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High School Book Guide 2020-2021



Time to choose your high school

Starting to explore secondary school options can begin as early as Grade 5, but it doesn't have to be daunting. The earlier you know about all of your options, the better equipped you'll be to make the right choice when admission dates come around.

We have prepared this guide for parents starting their approach into the world of secondary education. Here you will find a snapshot of what each of our mainstream high schools has to offer: What are the programs they excel in? What sets them apart? What are their extra-curricular activities that go such a long way in enriching the life of a high school student?

As you'll see, the English Montreal School Board (EMSB) has a wide array of secondary school options for students all across the island of Montreal (see the map on p. 4). Whether you are choosing a school close to home or across town, or favor a certain academic, arts or sports program, this booklet will give you a snapshot of what we have to offer. Social media sources are also listed, and we encourage you to consult these, as well as the school's website, to get a more intimate sense of the school.

Each EMSB high school follows the Quebec Ministry of Education curriculum, but they have the freedom to enrich their offering through a variety of different special programs. For example, some schools offer a range of French instruction levels. Others offer a concentration in sports, arts or music. Some are designed for students who require a smaller school setting or special training for the workforce.

A variety of non-traditional study paths are also offered to students in our schools. These range from specialized board-level initiatives such as physical literacy and numeracy literacy programs, and STEAM, to provincial government programs such as Sport-études and the Work-Oriented Training Pathway programs. Let's not forget the internationally recognized ones such as the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program and the Advanced Placement Program. Indeed, families have a wealth of choice at the EMSB.

We hope you find this booklet helpful. Please note that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all open houses will be done virtually this year. Please go to www.emsbopenhouses.com for details.



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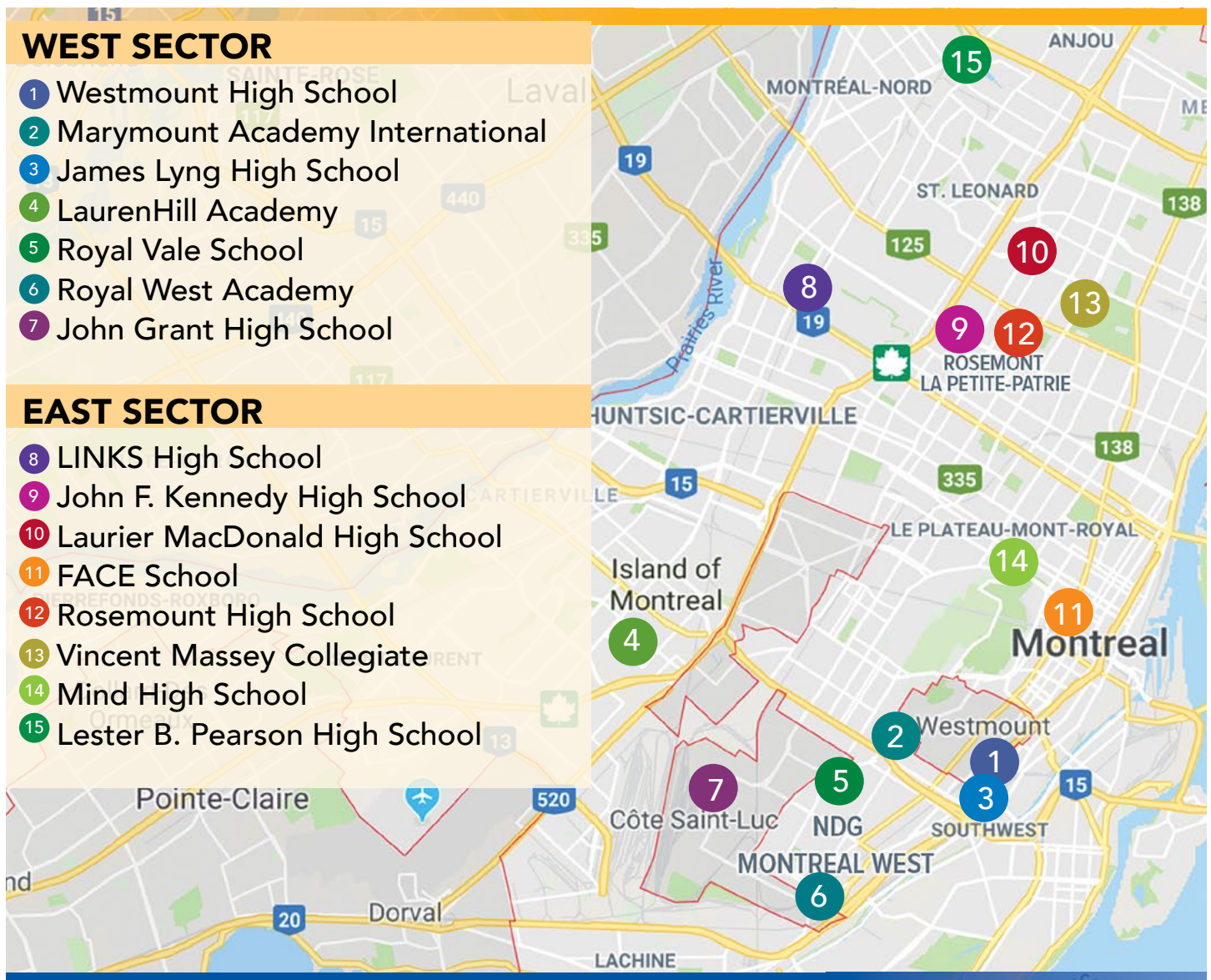
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Welcome to our world of high school

