

Massey-Vanier High School encompasses a diverse community that faces unique challenges and provides many opportunities. We endeavor to provide each student with the knowledge and qualifications needed to succeed, while advancing his or her academic, personal, social, physical and moral development.

Massey-Vanier High School
224 Mercier Street
Cowansville, QC J2K 5C3
(450) 263-3772

2009-2010
Levels 1-5

Hours of instruction: 9:05 a.m. – 3:40 p.m.



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School Community Information

<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	Thomas Hamer
<u>VICE-PRINCIPALS</u>	Julie Edwards Dianne Baillie
<u>SCHOOL SECRETARIES</u>	Jean Beattie Dorothy Czachor Shelley Jetté
<u>STUDENT SERVICES</u>	Marie Cloutier Bernard Messier Sandra Neil Maude Larose

About our School

Massey-Vanier High School is located in Cowansville and draws its students from as far west as the Richelieu River, east as Eastman, south as the U.S. border and north as Roxton Falls.

Facilities:
The school has extensive facilities including:

- 800 seat auditorium
- 100 seat video room
- Music room
- Dance studio
- Drama room
- ITT workshops
- Science labs
- Library
- 3 large gymnasiums
- Pool, arena, sports fields, tennis courts
- 2 drop-in centers (game rooms)
- Student Assistance Centre
- Student services
- 1200 seat cafeteria

Student Enrolment: 889
Number of Staff: 88

Governing Board / Parents Participation Organization

Chair: Mrs. Wendy Neil

The Massey-Vanier Governing Board members consist of eight parents, six teachers, one support staff, one professional staff, two community representatives, two students and the Principal.

Parent Participation Organization

Chair: There was no PPO for this year

Learning at our School

Academic Programs

Curriculum Programs

- French Immersion
- Team Teaching Model Cycle I
- French Second Language
Regular / Enriched Programs
- Mathematics
Regular / Enriched Programs
- Science
Regular / Enriched Programs
- Technology (ITT + options)
- Language Arts
Regular / Enriched Programs
- Social Studies
- Music, Art, Dance, Drama
- Physical Education
- Moral Instruction
- Journalism, Digital Media
- Home Economics

Alternative Programs

PACE (Special Education)
Lifeskills (Multi-Handicapped)
Work Oriented Pathways

Student Assistance Centre

Tutorials
ASAP (At School Assistance Program)
Academic Resource Support
One to One Support
Small Group Support
Homework Support
Group Home Support
Evaluation Special Considerations

Co-Curricular Programs

- Soccer
- Basketball
- Badminton
- Hockey
- Football
- Rugby
- Floor Hockey
- Volleyball
- Mush ball
- Tennis
- Golf
- Swimming
- Wrestling
- School Band
- Yearbook
- Cross-Country Running
- Drama Productions
- School-to-Work
- Job Shadowing
- Fundraising Activities
- Kaleidoscope
- Talent Show
- SADD
- Human Rights Group
- Art Club
- Home Economics Club
- Prom Committee
- Student Trips:
Montreal – Level I
Quebec City – Level II
Boston – Level III
Toronto / Niagara Falls – Level IV
New York City – Level V
Stratford - Levels III/IV/V
Europe –Levels IV/V

School Events

Terry Fox Marathon, School Play, Language Arts Festival, Intramural Sports, Math Competition, Community Volunteering, Remembrance Day Ceremony, Christmas and Spring Concerts, Christmas Activity Day, Kaleidoscope, Graduation Ceremonies, Prom, Science Fair, Public Speaking Competition, Winter Carnival, School Dances, Academic Awards, Athletic Awards Dinner, Fundraising Events, Yearbook, Friends of Massey-Vanier Golf Tournament...

HOW WE KNOW WE ARE SUCCEEDING

Statistics On Student Dropouts And Certification

School Year	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010
Number of students on September 30	966	979	935	916	889
Number of leavers who do not register in another school	56	57	45	46	25
Percentage of September 30 th enrolment who drop out during the year	5.8	5.8	4.8	5.0	2.8
Number of students in Secondary 5	141	158	163	149	192
Number of Secondary 5 students who graduate by year's end (including August supplemental writers)	100	132	128	115	
Number of the above Secondary 5 students who obtain High School Certification by end of following school year	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Percentage of Secondary 5 students with High School Diplomas 12 months after end of Sec 5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

Massey-Vanier High School continues to improve in concert with the implementation of the Quebec Education Program at cycle 1, and the continuation of The Dennis McCullough Initiative - Enhanced Learning Strategy. Massey-Vanier is working hard to restructure our school to facilitate improved student learning. Secondary 1 & 2 students (cycle 1) will continue to benefit from the cross-curricular team approach, which facilitates the building of closer relationships between student and teacher as well as among students. This approach allows for the introduction of common approaches to learning and increased communication among teachers who share the same students.

Cycle II Secondary will be undergoing a complete re-engineering with respect to instruction, assessment, evaluation, and requirements for graduation. The introduction of the QEP has facilitated a shift in approach to student learning and student success as we evolve to meet the needs of the student of the 21st century. The changes to the *Basic School Regulation* will now enable students to choose a course of study and path of accreditation that best fits his/her career or academic choices after high school.

Through the implementation of the interventions and goals identified in our School Success Plan, we have seen an increase in student achievement on provincial examinations, graduation rates and attendance, while witnessing a drop in disciplinary interventions and suspensions.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Situated amongst the city of Cowansville's recreational facilities, Massey-Vanier is in an ideal spot for hosting many community events. Listed are but a few activities and groups from our community for which our facilities are available.

- City of Cowansville
- Basketball Camp
- Cadets
- Community Emergency Centre
- BMP Hospital
- Elementary School Music & Athletic Events
- Art Exhibitions



More About Our Student/School Achievement

At Massey-Vanier we recognize student achievement through the presentation of term certificates. Students who show an increase of 5% or more in their term summary average and students with a 76% or greater qualify for a Recognition Certificate.

Other activities and achievements honoring our students are public speaking competitions, Athletic Awards and Academic Awards. In interscholastic sports, we have won several League and Provincial Championships, banners and awards.

Our School Success Plan has put a context and a focus to our school improvement efforts that has resulted in an improvement of over 100 places in three years in the Fraser Report school rankings. We are very proud of the achievements of our students, staff, and community as we strive to meet the needs of all of Massey-Vanier's students.