



# Colonel By Secondary School

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## A Message from the Principal...



*Colonel By students Shaeta Ahmed and Emily Dong were featured speakers on Korean beauty and fashion at the Korean Cultural Centre.*

12 Dec 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As the end of 2019 approaches, I'll send out a quick update on what's happened, what's happening and what's going to happen at CB!

**Holiday Hampers** - Colonel By is committed to helping people in our community during this holiday season. This week, students are creating holiday hampers and collecting cash donations for the [Caring and Sharing Exchange](#), the [Gloucester Emergency Food](#)

[Cupboard](#) and the [Shepherds of Good Hope](#). If you'd like to help out, consider sending a cash donation to the main office or send any of the following: frozen turkey, canned vegetables, cranberry sauce or gravy, 5lb bag potatoes, 2lb bag of carrots, 2lb bag of onions, boxed stuffing, bag of apples or oranges, boxed cookies, hot chocolate, coffee or tea. **Please note that tomorrow is the last day to drop off your donations.**

**Modified Timetable (Dec 20, 2019)** - Preparations are underway for the annual Holiday Assembly. The assembly will take place in the afternoon. Students who choose not to attend the assembly must be signed out of school by a parent or guardian. This is best accomplished by sending an email to [cbattendance@ocdsb.ca](mailto:cbattendance@ocdsb.ca) Be sure to include: student name, grade and the time that they are signing out.

Please note that the day's schedule will be modified as follows:

December 20, 2019 - Day 2	Start	End
Period 2A	9:15am	9:55am
Period 2B	10:00am	10:45am
Period 2C	10:50am	11:30am
Lunch	11:30am	12:20pm
Period 2D	12:25pm	12:40pm
Assembly	12:50pm	3:00pm
Return to Period 2D	3:00pm	3:15pm

**Hosting International Students** - There are many opportunities and benefits to hosting an international student who is studying at an OCDSB school. Visit the [Canada Homestay Network website](#) or contact CHN directly at [hostinfo@canadahomestaynetwork.ca](mailto:hostinfo@canadahomestaynetwork.ca) or 1-877-441-4443 x2176. Check out the information poster for more info.

[Canada Homestay Poster.pdf](#)

**School Council wants to hear from you!**- School Council would like to get input from parents and guardians in setting priorities for this year's efforts and initiatives. Your voice is important and you are encouraged to [complete this brief survey](#) to share your thoughts. Survey closes on December 20, 2019.

### **CELEBRATING STUDENT SUCCESS**

**Music Department Winter Concert** - On Dec 3rd, Colonel By's musical talent was showcased in their annual winter concert. Performances from our concert band, jazz band and percussion ensemble featured holiday music and a range of soloists. Many thanks to Mr. Gray, Mr. Nurse and Mr. Richardson for their leadership!

**CB students as educational leaders** - Earlier this month, Shaeta Ahmed (grade 12) and Emily Dong (grade 12) presented to 80 of their peers at the Korean Cultural Centre. Their talk about Korean beauty and fashion was very well received! Emily and Shaeta are both candidates for the International Certificate Program and this presentation was a further demonstration of their global-mindedness effective communication skills. To learn more about how your child can join the International Certificate Program, check out the [ICP website](#) and then speak with a guidance counsellor.

**Colonel By's Cappies Review selected for publication**- Colonel By student Eliza Aguhar (grade 11) is one of the Capital Region's Cappies critics. Her recent review of St. Pius X High School's performance of *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* has been selected for publication in an upcoming edition of the Ottawa Citizen.

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Wishing you the very best this holiday season!

Sincerely,

Steve Spidell, Principal

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