

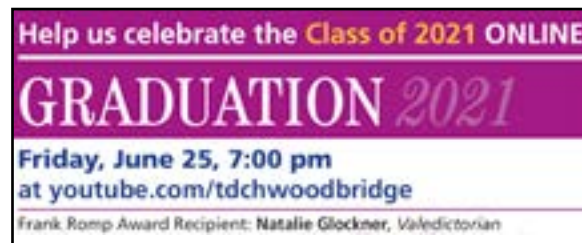


# THE FRIDGE DOOR

June 16, 2021  
Toronto District Christian High School  
377 Woodbridge Avenue  
Woodbridge, ON L4L 2V7

VOL XXVII NO. 18  
(905) 851-1772  
Toll free (855) 663-6632  
Fax (905) 851-9992  
Website: [www.tdchristian.ca](http://www.tdchristian.ca)

Page 1: Nota Bene, Reminder to Gr. 12 Families, Spring Appeal  
Page 2: What's Upcoming, Praise & Petition, Board Matters, Transportation  
Page 3: Finance, Admissions, School Culture, Music Notes, The Learning Commons, Fundraiser for Debt Reduction, Falcon's Perch  
Page 4: FlipGive, Grade 11 Mentorship  
Page 5: Guidance Corner, Centre Stage, Library Shelf  
Page 6: TDChristian Archives, Canadian Cancer Society Appreciation



## Nota Bene

- William Groot

The following excerpt is from the very first *Fridge Door*, Sept. 4, 1994. It was a time when we still hit two spaces after the end of each sentence, paper was the primary way to deliver messages, and if it wasn't in the *Fridge Door* it wasn't a school event.

**WELCOME TO THE FRIDGE DOOR.** In a home of teenagers what gets more attention than the fridge door? Probably the food in the fridge. At the school we hope this communication link, like the revolving door on your kitchen fridge, is frequently opened to the good things that are within TDCH. We suggest this newsletter gets pinned to your kitchen fridge alongside the pictures of your niece, the big fish you caught last summer, and the pictures of your last family reunion. The *Fridge Door* will be produced on blue 8 1/2 by 14 paper every second Wednesday.

Well almost 27 years later, the question is, "Is this the final *Fridge Door*? Maybe. As we look at ways to move forward using the recently-completed strategic plan, how we communicate effectively and thoroughly in 2021 will be examined. But communicate we must and we will!

In an everchanging world, we know that we have an all-powerful and sovereign God on whom we can depend. He has been our Rock this year as the pandemic's waves have risen and fallen. God will be our Rock well into the future.

As for 2021-22, we will communicate via Edsby messages our developing plans throughout the summer on the following Wednesdays: June 30, July 14, 28, and August 11. **We will keep in mind the directives and advice of the Ministries of Education and Health but our intention is to be an everyday, in-person school for all of our students running a two-semester schedule.** If you have questions or concerns about this direction, email [feedback@tdchristian.ca](mailto:feedback@tdchristian.ca). We are presently working at building this model. Schedules and details about the new school year will be sent to our students and families as part of our mid-August mailing.

Finally, thank you for taking time to read the *Fridge Door* and for supporting us in the important work of helping students learn for service in the light of God's Word. On behalf of the staff and board of TDChristian, I wish you a good, safe, and blessed summer! We hope we will be able to meet at Back-in-the-Groove Again, our opening night, on Thursday, Sept. 2.

## Reminder to Grade 12 Families:

Grade 12 families- don't forget to submit your celebration videos for our grad celebrations. Instructions were sent to you in a PDF via Edsby. Upload your videos to: <https://www.dropbox.com/request/5IDplszS6MOAUeRQsPHd>. The deadline is June 21.

## Spring Appeal:

- L. Fernhout, Community Engagement Manager

Thank you for being part of such a wonderful supportive community! Your prayers and gifts of time and money are appreciated! The Spring Appeal has raised just over \$30,000 for areas such as tuition assistance, mortgage reduction, and technology support needed to offer stellar remote learning to our 390 students. There is still time to give as we wrap up the school year. To help us reach our \$40,000 goal, consider donating today at [tdchristian.ca/giving](http://tdchristian.ca/giving).

