# A day in the life of an Acton High School student

There are many changes ahead for Acton's high school students, with a new school just a few steps away.

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Dean Fink, the new princlpal of Acton high, envisions a gins. typical school day for a youngster in this school.

He arrives at the main en-

school through a bright, open, carpeted concourse and walks up four stairs to his trance of the new Acton High locker which is in one of the

> His first class is in Art, so he walks back through the concourse where he is greeted by his friends and their classes.

two large locker bays.

His Art room is a large brightly lit room, which can. be divided into two rooms by a folding door. He is one of fifty students taught by two teachers, each teacher in charge of three activities. Some students are painting, some drawing, while others area. work at macrame, silk screening or pottery.

In the last twenty minutes all students assemble in the middle of the room for a large group lesson in Art history. onto the gym. Once he has

English next moves to English through the concourse down six stairs' past the ground level lockers to his classroom directly ad- the period using the 400-metre jacent to the Resource Cen- track and the jumping pits.

he and three classmates lected his program he and his move into the resource centre to do research for a literary he could use free time proto the class.

Resource centre The resource centre is a spacious area lighted in part through a skylight. They can sit at the tables in the discussion area rear the entrance of the Resource Centre or the quiet area at the rear. They sit at a table and quietly discuss their project.

Assistance is readily available from the librarian, li brary assistants and paraprofessionals and of course their teacher. Since her room is adjacent to the resource centre as an extension of her classroom so that she can structure the work of those students while providing more freedom for those stutively.

Servery

Period 3 is our student's lunchtime so he recrosses the concourse to the servery where he can buy a hot or cold to drink with the lunch he times with the students and teachers who are moving to in a 3000-square-foot cafe- together. torium which can be converted on occasion to a 350 seat auditorium for theatre pro- lize in the concourse or use his friends in the concourse the book stores, these serthis comfortable carpeted to the concourse.

To the gym

physical education period, he get his equipment and then dressed, attendance is taken . In his second period be in the large gymnasium divided by a folding door.

Today the program is track

and field and his class spend Our student now has an un-After attendance is taken, scheduled hour. When he separents and counsellors felt

presentation they will make ductively and could take advantage of the free time al ternatives which can be provided in the new facilities' He could use his time to lift weights or play table tennis in the exercise room or he could go to the vocal music room which has become a "bearpit" room. This is a ramped area where people from the

Mini-courses Mini-courses in chess, bridge, macrame and yoga lunch or purchase a beverage are also available at various brought from home. He eats the community participating

He, of course, can do school work in the cafeteria, sociaduction, films or for spea- the Resource Centre. If he rekers. During the remainder of quires help from the office, his lunch today he meets with Student Services, the nurse or where they can socialize in vices are all directly adjacent

Since he is in the theatre production scheduled for the Before period 4, his evening he decides to complete his homework in a study quickly moves to his locker to carrel in the resource centre. Three shops

In period 6, he moves from the resource centre to the Building Construction shop. offer technical courses for school including lockers are

technical option.

Those students who formerly went to Georgetown for technical courses can now stay in Acton Period 6 ends at 3.20 after which students can participate in extra curricular activities or go home.

In the evening, our student is a participant in a musical production. The show is held in the cafetorium which seats over 350 people. Sets have been made in the building shop, designed and painted in the artroom and costumes made in the Home Economics area. These facilities along with the instrumental music and theatre arts are conveniently part of one com-

plex. Community comes When the community arrives for the show it enters This is one of three shops the cafetorium from the conwhich enables the school to course. All other areas of the

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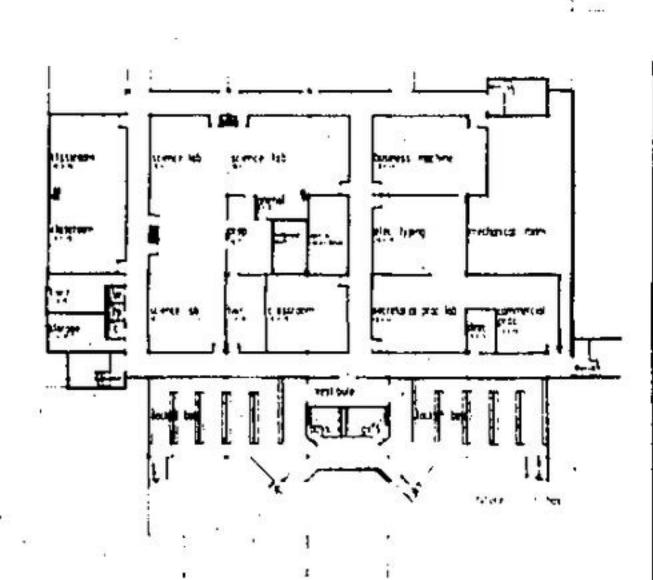
school, is ensured. September '77 will be an exciting time for all those involved in education of the young people of Acton. We

will have a facility which not

only increase the intellectual. social, and athletic opportunities for the students of Acton but also provides a needed community centre for

"For each of us it's something to look forward to.' Dean Fink concludes.





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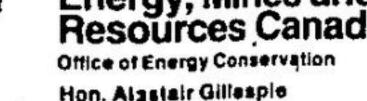


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