

# UGDSB TOGETHER

*Monthly communications updates from the Upper Grand DSB*

## Welcome Back, Students!

It's back to school season! We are excited to welcome and welcome back all students and families to the Upper Grand. To help make the transition back to school smoother for our students and families, we are sharing a website with information about back to school. Important information includes details on transportation, how to connect with your school, student supports, parent/guardian supports, school operations protocols for this year and more. You can gather more back to school information [here \(www.ugdsb.ca/2022\)](http://www.ugdsb.ca/2022).

## School & Board Information

### Letter from the Director: Welcome to the school year!

Dear UGDSB staff, students and families,  
Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! The past few years have been challenging and unsettling. I hope that everyone had a chance this summer to disconnect, recharge and perhaps experience something new or something you have not been able to do for some time. As we head back to class, I am excited to begin working alongside the wonderful staff of the Upper Grand in service of students and families that put their trust in us. One of the things I am particularly excited about this fall is the board's new Multi-Year Plan that provides us with a unifying purpose, an ambitious vision and sets the direction for our actions over the next four years.

**Our Purpose:** To inspire a love of learning and develop engaged, globally literate citizens.

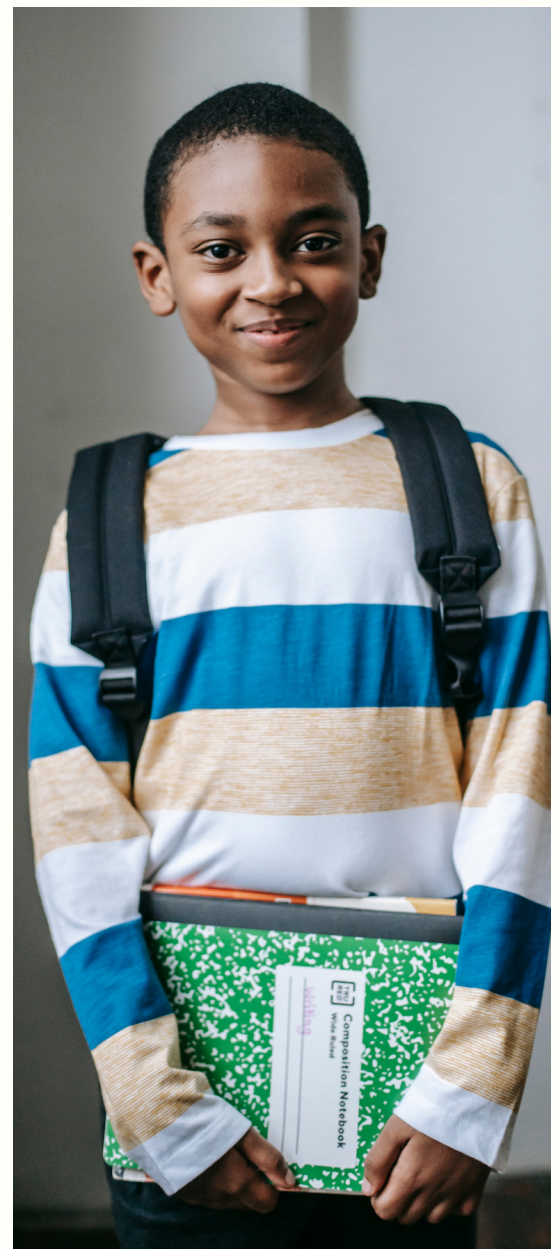
**Our Vision:** To be recognized as leaders in creating unparalleled, agile, and inclusive learning experiences for all.

Our Key Pillars:

- Foundational education and student achievement,
- Inspiring a lifelong love of learning,
- Championing health and well-being,
- Ensuring equity of access and outcomes, and
- Leading through sustainability.

I look forward to working together with you this school year as we continue to re-engage, re-refresh and re-imagine UGDSB and take the necessary steps toward realizing this vision!

Peter Sovran  
Director of Education





## Policy updates

For all UGDSB policies visit [www.ugdsb.ca/policy](http://www.ugdsb.ca/policy)

The following policies have been approved:

- [Policy 100 - Policy Management](#)

Don't forget to visit our website for all [UGDSB policies](#) as well as [protocols and procedures manuals](#). When policies are up for review and revision we will notify you on this website.

## News around the UGDSB

*Brant Avenue PS teacher and student receive awards for school safety*

Brant Avenue PS teacher Robb Graham was selected as the Ontario-wide 2022 CAA School Safety Patrol Supervisor of the Year. Mr. Graham was also named as the Guelph Police Service Patrol Supervisor of the Year. Brant Avenue PS student Dilnaaz was also named the recipient of the Guelph Police Service Patroller of the Year Award. Read the full story [here](#).

*GCVI IBDP class of 2022 exceeds world average*

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) class of 2022 at Guelph Collegiate Vocational Institute has, once again, exceeded the IB world average and scored impressive results. In addition to these results, GCVI's IB students were also leaders throughout the two-year program, having an impact on local and global issues. The success of the IB students and admirable results reflect the dedication of the IB staff and students at GCVI. Read the full story [here](#).



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