## What's Upcoming at TDChristian?

- **Friday, June 18** is the last day of regular classes.
- **Final Assembly: on Friday, June 18 at 7 p.m. on YouTube channel: TDCHWoodbridge.** Grab the family and celebrate 2020-21 together. It is a 80-minute testament to God's goodness in a tough year. See Edsby announcements for more details.
- **Student Drop Off/Pick Up date is Monday, June 21 from 8 to 5 pm.** Come to the school and return library books, art supplies, text books, cameras, laptops and more, as well as to pick up any student work or items still at the school. Grade 12 students who ordered grad clothing or TD clothing can pick those up as well. Parents/Guardians/Homestays will receive ONE Parent/Guardian Volunteer hour for making the trip.
- **Wednesday, June 23 at 5 p.m.: TDChristian's Class of 2021's** In-person Outdoor Graduation Ceremony (rain date is Thursday, June 24). Due to provincial guidances and safety protocols, only class and staff members will be permitted to attend. Details were sent via an Edsby message to students and their families today.
- **Quadmester 4 Report Cards** will be mailed during the last week of June.
- **Thursday, September 2: Back-in-the-Groove-Again evening** to kick off 2021-22. Details to be sent in August.

## Praise & Petition

- E. Dengerink/M. Laswick

It has been a challenging year with many changes. The one thing that has not changed is that we are still loved and cared for by our Heavenly Father! We are thankful for his presence in our lives and the strength and comfort that He provides. Many of us have experienced a wide range of emotions including uncertainty, sadness, loss, excitement, love, happiness, and joy! We look forward to the future with hope in our hearts as we reconnect with family and friends during the summer break and as we dream about new possibilities for the next school year.

Pray for our students during the final two days of the school year – that they have the energy and motivation to end the year well. We are thankful and proud of the resilience of our students and how they managed to make the best of remote learning this quadmester.

Our Grade 12 students have made their decisions for next year! As they have blessed us during the last four years, we pray that they will be a blessing to those they encounter in the years ahead. We hope and pray that they may have a sense of peace and excitement as they look forward to beginning a new chapter in their lives.

Pray for a safe, restful, adventurous summer for all. May we revel in the glory of God's creation!

A huge "thank you" to the Relay for Life team that organized this year's event. It was a wonderful community building opportunity that raised \$30,000 for the Canadian Cancer Society! As we continue to pray for those we know who are dealing with cancer, we hope that the research efforts of so many will help to find treatment and cures for all types of cancer! See *the Appreciation Certificate from the Canadian Cancer Society on Page 6*.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Dengerink who became grandparents on Tuesday. Chloe Grace was born to their daughter Jodi and son-in-law Zack! They praise God for a healthy granddaughter to love and enjoy!

Teacher Christina Sanita is getting married on August 26. We wish her and her fiance, David, a lifetime of happiness.

## Board Matters

- Jordan Kuyvenhoven, TDChristian Board Chair

The upcoming year is full of opportunities and I look forward to serving the school as the newly-elected Board chair. We are very excited about the strategic plan and how it will help our school focus on priorities. Focusing will lay the groundwork to make significant progress in both the short-term and long-term.

We are thankful for the Lord's goodness as we close out another school year and are very pleased that the Class of 2021 can celebrate their achievements together in-person. Given the tremendous challenges the students, teachers, and administration at TDChristian have experienced in the past year, please join me in praying for their relaxation and restoration during the summer break.

## Transportation

- J. Dykxhoorn

Thank you to those of you who emailed and volunteered to be TDChristian Bus Reps next year. All positions have been filled for which I am very thankful!

## From the Finance Office

- M. Rosie

The 2021-22 tuition forms are now past due! Contact Meg Rosie if you have questions (905-851-1772 ext 214 or [mrosie@tdchristian.ca](mailto:mrosie@tdchristian.ca)). These forms are essential for planning 2021-22.

## Admissions

- P. Schuurman

Congratulations to Grade 8 students (and their families) as they celebrate their graduations this month! We wish you a wonderful time as you move to the next stage of life. We look forward to seeing many of you in September.

We have received many applications for the new school year. However, there is still room in all grades. So, if you have not done so yet, and would like to apply, please go to [tdchristian.ca/studentadmissions](http://tdchristian.ca/studentadmissions). Click on "Admissions Application" to bring you to our online application process. The sooner we can receive your application, the better. Lots of planning is underway!

If you have any questions, contact me at [schuurman@tdchristian.ca](mailto:schuurman@tdchristian.ca).

Pass the word around that TDChristian is the place to be!

## School Culture

- J. Dykxhoorn

Our Relay for Life event wrapped up last week. It was a huge success. Our school Facebook post this past weekend has some great details in a "By the numbers" recap. The participants raised over \$30,000! A huge thank-you to the 14 students who led the event, the many staff and students who participated, and to all who helped support it!

The FINAL ASSEMBLY will premiere on Friday at 7 p.m. on our YouTube channel, TDCHWoodbridge. We celebrate student work and performances, recognize students for their contributions, announce award winners, say good bye to staff members, and simply have fun. Join us then as we wrap up the 2020-21 school year!

