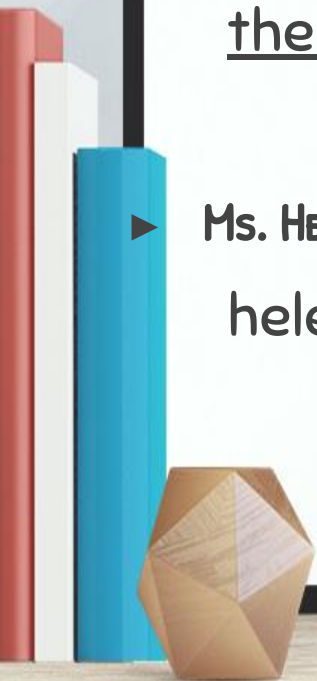




WELCOME!

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AMHS MISSION STATEMENT

Together, in a safe and secure school community, we will engage in dynamic learning that prepares open-minded individuals who will make a difference in our world.



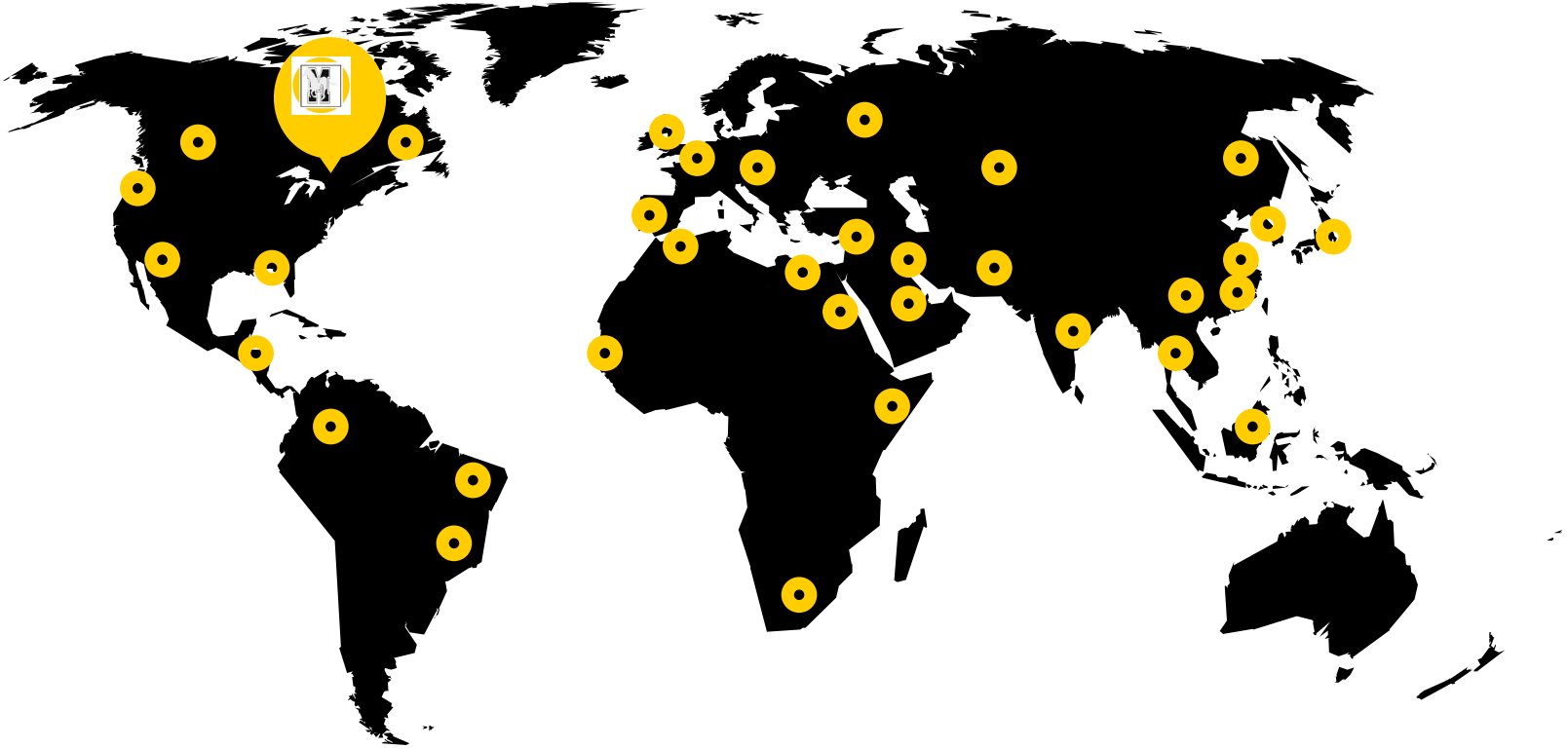
OUR GOALS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

