

Student Success at Northeastern Catholic District School Board



Glenn Sheculski, Program Principal for Northeastern Catholic District School Board, is actively working at ensuring "Student Success" for each student in our schools. This initiative celebrates individuality while striving to reach each student's full academic and character potential. Mr. Sheculski recently visited grade eight students at O'Gorman Intermediate Catholic School to promote the importance of Literacy and Numeracy. Each student was given a highlighter/ruler tool to further enhance proper studying techniques.

Link Crew Program is launched at O'Gorman High School

The Link Crew program aims to ease the transition for grade 9 students in their new secondary school and provide a structure in which students will make a real connection with each other. New students will learn from the beginning of their secondary education that people at school care about them and their success.

"The school is currently in the Link Leader Selection process of the program. Current grade 10 and 11 students will be selected through a prescribed process to act as mentors for next year's grade 9 students. After their selection, these students will be trained to run the program which is a series of activities designed to teach a lesson and to allow team building skills to be nurtured. I am confident that this will not only be a transition program for the grade 9 students but a school changing program that will develop leadership skills for all students involved.," Stated Doug Basso. Mr. Basso is the Link Crew Coordinator for O'Gorman High School which is currently the only school in North Eastern Ontario to formally embrace the Link Crew program.

John D'Alessandri, Principal of O'Gorman High School, added, "The grade nine students will feel more connected through this initiative and they will benefit from the guidance of the Link Crew Student Leaders. There is no doubt that this program will permeate in a positive way throughout the entire school." "



Link Crew Objectives:

- ▶ Empower grade 11 and 12 students as role models and motivators for new students
- ▶ Increase academic success
- ▶ Develop leadership skills
- ▶ Create supportive and positive atmosphere
- ▶ Allow Link Crew Student Leaders to pass on positive traditions to new students

"Link Crew will welcome grade 9 students in the O'Gorman family and show them our school spirit. We will be able to help them academically and socially." Darquise, grade 11 student