## Music Notes

- K. Hayward

In spite of the limited opportunities for making music at school this year, TDChristian students continue to bless our community with their music. Be sure to "tune" into the final assemblies of the year to see and hear some of them in action. We thank the members of the guitar class for their presentation last week. If you missed it, visit the TDCHWoodbridge video channel and click on the **Assembly for June 11th: Guitar Assembly**.

Students in possession of school music equipment and/or instruments must return them on Monday, June 21.

We look forward to hearing and making more music next year! Have a great summer, everyone!

Please direct any questions regarding the music program to me at [hayward@tdchristian.ca](mailto:hayward@tdchristian.ca).

## The Learning Commons

- M. Jaworski

As we come to the end of Quad 4, students are reminded to finish strong! Those needing help in their courses with homework, POLs, or final assignments can access help through Homework Club either in person or virtually. Students with an IEP or a Learning Profile are encouraged to arrange ASAP for the accommodations that they will need for any upcoming evaluations or summative projects.

Blessings to everyone for the summer. We look forward to seeing you again in September!

## Fundraiser for Debt Reduction

- Leanne Fernhout, Community Engagement Manager

Thanks to everyone who participated and thank you to Catia Gorman for sharing her knowledge of wellness with us!

There's still time to learn more about dōTERRA: Go to [www.facebook.com/groups/doterrapartyproject2020/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/doterrapartyproject2020/)

Orders can still be placed today directly with Catia at: [catiadoterra@gmail.com](mailto:catiadoterra@gmail.com)

## FlipGive: Earn Volunteer Hours (in the summer)- L. Fernhout, Community Engagement Manager

**Don't miss out on earning Volunteer hours for next school year!** The sooner that you start, the more time you have to earn hours. Don't wait, join FlipGive today! If you are already signed up with FlipGive:

1. Login to your FlipGive account.
2. Click on the team name on the top left hand corner (Toronto District Christian High School).
3. Scroll down below the settings area to where you see 'Switch Account' heading.
4. Click on 'Join Team' with the + button and enter the code L2HTJW.

### To sign up for the first time to FlipGive:

1. Join team TDChristian by clicking: [Join Team Link](#). The join code is L2HTJW.
2. You will get a \$5 bonus the first time you shop.

### Here is how family and friends can now also participate and help you earn hours:

1. Parents and guardians must first join or sign-up to team TDChristian using the set of steps above.
2. When we see you have joined, we will then set your family name up as team player.
3. Once #2 is complete, family and friends can be invited to join the team by clicking this link: [Join Team Link](#). When they do, they will be given an option via a dropdown menu to choose under which player they want to sign up. Be sure they choose your team as we won't know all of your family and friends. Alternatively, you can invite others to sign up by sending an invite link/join code directly from your account to them.
4. Shop

### Here are particulars for this new session of FlipGive (which runs from now until April 30, 2022):

1. Every \$20 you earn for TDChristian earns you ONE parent/guardian volunteer hour up to a maximum of 12.5 hours.
2. After you've reached 12.5 hours, you can earn ONE volunteer hour for every \$40 earned via FlipGive for TDChristian.
3. Earnings from family and friends who are signed up under your team will count towards your total.
4. The maximum number of volunteer hours is 18 hours (to encourage people to diversify their volunteering).
5. Earnings for volunteer hours will be counted for the 2021-22 school year.

Finally, earn volunteer hours by becoming a HUB leader for the FlipGive program. Email Leanne Fernhout at [fernhout@tdchristian.ca](mailto:fernhout@tdchristian.ca) to learn more.

## Grade 11 Mentorship

- S. Van Eerden

The Mentorship Program is wrapping up for the final quadmester. Thank-you to students, to mentors, and to parents, guardians, and homestay parents for taking the opportunity to connect outside the walls of the school building, especially during such a difficult time to do so. We hope that the experience has made you richer for having persevered. Mentors, you are eligible for up to five hours volunteer time if you participated. Please submit your hours to Meg Rosie. Thanks again.

## Falcon's Perch

- C. Hoving

Despite an entire year without formalized athletics, I am thankful for the ways we could safely try and incorporate activities into their school years. There were tournaments, competitions, and fitness challenges. Many of you took good care of yourselves and kept active helping your academics and learning. It was not easy; I commend your resiliency in navigating what was lost without school sport this year. My hope is that we can return to play in the fall.

As part of Friday's Final Assembly, we will recognize our Class of 2021 student-athletes and the contributions many of them made to our athletics program. Honourable All-Star mentions will be noted for commitment to four or more teams. All-Stars for stand-out play on a team or sport will be recognized and the Sue McIver and Glenn Van Zeumeren Awards for displaying exceptional leadership qualities along with the Terry Van Dyke Memorial Awards for Male and Female athletes of the year will be announced.