The English Montreal School Board network of secondary schools, spread across the island of Montreal, offers a variety of excellent programs for students in Secondary 1 to V (grades 7 to 11). In addition to programs that encourage academic inquiry, we offer a variety of sports and extra-curricular activities. We also provide first-rate counselling and other personal, health and educational support to our student population to enrich the life of adolescents as they engage in this next stage of learning. Our secondary level French programs continue to extend and exceed the Quebec Ministry of Education standards. Full cafeteria services are offered in most schools.

EMSB High School Map



James Lyng High School



Located in St. Henri, James Lyng High School prides itself on providing students with access to as many resources as they need. As a community hub, it offers different pathways to success for youth, their families, and the South-West borough at large. James Lyng welcomes students of all abilities and aims to foster a shift in the delivery of curriculum to better meet the interests of our students, to validate the experiences and culture of urban youth, and to increase our student's direct involvement in their own academic progression. The school attracts non-traditional learners by providing cross-curricular collaborations based in the arts, placing an emphasis on learning by doing.



5440 Notre-Dame W. St., Montreal, QC H4C 1T9
514.846.8814

Public transportation options

Bus lines: 191, 36, 37.

Metro: Place St. Henri, Vendôme

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Focus programs

- Urban Arts program
- Professional audio-visual recording studio for music and video production and writing
- Student-run art gallery
- Screen press for school uniform design
- Custom bike shop
- STEAM MakerSpace
- Leadership program, including camp
- Homework program
- Supporting All Individual Learners (SAIL)


Extra or co-curricular activities

- Writing Our Rhymes Down (WORD) hip-hop literacy
- Yearly school-wide theatre and other artistic productions
- Multi-cultural cooking clubs (full kitchen)
- Woodworking club (full woodshop)
- Robotics club
- Green club
- G.E.M.S. club (Girls Empowered and Motivated to Succeed)
- Self esteem club
- Basketball team



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John Grant High School



Students who have experienced significant academic or developmental delays are referred to John Grant by the student's current in-school professionals. John Grant's dedicated school team meets with each student and their family at case conferences in the spring and fall to see if the fit is right. A personalized school tour can be arranged to learn more.

John Grant High School is an alternative high school serving students who learn differently. Following a modified curriculum, students are exposed to a variety of hands-on programming aimed at fostering independence, self-confidence and responsibility; reinforcing functional academics; improving literacy and numeracy; and developing life and work skills. Through exploring their talents and interests, students work towards earning a MEES certificate in the Work-oriented training pathway (WOTP) program or an EMSB certificate in the Challenges (DÉFIS) program. They benefit from partnerships between the school and local organizations and businesses that allow them to participate in meaningful activities and work-placements.



