX RAMADAN IFTAR	23	
24 WEEK 2	25 ONTARIO VOCAL FESTIVAL - O'NEILL CVI (DATE TBD)	26 ONTARIO VOCAL FESTIVAL - O'NEILL CVI (DATE TBD)	27	28	29 GOOD FRIDAY	30	
31 WEEK 1			101				

Ajax High School - April 2024							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
WEEK 1	1 EASTER MONDAY	2	3	4	5	6	
7 WEEK 2	8	9	10	11	12	13	
14 WEEK 1	SMALL ENSEMBLES MUSIC FESTIVAL (DATE TBD)	LAST DAY OF CIVICS/CAREERS TERM 1 SMALL ENSEMBLES MUSIC FESTIVAL (DATE TBD)	17 CIVICS/CAREERS TURNOVER - 1ST DAY OF SEM. 2, TERM 2 SMALL ENSEMBLES MUSIC FESTIVAL (DATE TBD)	18 SMALL ENSEMBLES MUSIC FESTIVAL (DATE TBD)	19 PA DAY	20	
21 WEEK 2	22	23 OUAC/OCAS MIDTERM MARK TRANSMISSION	24	25	26	27	
28 WEEK 1	29	30	TW				

Ajax High School - May 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WEEK 1			LAST DAY TO ACCEPT A COLLEGE OFFER OF ADMISSION	2	COED VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT (both gyms)	4
5 WEEK 2	MUSIC MONDAY CELEBRATIONS - ALL DAY	7	SPRING CONCERT SET-UP IN CAF. (AFTER SCHOOL)	SPRING CONCERT (ALL DAY) EVENING PERFORMANCE @ 7 PM	10	11
12 WEEK 1	13	14	15	16 FLAVOURS OF THE WORLD AND MULTICULTURAL TALENT SHOWCASE	17	18
19 WEEK 2	20 VICTORIA DAY HOLIDAY	21	22 SR. MUSIC - RECITAL NIGHT IN LIBRARY @ 7PM	23	24	25
26 WEEK 1	27	28	CANADA'S WONDERLAND FESTIVAL OF MUSIC, ALL DAY LATEST DATE TO RECEIVE A RESPONSE FROM OUAC	30	31	

Ajax High School - June 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
						1	
2 WEEK 2	EARLIEST DATE REQUIRED TO RESPOND TO A UNIVERSITY OFFER	4	ART SHOW SET-UP (NEW GYM)	ART SHOW - EVENING: FOR COMMUNITY @ 6PM MUSIC DEP'T AWARDS CELEBRATION AFTER SCHOOL	7 ART SHOW - MORNING: FOR CLASSES	8	
9 WEEK 1	10	11	12	13	14	15	
16 WEEK 2	17	18	19 SUMMATIVE WEEK	20 SUMMATIVE WEEK	21 SUMMATIVE WEEK NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY	22	
23/30	24 SUMMATIVE WEEK	25 SUMMATIVE WEEK GRAD SOCIAL 5-9 @ AJAX CONVENTION CENTRE	26 CREDIT COMPLETION/ STUDENT SUCCESS DAY	27 COMMENCEMENT @ 1:30PM (IROQUOIS) PA DAY	28 PA DAY	29	

Ajax High School - July 2023							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1	2	3 OUAC/OCAS S2 FINAL MARK TRANSMISSION	4	5	6	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
28	29	30	31				