We want all students to...

- ▶ achieve their potential
- ▶ develop positive relationships with staff and other students
- ▶ become involved in school life



School Population



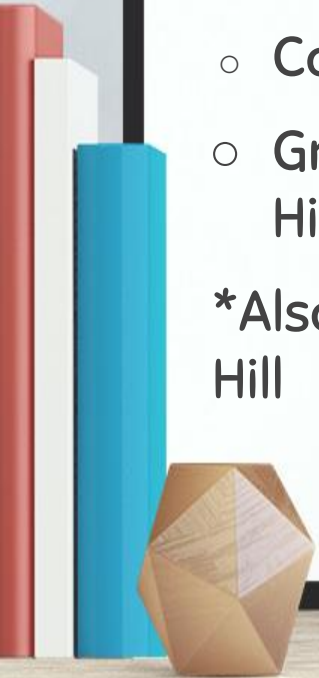
Alexander Mackenzie High School
Richmond Hill, Ontario, Canada

UNIQUE FEATURES OF AMHS

A variety of Technological Education programs, including:

- Transportation / Auto mechanics
- Construction Design and Engineering
- Hospitality
- Cosmetology
- Green Industries (greenhouse partnership with Richmond Hill Horticultural Society)

*Also: We share the outdoor fields with the City of Richmond Hill



UNIQUE FEATURES OF AMHS

- Regional program for Deaf and Hard of Hearing students
- International Baccalaureate Programme
- Arts Mackenzie Program
- PALM Program for Newcomers to Canada
- SHSM: Health and Wellness
Arts and Culture
Business



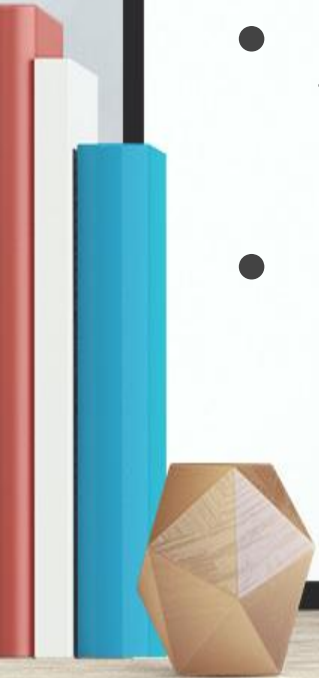
WHAT IS A 1:1 PROGRAM?

- Teaching and learning environment in which each participating student and teacher has access to a personal computing device on a direct and continuous basis for educational purposes.
- Students do not share their technology with other students but take ownership over their own particular device.
- PURPOSE: To improve student learning and engagement and to teach students how to be critical thinking **CREATORS** with technology rather than passive **CONSUMERS** of technology



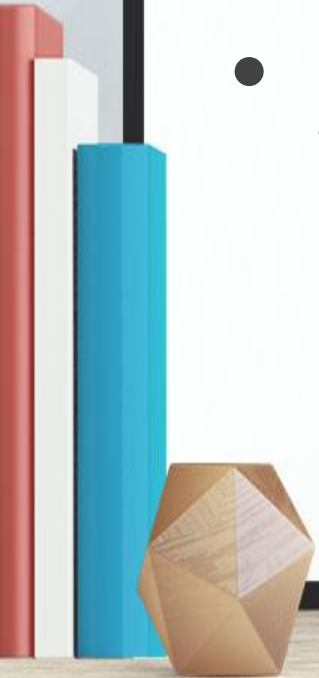
WHY THIS APPROACH?