Focus programs

- Competency-Based Approach to Social
- Work-Oriented Training Pathway (WOTP) program
- Modified Academic Program (MAP)
- Challenges (DÉFIS) program)
- Autonomy Preparation Program (APP)

Extra or co-curricular activities




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| • Student-run cafeteria | programs |
| • Woodworking and entrepreneurship | • Hair salon and fashion show |
| • Visual arts club, music program and concert, dance and performance | • Volunteering and advocacy |
| • Intramural sports and fitness | • Mock apartment and pet care |
| | • Digital literacy and media smarts |



5785 Parkhaven Ave. Côte St-Luc, QC H4W 1X8
514.484.4161

Public transportation options

Bus lines: 104, 138, 161, 162
Metro: Plamondon (then bus 161)

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LaurenHill Academy



The only English Montreal School Board school in Ville St. Laurent, LaurenHill Academy has both a junior campus (Grades 7 and 8) and a senior campus (Grades 9, 10 and 11). These campuses are in close proximity. LaurenHill is committed to providing an environment in which students are motivated to achieve academic excellence in preparation for the challenges and expectations of an evolving society.



Junior Campus: 514.331.8019
2355 Decelles St., Ville St. Laurent, QC H4R 1P3
Senior Campus: 514.331.8781
2505 Côte-Vertu Blvd. Ville St. Laurent, QC H4R 1P3

Public transportation options

Bus lines: 16, 72, 121 128 371
Metro: Côte Vertu

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Focus programs

- French programs: Français langue seconde (programme de base), Français enrichi and Français, langue d'enseignement
- Arts Program
- Dance Program
- Drama Program
- Music Program
- STEAM
- Cycle One Allongé (as recommended by elementary school)

Extra or co-curricular activities

- Junior Campus Student Council
- LHA Radio the Voice
- Campus Store
- Robotics Club



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Marymount Academy International



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Focus programs

- Cycle One Allongé
- STEP Resource Centre
- Enriched Math, Science & Technology
- French programs: Français langue seconde (programme de base and Immersion -programme locale), Français langue seconde – Intégration (international)
- Visual Arts and Multimedia

Extra or co-curricular activities

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| • Art exposition | • Yearbook |
| • Chess club | • Bike club |
| • Cultural show | • Science fair |
| • School events coordination | • Senior concert band |
| • IB council | • Steel pan band |
| • Student council | • Intramural floor hockey |
| • Cooking club | • Music concerts |
| • Junior and senior public speaking | • Many sports teams |

Marymount Academy International, located in the NDG-Côte des Neiges district, is a school made up of youth from a variety of socio-economic, cultural and ethnic backgrounds. As an International Baccalaureate (Middle Years Program) school, it strives to make its students critical thinkers, global citizens and life-long learners. Students can choose from a vast array of clubs in the arts, sports teams and leadership groups to satisfy the requirements of the compulsory extra-curricular program. STEP Marymount is a unique program designed to provide enrichment and resource support to its student community.




5100 Côte St. Luc Rd., Montreal, QC H3G 2W9
514.488.8144

Public transportation options

Bus lines: 103, 162, 24 and 66
Metro: Villa Maria



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 Marymount Academy

Royal Vale School



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Royal Vale School, located in NDG, is an Immersion Kindergarten to Grade 11 school, with a math and science focus. It stands apart with a program that includes French Immersion, Math/Science curriculum, critical thinking skill development, acceptance, democratic values, extra-curricular activities and promoting leadership roles. The school's philosophy stresses the cooperation and recognition for excellence, lateral enrichment, learning through discovery, manipulation and experimentation, and application of knowledge.

Focus programs

- Enriched Math, Science & Technology
- French Immersion
- Pre Advanced Placement and Accelerated Math Program
- Music concentration
- Sports concentration
- Dance concentration
- Drama concentration
- Optional grade level trips

Extra or co-curricular activities

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| • Annual math competition | • Dance |
| • Student Leadership Program | • Drama Club |
| • Student Life Group | • Fencing Club |
| • Science fairs | • Games Club |
| • Advanced Robotics | • Gardening Club |
| • Numerous sports teams including basketball, cross-country running, golf and more | • Glee Club |
| • Bike Club | • Library Volunteers |
| • Cooking Club | • Peer Tutoring Program |
| • Crafting for the Soul | • Photography |
| | • Band |
| | • Yearbook Committee |



5851 Somerled Ave., Montreal, QC H3X 2A5
514.481.2463

Public transportation options

Bus lines: 51, 66, 102
Metro: Villa Maria

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Royal West Academy



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Situated in Montreal West, Royal West Academy (RWA) is an alternative high school for students committed to academic achievement. It has limited enrolment with admissions granted in Grade 7 by application and qualifying examination results. It fosters bilingualism, computer literacy, an appreciation of the arts, an understanding of social issues and a sense of community responsibilities. RWA also has a strong French program, offering both immersion and French mother tongue courses. A mandatory extra-curricular activity program offers options in the arts, sports and leadership development.



