

February Student Trustee Board Report

Update from the Student Trustees:



- David and JoyGold attended OSTA-AECO's education action conference in Ottawa. It was a great event where they were able to partake in professional development and network with other student trustees from across the province.
- JoyGold has been working with her Advocacy Interest Group to provide post-secondary students with transitional information through post-elementary projects.
- David and JoyGold both supported the Director of Social Affairs, Lorena, and Director of Equity, Ruben during CSLIT's mental health de-stress night. It was a great opportunity to meet other students and relieve stress after first semester exams.
- David met with Superintendent Caccamo and Associate Director of Education Adrien Dela Morra to discuss how we can encourage students to make their mental health a priority.
- David held his February cabinet meeting with 9 student trustees from across the province. They worked on their ongoing projects and began outreach to northern school boards.

CSLIT EXECUTIVE TEAM:

Charity:

- The Directors of Charity, Kayla, and Dennise, are busy adding more charity events for the TCDSB students.

- Their subcommittee keeps growing.
- Dennise has met with Arlene from ShareLife to brainstorm ways to get more students involved in Sharelife initiatives.
- They're also excited that more schools have started their own A-Teams to support the Angel Foundation which was one of their main goals. The A-Team pitch day is on Feb. 23 where 16 schools will be pitching their school improvement ideas to a group of investors for a chance to win money to help support their action plan.
- Dennise is putting a lot of effort into her own A-Team at Monsignor Fraser College. They too are getting ready for Pitch Day at the CEC. It will be a great opportunity for schools to come together and share ideas.

Equity:

- Ruben co-hosted CSLIT's *Self-Care Movie Night* alongside the Director of Social Affairs and it was a success! Ruben and a member of his subcommittee presented various self-care activities that students can implement within their daily routines and throughout the school year.
- Ruben's subcommittee is currently planning various activities for Black History Month. This includes weekly social media posts which will highlight various aspects of Black History and African Culture. They are also planning different activities for our upcoming General Assembly in February.
- Ruben also co-emceed two of the 5 iLITE conferences to provide support for the Co-Directors of ECSLIT

Social Justice:

- Darwin and his subcommittee are currently planning various initiatives geared towards addressing the 2023–2024 CSLIT Pillars of Focus.
- Darwin is actively collaborating with other directors to organize activities for the March General Assembly. A key focus of their efforts is to secure a guest speaker well-versed in social justice and activism. They are looking for a speaker that can help raise awareness among students about prevalent injustices both locally and globally while inspiring students to get involved to address such issues.
- Darwin and his subcommittee are organizing a social justice event aimed at providing students with insights into the concept of social justice, highlighting local and global injustices, and offering practical ways to contribute to positive causes.

Faith:

- The Director of Faith is currently planning on helping to host an Interfaith Youth Alliance Movement (IYAM) event later this month at the CEC with assistance from student and staff from Madonna Secondary School, the Mary Ward Centre, and the Religion and Family life team.
- The Director of Faith is also in the process of organizing having 100+ student leaders attend the *Lift Jesus Higher Rally* which will take place in early March.
- The Director of Faith is leading all CSLIT events in prayer.

ECSLIT:

- Co-Directors Mayumi Chua and Stephnie Perera Gunawardane hosted the 5 consecutive Intermediate Leaders in Training Events otherwise known as

iLITE. These elementary student leadership conferences took place from Tuesday, January 29th to Monday, February 5th at Monsignor Percy Johnson, Bishop Marrocco Thomas Merton, St. Mother Teresa, and twice at the CEC.

- Our elementary leadership team and our moderator Mr. Michael Consul are extremely proud of turn out. In total, 68 elementary schools with 2516 students, 106 teachers, and 90+ volunteers participated from Etobicoke to Scarborough. Former Toronto Argonaut Orlando Bowen was the keynote speaker whose powerful message of courage and forgiveness touched everyone in attendance. Each conference also featured various workshops (86 in total across all 5 events), a student talent show which ended in a performance from *Breaking Canada* who will be representing our country in the Paris Olympic games.
- Highlights and recaps of the iLITE tour can be found on the ECSLIT, CSLIT and Catholic Student Leadership Instagram pages.
- Mayumi and Stephnie are currently planning the next ECSLIT monthly meeting happening on February 20th, 4:30-6:30 at the CEC which will have a Black History Month theme.
- The elementary overnight Camp Olympia leadership experience information meetings are also happening this month. There are 3 elementary dates in total. May 5-7, May 8-10, and May 13-15.

Public Relations:

- PR has been helping ECSLIT with promoting iLITE through Instagram

- Vichy and Faizat have taken multiple videos of each day at iLITE. Through this, they were able to create a total of 6 well-received recap videos (one per day and one highlighting the full event).
- PR has worked closely with the Director of Social Affairs and Equity to promote their movie night
- Faizat and Vichy continue to work closely with our moderator Michael Consul to better promote CSLIT, as well as utilize other social media platforms to reach a wider audience.

Administrative Affairs:

- Catholic Student Leadership apparel is now available to purchase. All proceeds will be donated to the Angel Foundation for Learning.
- Ralph has been managing orders for Catholic Student Leadership apparel from iLITE and other CSLIT events. We haven't even promoted the opportunity on social media yet and close to 100 items have been sold.
- Ralph continues to work closely with the Student Trustees and Michael Consul in preparation for CSLIT's February General Assembly

Social Affairs:

- Alongside the Equity Subcommittee, the Social Affairs Subcommittee organized a successful Self-Care movie night on Wednesday, February 7th.
- As well, the subcommittee has also organized a valentines initiative called *CSLIT's Lovebugs*. This initiative allows students to send each other positive messages to friends within their own school and other schools. This initiative aligns with CSLIT's mental health pillar.