- Many students know how to use technology because they don't know a world without it
- They use it every day but this doesn't mean they are using the technology effectively
- We aim to equip our students with the skills they need to use their technology in a way that is meaningful and constructive
- Important to note that cell phones are not a primary device.



BENEFITS OF 1:1

- An international move towards individualizing learning, which can increase independence and self-initiated learning in students and extend their learning beyond the classroom
- Students who have a device have been found to be more engaged, collaborative and take ownership of their learning.



How IT WORKS

- Most students would be required to provide their own primary device such as a laptop (preferred), Chromebook or tablet with keyboard attachment
- Refurbished technology and incentive programs
- Students who demonstrate further financial need sign an equipment loan contract and be lent one of the Chromebooks from the school
- The library would house a small number of Chromebook to lend to students for the day if they forget their device.



CELL PHONE POLICY – SEPTEMBER 2024

Student Expectations:

- Phone is set to silent and not visible during instructional time

Classroom Teacher Expectations:

- All phones are set on silent and not visible
- If a student violates the policy:
 - Step one – conversation with student/warning
 - Step two – contact with family (two way communication is expected); document in Teach Assist (cell phone violation/conversation with parent/guardian)
 - Step three – if student continues to violate policy after step two, student is referred to the main office

Administration Expectations:

- Phone is confiscated and stored in the vault for the remainder of the day
- Parent/guardian is contacted to pick up the cell phone
- Progressive discipline is applied for repeated violations



GETTING INVOLVED

- Student Council
- Variety of Program Based Councils (Athletics, Arts, IB)
- Variety of Clubs
- AMHS Student Life Classroom (mg54bhx)



EXPERIENCE LEADERSHIP – COUNCILS AT AMHS



EXPERIENCE ATHLETICS

FALL	WINTER	SPRING
Girls Basketball	Boys Basketball	Girls Slo Pitch
Boys Volleyball	Girls Volleyball	Boys Baseball
Rugby 7s	Ski/snowboard	Ultimate
Boys Soccer	Hockey	Girls Soccer
Tennis	Badminton	Rugby
Cross Country		Track & Field





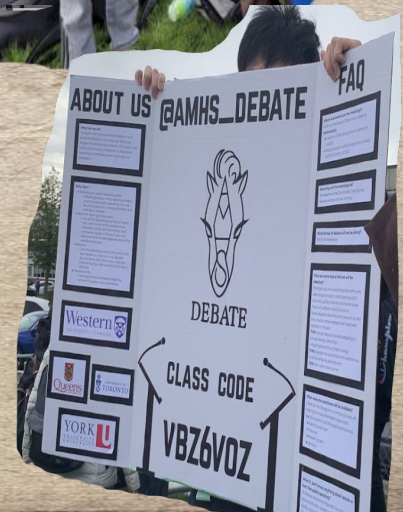
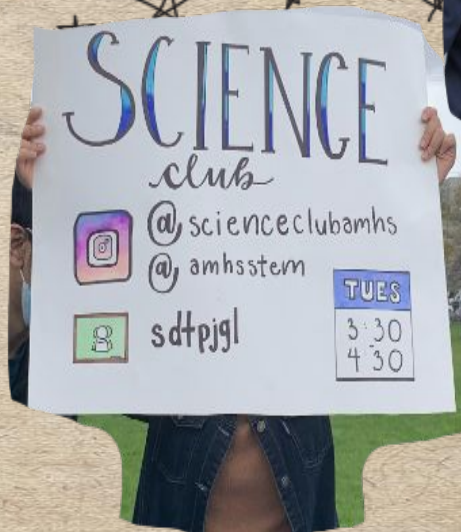
GREEN ACRES

WELCOME
TO **CAMP GREEN ACRES** SINCE
1966!