189 Easton Ave., Montreal West, QC H4X 1L4
514.489.8454

Public transportation options

Commuter train: Montreal West station
Bus lines: 51, 90, 105, 162, 123

Focus programs

- Français, langue d'enseignement
- Français, langue maternelle
- Accelerated Math Program including Pre-calculus and Calculus
- Music program at all levels.
- Visual Arts and Drama programs
- Educational Technology and programming
- Large number of electives in Technology, Science, the Arts and Psychology
- Leadership and Leisure courses

Extra or co-curricular activities

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| • Honour Band | • Dance show |
| • Jazz Band | • Variety show |
| • Marching Band | • Sound/Light Club |
| • Environment Committee | • Student Leadership Association |
| • Social Justice | • Prefect Board |
| • Athletic teams | • Junior and Senior Robotics |
| • Shakespeare group | |
| • Musical | |



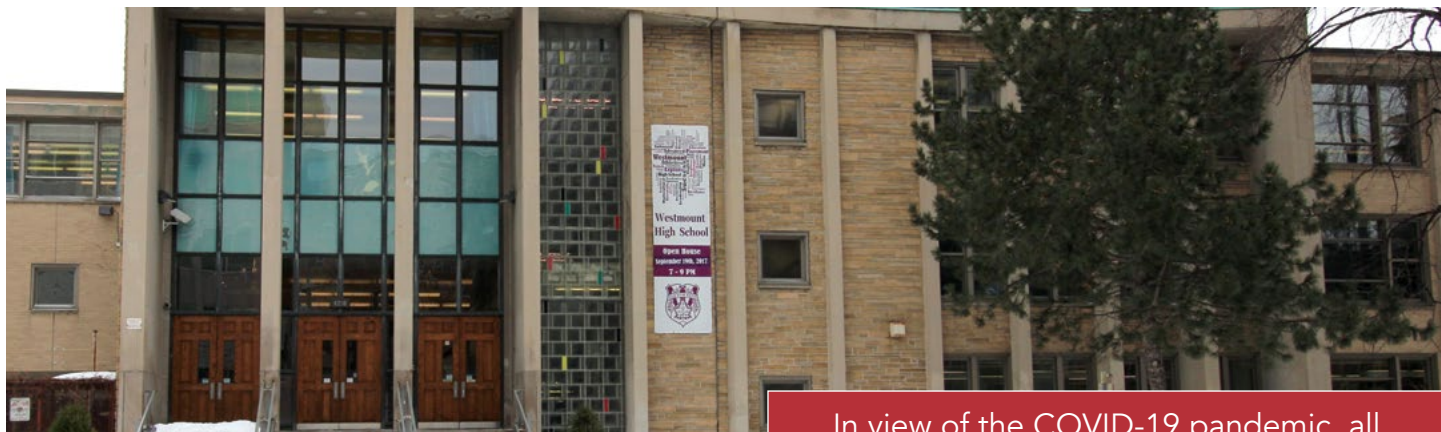
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Westmount High School



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Established in 1873, Westmount High School is the first public school in Quebec to offer courses from the College Board's Advanced Placement® Program. This internationally recognized curriculum allows students to obtain university-level credit while simultaneously attaining their Quebec high school diploma. We encourage each of our students to develop their qualities and capabilities to the highest standard of excellence. We are dedicated to the enrichment of our students by promoting critical thinking through transformational learning experiences in a safe, meaningful and engaging environment.



