



**November 2019**

# MYER MARAUDERS

A.N. MYER SECONDARY SCHOOL

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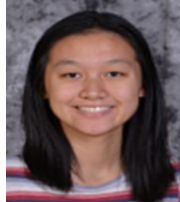
## Continued Academic Excellence

Once again, the students of AN Myer have achieved excellent results on the Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics and Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test.

87% of students in Academic Math classes achieved the provincial standard on the Assessment of Mathematics. This is 1 percentage point above the board average and 3 percentage points above the provincial average.

74% of students in Applied Math classes achieved the provincial standard on the Assessment of Mathematics. This is 17 percentage point above the board average and 30 percentage points above the provincial average.

84% of students writing the OSSLT for the first time achieved the provincial standard. This is 4 percentage points above the board average and 5 percentage points above the provincial average.



Congratulations to **Jessica Zheng** who has been selected as a semi-finalist for the prestigious Loran Scholars Foundation award. She will be attending the regional interviews later this month and we wish her all the best.



The junior boys volleyball team and the junior girls basketball team have both won ZONE and will be competing at SOSSA soon. Meanwhile the senior boys volleyball placed 2nd at SOSSA! Way to go Marauders!



## Our Family of Schools

Cherrywood Acres Public School

John Marshall Public School

Martha Cullimore Public School

Orchard Park Public School

Prince Philip Public School

St. David's Public School

Victoria Public School



## I N V E S T M E N T S

The District School Board of Niagara continue to invest in upgrading instructional spaces. Over the past year, there have been several construction projects at AN Myer. All the science labs were renovated, a robotics space was created, the ComTech lab was updated and the Little Theatre was renovated and is now fully accessible. The investment made in these projects was **\$850,000.00.!**

## Myer Talent Takes Centre Stage

A.N. Myer proudly re-opened the Little Theatre on November 7th. Many attended the event and were treated to live music and entertainment.



## Inspiring Athletes Through Arts

Myer Arts created a butterfly installation piece and placed it on the International Marathon route to encourage the participants. Great job!



## Brock Mentorship Opportunities

Myer is excited to welcome back the Brock Mentors who work with our grade 10 students in preparation for the Ontario Secondary School Literacy

Test. Students meet with their mentors once a week, work on different writing skills and receive feedback to improve. The Brock University Mentorship Program helped many students last year achieve 75% or higher which is required to pass.

## 2019 Brock-Niagara French Competition

Congratulations to the grade 10 French team that placed second at the competition. The following students competed against high schools from across the region and made A.N. Myer proud. Félicitations to **Sofia Diaz, Elizabeth Jarvie, Paige Kemp** and **Olivia Snyder**! Bravo!



## Myer Votes!

With the enhanced curriculum content made possible by the election cycle, grade 10 Civics' students at Myer joined nearly 1.2 million of their peers from across Canada in the Student Vote initiative. Nearly 400 Marauders participated in the vote.



A local candidates' debate took place on October 10, where the questions for the candidates had been submitted by students to reflect their priorities. The debate moderators were a group of enthusiastic seniors who volunteered to take on the role and dozens of students volunteered to prepare the event. The debate lasted nearly an hour and gave candidates Tony Baldinelli, Andrea Kaiser, Brian Barker, Sandra O'Connor, Mike Strange, and Alex Taylor the chance to interact with students and share their positions on a wide-range of issues. Even Wayne Gates, Niagara Falls' local Member of Provincial Parliament was in attendance. The students left a great impression on the candidates and this is sure to become a Myer tradition.



A.N. Myer Secondary School has been honoured with the distinction of being a Downie and Wenjack Legacy School.

Inspired by Chanie's story and Gord's

call to build a better Canada, the Gord Downie & Chanie Wenjack Fund aims to build cultural understanding and create a path towards reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. The fund's work centres around improving the lives of Indigenous people by building awareness, education, and connections between all Canadians.

## SSTC News



The SSTC crew headed to NTEC for an outdoor experience of group activities and leadership.





## Life-changing Co-op Experiences

Once again this school year, A.N Myer Secondary School students are participating in the Foundation for Student Science and Technology (FSST) On-Line Research Co-op program. The On-Line Research Co-op is an exciting opportunity for students to learn and participate in a research learning program in science and technology. As part of the program, students have the opportunity to be mentored by a leading Canadian Researcher and to complete a research paper and presentation of their topic by the end of their placement. Mentors who have participated in the program were affiliated with the Canadian Space Agency, Toronto Sick Kids Hospital, University of Manitoba and Toronto General Hospital amongst others.

