



NEWS RELEASE

Registration open for 5K walk/run in support of Kimberley Black Graduate Scholarship

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Oshawa, ON – Members of the community are invited to participate in a five-kilometre run/walk to help raise funds for Ontario Tech University's [Kimberley Black Graduate Scholarship](#).

The annual scholarship is awarded to graduate students, from the Faculty of Education, who demonstrate a commitment to women's health and wellness, safety and career growth.

Dr. Janette Hughes, Whitby resident, professor and the Canada Research Chair in Technology and Pedagogy, came up with the idea as she was amazed by Ms. Black's commitment to give back to the community following her attack in 2020. Just four months after the attack, Ms. Black successfully defended her master's thesis at Ontario Tech University.

"I'm honoured to be on the receiving end of such support and am grateful for the opportunity to partner with Ontario Tech U," explained Ms. Black. "It's become my mission to bring positive change to the community through the #bpositive message of resilience and advocacy."

Ms. Black will present the event's opening ceremony at 10 a.m. from the campus Commencement Lot at 2000 Simcoe Street North, Oshawa. Participants crossing the finish line will be met with live music performed by Ms. Black's husband [Rob Tardik](#), a successful recording artist.

Ontario Tech University and the School of Justice & Emergency Services at Durham College have partnered to coordinate the initiative, along with support from the Durham Regional Police Service (DRPS).

For event details and registration, visit the [Eventbrite page](#). You can also support the scholarship through the dedicated online [silent auction](#).

For more information about the scholarship or to make a donation, view the [Tribute to Kimberley Black](#) on the Ontario Tech University website.

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