Welcome
ALEXANDER MACKENZIE




CLUB FAIR





STUDENT ENGAGEMENT FEE

- students are encouraged to register for the School Engagement Fee – \$50
 - available on School Cash Online
- The student engagement fee supports a number of school activities such as:
 - school wide spirit events
 - clubs
 - athletics
 - dances
 - festivals



The screenshot displays the 'SchoolCash Online' interface for the 'York Region District School Board'. It features a blue header with a menu icon, the title 'SchoolCash Online', and a shopping cart icon with a red notification bubble. Below the header, the 'Fee Details' section is titled 'Student Engagement Fee - 2022/2023'. It shows the 'Amount Due' as '\$50.00' in a green box. A testimonial from Mehka Gnanendran (Alexander Mackenzie H.S.) is included, describing the fee's coverage of various school activities. At the bottom, there are 'Back' and 'Add To Cart' buttons.

≡ SchoolCash Online 

 York Region District School Board

Fee Details

Student Engagement Fee - 2022/2023
Amount Due: \$50.00

Mehka Gnanendran (Alexander Mackenzie H.S.)

The student engagement fee covers a range of activities and opportunities offered at AMHS. Your support is greatly needed in order to support and run co-curricular programs such as athletics, school spirit events, clubs, student awards, music festivals, and recognition celebrations, along with assemblies involving guest speakers. This also includes a student card, support for activities and events, including but not limited to, sports, dances, Student Council, Presidents' Council, Athletic Council, Music Council, Arts Council, etc.

[Back](#) [Add To Cart](#)

SCHOOL COUNCIL DONATIONS

This year the School Council is encouraging families to donate \$10.00 for the 2024 – 2025 school year.

If you wish to donate \$25 or more, a tax receipt will be provided.

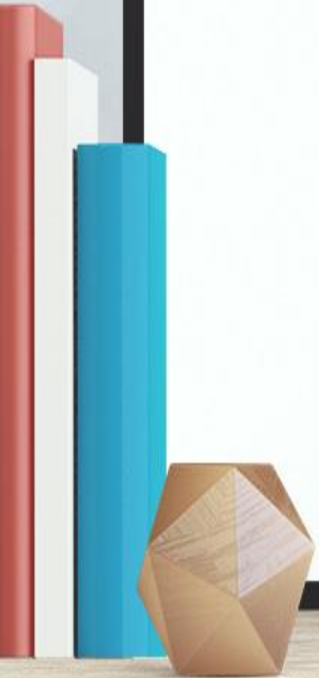
This \$10.00 donation per family will be used to enhance the learning opportunities and learning environment of the school, such as musical theatre, the purchase of technology, special events, guest speakers etc.



