

# Dixon Grove Junior Middle School

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**GRADE RANGE:** JK to 8

## *Interesting Feature*

### **Proud to be Dixon Grove...**

...Caring and committed teachers

...Active and supportive parents

...Engaged and enthusiastic students

...Supportive community partnerships

A winning combination in supporting student success.

**Dixon Grove Junior Middle School** is a K-8 school, located on the corner of Kipling Avenue and The Westway. While some of our students attend Dixon Grove starting in kindergarten, others come from Kingsview Village, Parkfielld and Westway Junior Schools, joining us in Grade 6. There are approximately 750 students at Dixon Grove with 58 different home languages. Dixon Grove Junior Middle School has proudly served the community since 1960!

### **At Dixon Grove we believe...**

...every child learns best in a safe and caring environment; one that values respect, high academic achievement, diversity and teamwork  
...in delivering a quality education; one that fosters each child's academic potential

...continuous improvement and positive communication are the shared responsibility of the school, home and community  
...through healthy lifestyles, students are empowered to develop positive attitudes, build self-esteem and promote good character



**"Together WE can make a Difference!"**



## Addressing Student Needs...

To support learning we have four Home School Programs and two Resource Rooms. For English Language Learners we have 3 ESL and 2 LEAP programs. Further, we have the Reading Recovery and Early Reading Intervention programs, Peer Tutoring, after school Numeracy and Literacy Programs and homework clubs all to support student success.



## The Arts...

To nurture creativity we have String and Band Itinerant Programs, a Drumming Crew, Senior Glee Club, a Primary/Junior school choir and an Art Club. To celebrate our commitment to the Arts our school is filled with beautiful works of art, and our musical talents are showcased at concerts and assemblies. Music and Visual Arts are instructed by specialist teachers.



## Toronto Schools on The Move...

Healthy lifestyles are promoted through Daily Physical Activity and a variety of intramural and sport teams. Health and fitness events (Zumba, cooking classes) ensure the whole family participates! The *Toronto Foundation for Student Success* and community partners support our breakfast, morning snack and lunchtime programs. We have pizza and sub lunches every month.



## WIN/SEPT

To support families new to the country, our Settlement Worker organizes meetings and workshops about many topics including EQAO, Income Tax, Fire Safety, and how to access community resources and agencies. The Settlement Worker also helps facilitate the WIN and Newcomer programs, which help new families familiarize themselves with the educational system.



## Additional Features

- SMART Boards / i Pads/Mac laptops
- Safety Patrollers
- Historica Fair
- Sewing Club/Chess Club /Lego Club
- Assistive Technology
- Guidance Councilor
- ECO Club
- Student Leadership/Government



## Student Life - Where You Belong

Students have many opportunities to actively participate in all aspects of school life! From sewing, baking, safety patrollers, chess, ukulele, drumming, singing, art and eco clubs, to basketball, badminton, cricket, all are making a difference in the lives of others -- our students take action! This year students have participated in Me to We, Boys To Men, and Women on the Move. Students hone their leadership skills through the Leadership Groups, a series of committees that focus on equity, school spirit and community partners, all lead by our student President and Vice President. School life extends beyond the classroom, from the annual school ski trips, to the grade 7 overnight stay at Albion Hills, and the annual grade 8 trip. Creative kids work on the yearbook to help record all the exciting happenings.



## What Sets Us Apart

**We are a school with heart!** We value Character Development and the values it instills in our students -- we not only learn it, we live it! Based on the TDSB 10 Character Attributes we recognize the contributions of our Caring Canadians at monthly assemblies. The caring continues, as our students raise money for the Clean Water Project, Terry Fox and make donations to local food banks. More recently, classes assembled 56 holiday gift boxes, and annually participate in Jump Rope (Grades 1-6) and Hoop For Heart (Grades 7-8).





## Parent and Community Engagement

**Learning is a partnership -- when we work together, students succeed!** Our community partners include: Toronto Public Health, The George Hull Centre, Surrey Place, Toronto Police Services, Toronto Parks and Recreation, and the Toronto Public Library. Our School Council is an active contributor to our school community. They support programs and organize events including Family Movie Nights, Monday morning "Coffee Talk" sessions, Multicultural Pot Luck Dinner, Flea Market, pizza and sub lunches. Our parents assist in all aspects of school life as volunteers for field trips, in the classroom, the nutrition program and organizing fundraising activities.



## TDSB - Better Schools. Brighter Futures

Imagine a TDSB where all schools share a common core set of characteristics. They are community-driven and focused on teaching and learning. Students and parents have a wide variety of opportunities and there are enough students in every school to increase program choices.

Imagine there is a clear focus on achieving student success and every student is engaged, has a voice, access to a caring adult and the opportunity to develop their full potential.

Here at the TDSB our focus is on student achievement, parent and community engagement and financial stability.



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