Grade 12 student **Erin Feng** who previously completed her research in the program with One Child Canada said, "With absolute confidence I feel that this co-op experience has been life changing. It has helped me to explore future career paths and allowed me to determine what I would like to do for the future. Through my research placement, I was able to develop the skills necessary for success in my post-secondary education, while developing life long relationships with my mentors".

Students interested in participating in the On-Line Research Co-op are encouraged to contact the AN Myer Co-op Office or Guidance for more information.



## Ontario Student Leader Conference



From November 3rd to November 5th, Myer sent 24 students from our Student Council and Specialist High Skills Major program to the 41st Ontario Student Leadership Conference (OSLC). The Myer group joined over 2400 students from across Ontario and Quebec to listen to the countries largest group of speakers that teach, entertain, and inspire.





The brand NEW scoreboard is the finishing touch to the outdoor athletic facilities at A.N. Myer. It debuted during this year's football season. It added to the atmosphere as our senior boys football team's victory at ZONE!



## Ultimate Frisbee



Myer's ultimate frisbee team represented the school admirably in the first official year of it being an OFSAA sanctioned sport. The "spirit of the game" was always on display, whether it was at 7am practice in the dark, in brutal wind and rain, or (rarely) in glorious sunshine. The team placed 2nd at Zone and 4th as SOSSA, an excellent showing. Nearly 30 students were involved with the team in one way or another, and coaches McGinn and Koop encourage anyone and everyone to come out and get involved next year.

## Golf Team at OFSAA



This fall, the Boys Golf Team captured the bronze medal at the OFSAA Golf Championship in Leamington, ON. Over two days, **Nolan Piazza, Ben MacLean, John Romak, and Kile Romak** battled cold and windy conditions to get themselves into contention. On the 18th hole on the 2nd day of competition, Nolan birdied and forced a sudden-death playoff for the bronze medal. The boys then teed off on a par 5, where the low score would win the hole. Nolan birdied again to clinch the bronze medal. Great work boys!

## GUIDANCE NEWS

In addition to hosting this year's Ontario Regional University Fair in the gymnasium where students and parents could visit with all 21 university representatives in one easy location, Myer students have had the opportunity to connect with 21 post-secondary institutions during lunch time visits this fall.

College and University applications are well under way and students are encouraged to get their accounts set up well before the Christmas Break. Guidance Counsellors are always available to assist with this on any given day.

There are a record number of students who made the Honour Roll this year. Students will be recognized with a special catered breakfast followed by a Period 1 Assembly in the morning of November 22, 2019. Tickets for the breakfast are to be picked up in Guidance.

## Key Club

The A.N. Myer Key Club is pleased to announce that they have collected \$500 towards their Trick or Treat for UNICEF campaign that will also be sent to support this year's Eastern Canada District of Key Club International's project to support the award-winning NGO – Doctors Without Borders – Médecins sans Frontiers.



## Upcoming Events

- November 18th  
Course Selection for 2020-2021 begins
- November 22nd  
Honour Roll Breakfast
- November 28th  
Grade 8 Open House
- December 21-January 6th  
Winter Break
- Semester 1 Final Exams  
January 23-29.

## Sports Round-up

\*Senior Boys Volleyball are Zone Champions for the 15th consecutive year!

\*Senior Girls Basketball were the Consolation Champions in the DSBN Tournament!

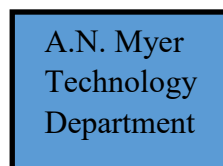
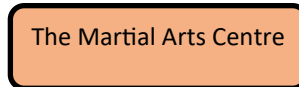
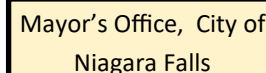
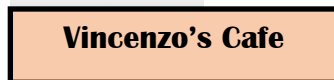
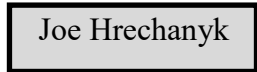
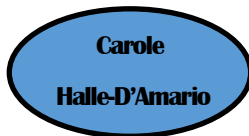
\***Aleksandra and Jovana Paramentic** have advanced to OFSAA for Girls' Tennis!

## Myer Attire

Myer Attire is always available online at [myernation.ca](http://myernation.ca) or on the A.N. Myer home page!

No shipping fees for shipment to the school!

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