

**Parent: Susan**  
**Student attended Fall 2014/15**  
**Semester 65**

My daughter attended the Ontario Science Center Secondary School (OSCSS) for the 2014-2015 fall semester; this was a **pivotal experience** for her and she **thrived** both **socially** and **academically** in this unique **learning space**. Attending school with a cohort of **like-minded students** **enriched her learning**; validated her **passion for science** and was a lot of **fun!** The **teachers** and the **staff** of the Science Center were **incredible** in that they were supportive, yet managed to challenge the students. Her time at the OSCSS included a day with Chris Hatfield (WOW); an overnight team bonding at an education centre; a day trip to the Quantum Mechanics Centre at University of Waterloo and many interactive labs. All of this was facilitated by the teachers and staff. Additionally, students at OSCSS take on the role of **Students Host** at the Science Center and in this role my daughter gained experience communicating science while interacting with visitors at the Science Centre. It is very hopeful to me, that with tax dollars, the **government supports** top notch educational programs such as OSCSS for **public school students**. We are **sincerely grateful** that our daughter had this opportunity and we are delighted that after her time at the OSCSS she has been accepted to the university programs of her choice. At this point in time, she is planning to continue her **love of science** by taking engineering at university.