4350 St. Catherine St. W., Westmount, QC H3Z 1R1
514.933.2701

Public transportation options

Bus lines: 90 and 63

Metro: Atwater and Vendôme

Focus programs

- French Immersion and Core English Programs
- College Board Advanced Placement® courses including: English Literature & Composition, Psychology, Comparative Government and Politics, and pre-AP Art and Design
- Advanced Math and Science Stream, incl. AP Calculus and AP Environmental Science
- Elective courses including: Philosophy, consumer science, woodworking and E.C.H.O
- Dynamic Arts Program in all levels: Visual arts, music, drama and media arts
- Cycle 1 Robotics

Extra or co-curricular activities

- Prefect Board
- Student Council
- Student Leadership
- Robotics
- Yearbook Committee
- WHS Europe Trip
- Athletic teams incl.: Basketball, hockey, indoor and outdoor soccer, flag football, volleyball, curling, track & field
- Arts clubs incl.: Jazz band, dance club, drama productions, improv. club, variety shows, photography



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FACE School



FACE is known for its Fine Arts Program with the goal to assist students in their development and help them thrive. The arts are an excellent learning ground for developing personal discipline, determination and a sense of achievement and self-confidence. Students are from both the English Montreal School Board and the Commission Scolaire de Montréal and follow classes in their mother tongues, however they are grouped together for instrumental music and vocal classes and for extracurricular and social activities.



3449 University St., Montreal, QC H3A 2A8
514.350.8899

Public transportation options

Bus lines: 24, 61, 125, 168 and 356
Metro: Peel and Place des Arts

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Focus programs


- Fine Arts Program with the following disciplines: Visual arts, theatre/drama, vocal music, instrumental music and dance.
- French: French Second Language and Enriched (new in grade 7)
- Enriched Math and Science

Extra or co-curricular activities

- Jazz Band
- Symphony Orchestra
- Ensemble Con Brio
- Green Club
- Science Fair
- Sports (basketball, soccer, futsal, etc.)
- Midi-Jazz
- Midi-Pop
- Boys' Choir
- Theatre
- Field trips to museums and theatres
- Dance classes
- FACE young singers



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John F. Kennedy High School



John F. Kennedy High School is a respectful, inclusive and nurturing environment. It offers a competitive and stimulating academic program that is supported by a tremendous resource program. The building itself is outfitted with high quality facilities. Outstanding extra-curricular activities offer students an opportunity to actively engage in their learning. Enrichment is offered in English, French, science and math. Media arts and technology is offered from Secondary 1 to Secondary 5. The Aim High Program is designed to achieve success for students who may have experienced challenges, and helps support students transitioning from elementary school to high school.



3030 Villeray St. East, Montreal, QC H2A 1E7
514.374.1449

Public transportation options

Bus lines: 41, 67, 99, 357 and 476
Metro: St. Michel

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Focus programs

- Aim High
- Work-Oriented Training Pathway (WOTP)
- French Enrichment
- Scientific Math and Advanced Science
- Computer Technology Integration
- Intensive Media Courses, Sec. 1 to 5
- Athletic Leadership
- Media Arts Path
- Science Path

Extra or co-curricular activities

- Cheerleading
- Student Council
- Robotics Club
- Music Club
- Art Club
- Chess Club
- Cooking Club
- Public Speaking/ Story Telling Competitions
- Yearbook/ Film Club
- School Dances
- Variety Show/ Fashion Show
- Hockey Program
- Trips and Outings at all levels
- Rock School



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Laurier Macdonald High School



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Focus programs

- International Baccalaureate-Middle Years Program
- Français, langue d'enseignement
- Accelerated math offering Calculus in Secondary 5
- STEAM program
- Resource - support for special needs

Extra or co-curricular activities

- Intra- and inter-mural sports teams
- Clubs and activities
- Leadership opportunities
- Robotics
- Cultural trips (local and international)
- Humanitarian trip

Laurier Macdonald is a Secondary 1 to 5 high school offering the International Baccalaureate program and philosophy at the heart of its curriculum. Students can expect to be supported to achieve high levels of academic success. There is also an emphasis on nurturing students to become active and contributing members of society through the exploration of multiple literacies, developing partnerships through our Community Learning Center and giving back to the community through community service.







