

Neil McNeil High School



PREPARING STUDENTS FOR THE FUTURE

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FIDELITAS IN ARDUIS

"Faith in Hard Times"

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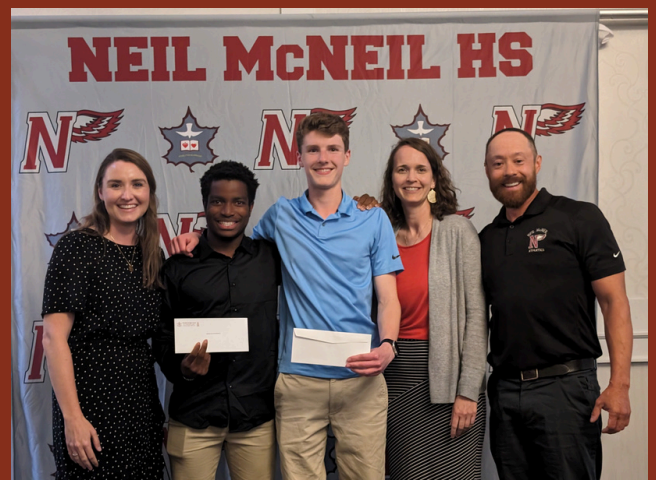


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Founded in 1958 by the Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers), Neil McNeil is a semestered boys' school within the Toronto Catholic District School Board. Since 1958, Neil McNeil has been successfully educating young Catholic men. The school continues to enjoy a long tradition of Catholic Leadership, academic excellence, and achievement in both athletics and the arts. Following the school's motto Fidelitas in Arduis, we strive to cultivate a brotherhood in which every student has the opportunity to achieve his potential and to use his gifts to serve; leading boys to be men, for others.

Grade 9
Orientation
Camp



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Principal's Message

Greetings GRADE 8 Boys and Elementary School Families!
Welcome to Neil McNeil!

Congratulations on making the decision to explore Neil McNeil High School as an option for next year! This is certainly an exciting time for you.

This decision-making process in which you are now immersed, is a challenging one and your decision is an important one. You are choosing a school where you will study for the next four years; where you will make new friends, participate in extra- curricular activities and have fun as you grow and mature.

You may have already decided that Neil McNeil is where you want to spend the next four years of your life and you are reading this brochure to simply confirm that decision. Maybe you are looking at several schools, gathering as much information as you can and then, with your family, making a decision that best suits you. I congratulate you on doing your research and I hope your decision is well-informed.

Neil McNeil is an excellent high school, delivering Catholic Education in the east end of Toronto since 1958. Founded by the Congregation of the Holy Ghost Fathers, The Spiritans, we are very proud of our school's history and we are excited about who we will become in the years ahead. We hope to empower and motivate you to use your individual gifts with integrity, creativity and generosity, becoming leaders in the global community.

I invite you to be a part of our school community in the next four years and a part of the Neil McNeil Legacy! If you choose Neil McNeil as your high school, you will not be disappointed!

Please do not hesitate to reach out to us if you have any questions or need more information. All the best to you and your family. Keep well.

Ms. Sandra Mudryj, Principal

Why Choose Neil McNeil

Our goal is to provide an excellent academic program with supports in place to make the transition from elementary school to high school a successful experience. A dedicated and experienced teaching staff, a supportive guidance department, and a caring chaplaincy team ensure that students have an interesting and challenging introduction to high school.

THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM

The Grade 9 program includes the following compulsory subjects: Mathematics, English, Canadian Geography, Science, Religion, and French. As part of the new Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) requirements, all students must earn at least one Arts credit and one Technological Education credit by the end of Grade 10. To support students in meeting this requirement, all Grade 9 students will select an Arts course as their first elective. Students may choose from Visual Arts, Drama, or Instrumental Music. For their second elective, students may choose from Physical Education, Technological Design, or Business.

SUMMER TRANSITION PROGRAM

During this four week summer school program, incoming grade nine students prepare for high school and study Numeracy, Literacy, and Physical Education. Each student can earn one credit towards his Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD).

ORIENTATION

Grade nine students will be given the opportunity to participate in an orientation program. The program is designed to introduce the new grade nine students to each other, to senior student leaders, and to key staff members. Students learn about Neil McNeil traditions, expectations, and opportunities, as well as the importance of Christian values and community.

FRESHMAN FORTY CELEBRATION

The Freshman Forty Celebration began in September 2009 as a means of encouraging our grade nine students to complete their 40 hours of community service prior to the end of their first year of high school. Throughout the school year, students can find a variety of volunteer and community involvement opportunities posted in their Guidance Google Classroom. Students may begin earning and recording their community involvement hours in July after completing Grade 8. Students are celebrated with an awards ceremony in May. We would love to have your son put their faith into action and be part of this celebration.

