



Creativity Thrives Here | Arts Mackenzie Applications for September 2023

The York Region District School Board's specialized arts program is designed for students who have a keen interest in their chosen art discipline and who learn through the arts. At Arts Mackenzie, students will develop strong academic, artistic and life skills in a safe, inclusive environment. Arts Mackenzie students are incorporated into the academic and extra-curricular life at Alexander Mackenzie High School.

While working towards their Ontario Secondary School Diploma, students are required to take a minimum of eight arts credits in their chosen discipline. Students may apply to study one of the following Arts Mackenzie disciplines: dance, music (strings, instrumental, vocal), theatre or visual arts.

Benefits of Enhancing Your Secondary School Experience with Arts Mackenzie

- Academic programming enhanced by two arts credits in your discipline per year to achieve OSSD and YRDSB Specialized Arts Certificate
- A kinesthetic instructional approach to acquiring traditional, digital and financial literacy skills
- Develop confidence and perseverance while building transferable skills in communication, collaboration, critical thinking, creativity, and higher order thinking
- Extended learning opportunities from professional guest artists, unique field trips, and cross-curricular activities

Applications for **September 2023** will be open in **November 2022**. Families are asked to visit www.artsmackenzie.com for more information and updated dates. Families are invited to learn more about the Arts Mackenzie program at our annual Arts Information Night on November 2, 2022 at the Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts. Details can be found at www.artsmackenzie.com.