7355 Viau Blvd, St. Léonard, QC H1S 3C2
514.374.6000

Public transportation options

STM Bus lines: 136, 141, 188
Express from Rivière des Prairies 449
Express from East 141
Express from West 136



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Lester B. Pearson High School



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Focus programs

- Sport-études and Honours Sport-études
- Honours math and science
- AP courses (Psychology and Macro Economics)
- Third language option (Spanish/Italian)
- Français, langue maternelle
- Allongé Program (new)

Extra or co-curricular activities

- Student Council
- Gender-Sexuality Alliance
- Random Acts of Kindness Squad (RAK Squad)
- Leadership activities
- Annual math competition
- GMAA sports
- International trips
- Variety show
- School dances
- Chess
- Yearbook
- Urban gardening and beehive

Lester B. Pearson High School stresses the development of the whole person. This includes the moral, intellectual, physical, emotional, aesthetic, social and cultural development. We aim to produce a bilingual, socially-conscious graduate aware of civic duties and responsibilities. Through regular academic programs, special education or enriched programs, each student is educated, socialized and challenged to fulfill his/her potential. The school's ultimate goal is to prepare each student to make a significant contribution to society through his/her chosen path.



11575 P.M Favier St., Montreal North, QC H1G 6E5
514.328.4442

Public transportation options

Lester B. Pearson has an agreement with the STM to provide special busses for their students.


Bus lines: 32 Lacordaire; 33 Langelier; 48 Perras; 49 Maurice-Duplessis; 469 Express Henri-Bourassa
Train: St. Léonard – Montréal-Nord Station



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LINKS High School



LINKS High School is an alternative high school for students who have special needs. Its mission is to ensure the maximum growth and development of each student academically, morally, socially and culturally in order to achieve personal independence in society. Having specialized programs leading to certificates in DÉFIS and WOTP, LINKS helps students focus on functional academics, life skills and preparation for the job market.



9905 Papineau St., Montreal North, QC H2B 1Z9
514.723.2845

Public transportation options

Bus lines: 41, 45, 121, 359, 378

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Focus programs

- Modified Academic Program (MAP)
- Challenges Program (DÉFIS)
- Competency-Based Approach to Social Participation (CASP) Program
- Autonomy Preparation Program (APP)
- Work-Oriented Training Pathway (WOTP)

Extra or co-curricular activities

- Student-run cafeteria
- House system
- Dance therapy
- Field trips
- Sports club
- Zootherapy
- Mentoring
- After School Program



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MIND High School



MIND high school, which stands for “Moving in New Directions,” is an inclusive school that welcomes students of all sexual orientations, backgrounds and traditions. Students entering grades 9, 10 and 11 are eligible to apply for acceptance. It is a diverse and accepting school, which nurtures abilities and fosters development, self-confidence, courage and convictions. MIND was founded on a student-centered approach. Through class discussions and debates, students are encouraged to defend a position regarding various subjects in ethics and world history, among others. It is a school that focuses on critical thinking, analysis, research, and making a case through essay-writing, presentations, research papers and a science fair.



4563 St. Urbain St. (4th floor) Montreal, QC H2T 2V9
514.842.0792

Public transportation options

Bus line: 55

Metro: Mont-Royal

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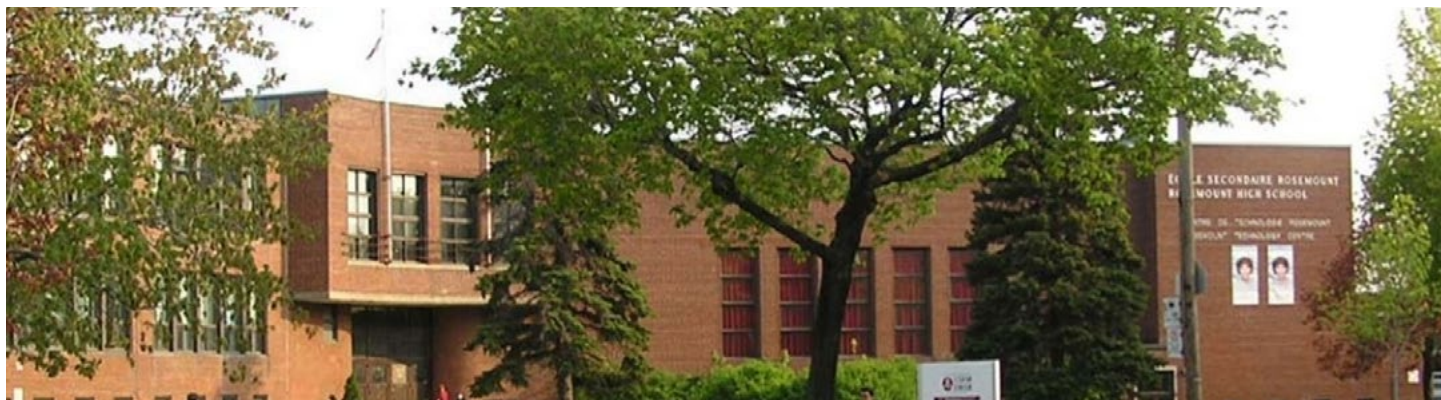
Focus programs