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BROTHERHOOD LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Our award winning mentorship program provides support for academic needs and social development. Through this program and with the support of many caring adults, students grow to become supportive, caring and responsible leaders themselves.



SPECIALIST HIGH SKILLS MAJOR PROGRAMS

This Ministry sponsored initiative provides students the opportunity to customize their education according to their career goals. The program combines relevant academic courses, experiential learning, industry recognized certifications and workplace experience. SHSM students earn a Red Seal of Distinction on their Diploma upon successful completion of the program. Neil McNeil offers the following Red Seal SHSM programs: Health & Wellness, ICT and Construction.



HIGHLIGHTS

- Strong Connection with the Spiritan Fathers
- Long Tradition of Academic Excellence and Catholic Leadership Development
- Dedicated and Experienced Teaching Staff
- Computer-Assisted Design and Manufacturing Centre
- Complete and Highly Competitive Athletic Program (Varsity and Intramural)
- Wide variety of School Activities and Clubs
- International School Travel
- An Active and Involved Alumni Community
- Thousands of Successful Graduates
- Grade 9 Orientation and Transition Program
- Peer Tutoring/Mentorship Program
- Variety of Arts Programs, including Visual, Media, Drama and Instrumental Music Program
- Promotion of Charitable Causes and Social Justice through Volunteer Experiences
- Spiritan Scholarship Fund

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A CARING SOCIAL & SPIRITUAL ENVIRONMENT

Adolescence is a time of growth. The Neil McNeil Community provides young men with a variety of opportunities for spiritual growth and social development. Life at Neil McNeil is enriched by:

SPIRITUAL LIFE

- Liturgical Celebrations
- Retreats
- Reconciliation Services
- Award-Winning Catholic Service Leadership Program
- Social Justice Outreach programs
- Confirmation Retreat Team
- Fundraisers for local, TCDSB and Spiritan Charities
- Street Patrol - Poverty Outreach Program

CLUBS AND SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

- A Dynamic Brotherhood Leadership Program
- Badminton Club
- Chess Club
- Drama Performances
- Dramatic Productions
- Eco Club
- Homework Club
- Leadership Camp
- Music and Band
- Neil McNeil Spirit Walk
- Robotics
- School Reach Competitions
- School Trips - International Travel
- Yearbook



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ATHLETICS

Neil McNeil offers a wide variety of Varsity and Intramural Sports providing the opportunity for all students to participate and to enhance their physical development.

VARSITY SPORTS

- Neil McNeil presently fields 30 Varsity Teams which compete in the Toronto District College Athletic Association (TDCAA), one of Canada's largest and most prestigious athletic associations.
- In its over sixty five year history, Neil McNeil teams have won over 125 Toronto area championships and over 30 Ontario Championships.
- Over the years, Neil McNeil graduates have competed for Canadian universities, accepted athletic scholarships to universities in the United States, and have gone on to play for professional sports teams.
- Host to annual events such as the John Rowland Memorial Games and Boardwalk Relays.

VARSITY TEAMS (JUNIOR / SENIOR)

- Badminton
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Curling
- Flag Football
- Golf
- Ice Hockey
- Indoor Soccer
- Indoor Track
- Rugby
- Lacrosse
- Skiing
- Snowboarding
- Soccer
- Swim
- Tennis
- Track & Field
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Volleyball
- Wrestling



INTRAMURAL SPORTS

Neil McNeil's intramural program encourages students to participate in sports on a recreational basis and promotes sportsmanship and camaraderie.

Basketball Ice Hockey Pickleball

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HOW TO APPLY ONLINE

All applications must be submitted online
secsoar.tcdsb.org

TIPS FOR COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION

1. Be prepared. Make sure you have read through the admissions requirements and deadlines. Be aware of application and document submission deadlines - priority will be given to applications submitted by deadlines.
2. Keep track of your Login ID and password. At the beginning of the application, you will be asked to create an account. Please ensure your TCDSB elementary school has your primary email address in their system. SOAR utilizes email to communicate with the potential applicants. This allows you to log in and out as many times as you need to before you submit it. Note: *all communication relating to your application will occur by email.*
3. Registration Guide for Parents - Please use the link below for information on how to apply .

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Congratulations
NEIL MCNEIL HIGH SCHOOL
Graduating Class of 2026



Neil McNeil Graduates have accepted offers to:

Brock University
 Carleton University
 Centennial College
 Dalhousie University
 Durham College
 George Brown Polytechnic

Humber Polytechnic
 Lansing Community College
 Laurentian University
 McMaster University
 Queen's University
 Seneca Polytechnic

St. Clair College
 Southern Maine Community College
 Toronto Metropolitan University
 Trent University
 University of Guelph
 University of Toronto

Western University
 University of Waterloo
 Wilfrid Laurier University
 York University

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