March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010

Dear Parents / Guardians:

On Thursday, April 8th, 2010 all schools in Ontario will participate in the writing of the **Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT)**. In order to ensure that our first time writers and our previously eligible students have as great an opportunity for success as possible, we will be altering our regular school day.

• <u>Only</u> the following students will report to school at 8:45 a.m. and classes will begin at 8:55 a.m. Students will begin writing the test at 9:00 a.m. sharp.

 $\checkmark$  All Grade 10 students.

- $\checkmark$  Grade 11 & 12 students <u>who have not</u> been successful in completing the test.
- The test will be written in two 75 minute blocks with a 15 minute break between the two sessions.
- The test will be completed by 11:45 a.m.
- From 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., a light lunch will be provided for all students who are writing the test.
- The school day will begin for all other students at 12:49 p.m.
- For the remainder of the day, students will be attending classes (shortened periods). The schedule will be as follows:

Period 112:49 p.m. to 1:21 p.m.Period 21:24 p.m. to 1:56 p.m.Period 31:59 p.m. to 2:31 p.m.Period 42:34 p.m. to 3:06 p.m.

- We would ask that students who are not writing wait until 12:25 p.m. to attend school. However, **<u>if due to transportation issues</u>** your child is required to attend school at the regular time, we will be providing a supervised area for them.
- Students not writing the test will not have access to the main part of the school as all classes, including the library, will be used for the test.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you,

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Principal

Student Success Teacher