- Third-language option (German, Russian)
- Communications & Media
- Asian studies
- Philosophy
- Music, performing arts, visual arts programming
- Strong science program
- Diversity in teaching program, including pop culture and counter-cultures, various movements in history such as German expressionism, romanticism, surrealism, Sufi poetry.



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Rosemount High School



Rosemount High School is located in the Rosemont-La Petite Patrie borough. In addition to the regular academic curriculum, it offers an enriched French program as well as a specialized music concentration program. The school also stands out for its junior school model within the school, teaching through a Universal Design for Learning approach, the student business program in Secondary 3 and 4, as well as its athletics programs. Students learn in an environment conducive for becoming responsible, productive and bilingual members of society.

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Focus programs

- Specialized music program
- Student business program
- Enriched French program
- RHS Athletic program

Extra or co-curricular activities

- Video game programming club
- Chess club
- Open gyms
- Drumline
- Stage band
- Symphonic winds
- Open art studio



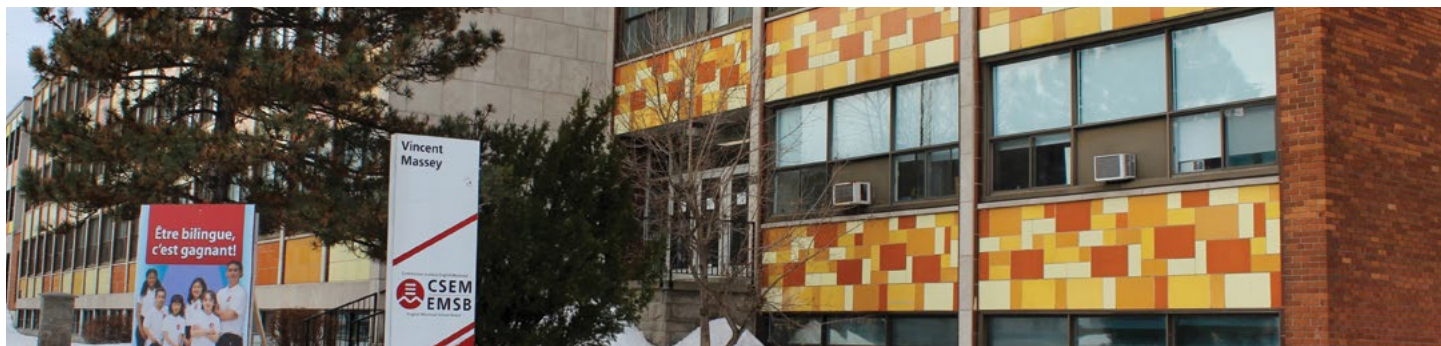
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514.376.4720

Public transportation options

Bus lines: 18, 439, 139

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Vincent Massey Collegiate



Vincent Massey Collegiate, located in the Rosemount borough in proximity to the Botanical Gardens, has the primary mission of developing well-rounded students committed to academic achievement and a sense of community responsibility. An entrance examination is required for admission. An enriched and structured CEGEP preparatory program is the basis of its program, which is designed to respond to the needs of the above-average student and further develop each student's capacity to achieve at the highest level.

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Focus programs

- Enriched academic programs
- Français, langue d'enseignement
- Français, langue maternelle
- Accelerated Math Program including Precalculus and Calculus I & II
- Enrichment in all subject areas
- Community service program







5925 27th Ave., Montreal, QC H1T 3J5
514.374.1999

Public transportation options

Metro: Pie IX

Bus lines: RDP bus line 44 (Galeries D'Anjou) or 449 (Radisson Metro); Express bus departing Vincent Massey Collegiate to RDP at 3 pm; Laval bus line 197 Pie IX

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