As the pandemic's effect hopefully continues to decline allowing for more opportunities for safe activities, I encourage you to get outside and be active. The positive impacts will be a huge benefit as we navigate these times.

## Guidance Corner

- E. Dengerink

**Summer School Registration** is available in all school boards. TDChristian does not run a summer school program. Students who need to attend summer school will do so via their local Public/Catholic school board. Students who are in danger of failing a course should register for the Reinforcement course (55 hours of class time) as soon as possible. Students may also take an Acceleration course (110 hours of class time) which has been approved by Guidance. Summer school information is found at [splash.tdchristian.ca/pdf/202021/SummerSchool2021vers2.pdf](https://splash.tdchristian.ca/pdf/202021/SummerSchool2021vers2.pdf). All summer school courses will be remote. Contact Mrs. Dengerink for assistance with registration.

### Important dates:

**Ontario Community College Applicants:** Check due dates for the payment of tuition fees. Students who are not accepted into their chosen programs, or who have changed their minds about a program, can use the FIND-A-PROGRAM feature on the Ontario Colleges website to search for up-to-date information about other programs offered across the province and their availability (open, closed, wait-list).

**University Applicants:** Check deadlines for applying for residence and registering for courses. Play close attention to how your program will be delivered in the fall. To defer, check the deferral policy to see what your options are. OUAC also offers a Program Vacancy service beginning in June. If you wish to see what is still available, check their website.

**Grade 11s:** Thinking ahead...although it is only June 2021, we recommend Grade 11 students take advantage of the summer break to research programs and campuses that interest them. MyBlueprint is a program available to all students for research and information on post-secondary directions. Take some of the quizzes to discover more about your learning style and interests, look up careers connected to a subject you really enjoy, listen to people as they share what they like and dislike about their jobs. Check with guidance if you need your login information. The TDChristian Splash! Page has a link to MyBlueprint, as well as information for students and their parents, guardians or homestay parents.

**Queen's University Summer Enrichment:** This summer, excite your curiosity with online 5-day summer courses in a range of topics, including engineering, biology, psychology, politics, creative writing and more! Explore your passions or learn a new skill in a collaborative digital university setting. Students learn independently with 15 hours of content per course on Queen's University's dedicated learning management system, OnQ.

Courses work around your part-time job, summer day camp or sports activities, so you can enjoy your summer and learn with Queen's! For more information go to: [esu.queensu.ca/summer2021](https://esu.queensu.ca/summer2021).

**Volunteer Hours:** Summer is a wonderful time to volunteer. Check to make sure your activity is on the approved list, keep track of your hours, get the forms signed, and turn them in next September. Have fun serving in your community! Community Service forms and guidelines can be found on the TDChristian Splash! Page.

## Centre Stage

- R. Peters

Enjoy the announcement of the Drama Awards in this Friday's assembly. Celebrate the accomplishments and contributions made by members of the Class of 2021!

## Library Shelf

- J. Knibbe

**NOTE:** All library books and classroom textbooks or materials borrowed from the library or your teacher (or their replacement costs if lost or damaged) are due on or before Monday, June 21, 2021. Come between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Edsby messages will be sent to students and their parents/guardians reminding them to make these returns. One Parent/Guardian Volunteer Hour will be awarded to each family when the returns are made.



**Archives Collection:** For several years, teacher Richard Vanderkloet created small wooden mementoes as gifts for TD graduates. The two examples pictured here were given in 1996 and 2007.

If you remember receiving a similar gift at your grad breakfast, and still have it, it would be great if you could send us a photo of the object and the year that it was given. We are also happy to accept the actual object if you would like to donate it to the archives collection.

**Project 2020** includes the construction of a bank of display cases along the History Wall, in which we plan to display many items from the collection. Stay tuned for further developments!

**Photos and Videos:** Anyone who has photos or videos of past TDChristian events is encouraged to send them our way. We would be happy to scan and return them.

**@TD Newsletter:** We love to keep in contact with all of our alumni and send them the @TDChristian quarterlies! We encourage you to send us your email address via [alumni@tdchristian.ca](mailto:alumni@tdchristian.ca). If you have wedding, baby or any other exciting news to share in the alumni section of the @TD, please do so at the same address.

**Everything else:** If, while reorganizing and cleaning up files, you come across anything from TDChristian, such as Newsletters, play programs, graduation programs, posters, school clothing, that we could add to the archives, email me at [knibbe@tdchristian.ca](mailto:knibbe@tdchristian.ca).