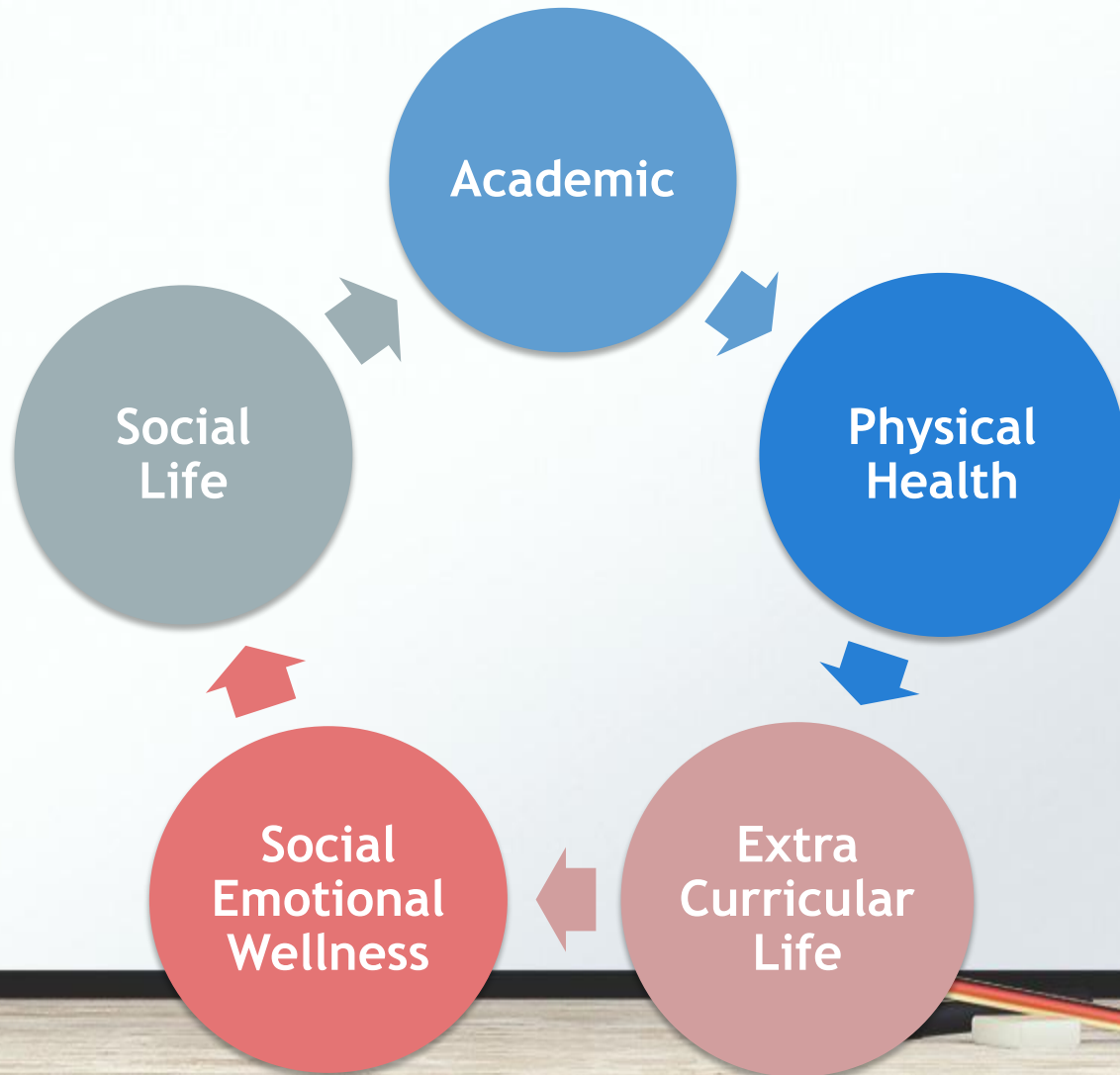
TIPS FOR SUCCESS



**SOME TIPS FOR HELPING YOUR CHILD
BE SUCCESSFUL IN HIGH SCHOOL.**



ADOLESCENCE IS A BALANCING ACT



How CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?

- ▶ Check the school website regularly
www.yrdsb.ca/schools/alexandermackenzie.hs
- ▶ Attend school events
- ▶ Contact your child's teachers
- ▶ Contact Guidance or Student Success
- ▶ Attend School Council meetings:
next meeting is Monday, September 23 at
7:00 p.m.



ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

- ▶ A weekly electronic newsletter is distributed.
- ▶ It contains dates, events, attendance for the week, etc.
- ▶ Do we have your email? If not, email the school to be added to our mailing list:
alexander.mackenzie.hs@yrdsb.ca



PARKING LOT

- Our school promotes healthy lifestyles. We encourage our students to walk to school!
- The school driveway is very busy in the mornings between 8:00 am. and 8:30 am.
- please use Trench Street Parking Lot for drop off and/or pick up
- Do not stop your car in the “No Idle Cars” zone. This is also a **FIRE ZONE**



TIPS FOR PARENTS

- Encourage your child to do their best in school.
- Remember “personal best” does not mean “perfect” and learning is not the same as achieving high grades.
- Teenagers, like adults, need the freedom to make mistakes and learn from them.
- Encourage your child to **GET INVOLVED** IN AMHS’s sports teams, clubs, or councils!



Modified Schedule For Today

8:30 – 9:00	Welcome Assembly
9:05 – 10:05	Period 1: Community Building
10:10 – 11:10	Period 2: AMHS 101 (Supports @ AMHS)
11:10 – 12:10	Lunch (Period 3) on back field
12:15 – 1:15	Period 4: School Tour and Scavenger Hunt
1:20 – 2:20	Period 5: Reflective Moment
2:25 – 3:10	Assembly in caf, Celebration of Today

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

Instagram: @alexmackhs: School Account



@amac_stuco: Student Council

@amhs_presco: Presidents Council

@macpheathletics: Athletic Council

THANK YOU FOR COMING!

Questions?

