

Alexander Mackenzie High School
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Important Upcoming Dates

- April 14/15 SHSM First Aid and CPR Training
- April 15 Music Showcase Fanfare
- April 18 21 Good Friday and Easter Monday (No School)
- April 22 Sr. Badminton @ Pan Am Centre
- April 25 Spring Market period 2-4

School Cash Online

- Graduation Ceremony
- School Dance
- Prom
- First Aid and CPR (SHSM)
- Spring Market
- To celebrate Pride YRDSB has T-Shirts available for purchase on school cash online for \$20. Check out the link below.

https://yrdsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/384094/72/False/True

School News

Spring Market

Looking for a healthier option at lunch?

Support Athletic Council at Spring Market on April 25, 2025 with a Subway lunch. You have a choice of 4 sub varieties in a combo with pop/water and chips.

Students will pick up their pre-ordered Subs from the ProShop during the 2nd half of 2nd period, all of third or the beginning of 4th period. We will not be holding orders for 5th period lunches.

Mayo and Mustard will be available on the side when you pick up your combo

In order to pick up their food, students MUST bring their student card with photo ID before their order will be given to them. Students with period 5 lunch are asked to make arrangements with their period 2, 3 or 4 teachers to come down to pick their food up.

For \$10.00, you get a 6-inch sub, a water/pop and a bag of chips. Here are your sub choices:

- Option 1: 6" Veggie Combo (processed Cheese & lettuce, tomato, cucumber, green peppers, black olives)
- Option 2: 6" Ham Combo(processed Cheese & lettuce, tomato, cucumber)
- Option 3: 6" Cold Cut Combo (processed Cheese & lettuce, tomato, cucumber)
- Option 4: 6" Turkey Combo (processed Cheese & lettuce, tomato, cucumber)

Orders must be placed by April 17, 2025 on School Cash Online ONLY- orders will not be accepted after this date

Student Access to School Building

Student safety is important to us, and students must have appropriate supervision when in the building. Unless directly supervised by a staff member for an extracurricular activity, students should not be entering the school before 7:30 am. Beginning at 7:30 am, there will be four doors opened for students to enter the building. These doors include the main office doors, the south doors adjacent to Trench Street (by the student parking lot), the centre doors at the north end of the building close to the field and the doors at the north-east end of the parking lot. All other entry doors will remain locked during the school day and are only to be used as exit doors.

Additionally, students should not be in the school after school hours unless directly supervised by a staff member. Students are asked to leave the building upon the completion of the school day.

ESL Corner

The months of March and April have continued our language journey with many interactive projects and learning to improve writing conventions. In the ESLAO/BO classes, students have been practicing their reading fluency by recording themselves reading books every week. They've learned the different parts of speech and are now learning how to write sentences. In ESLCO, students have been following the PEI format of writing (Point, Evidence, Importance) when constructing a paragraph. They were given the opportunity to present their written paragraph to the class orally. The ESLDO class has been continuing to work on paraphrasing and summarizing content material through various writing tasks, oral presentations, whole group presentations, and small group presentations. The upcoming task is a speech about a mentor. This will serve as practice for those interested in running for the ESL representative on the Students' Council for the 2025/2026 school year. Lastly, the ESLEO classes have learned about discrimination in Canada and interpreted various media texts to conduct an academic discussion. They'll soon learn about the different ways students can participate in their school community.

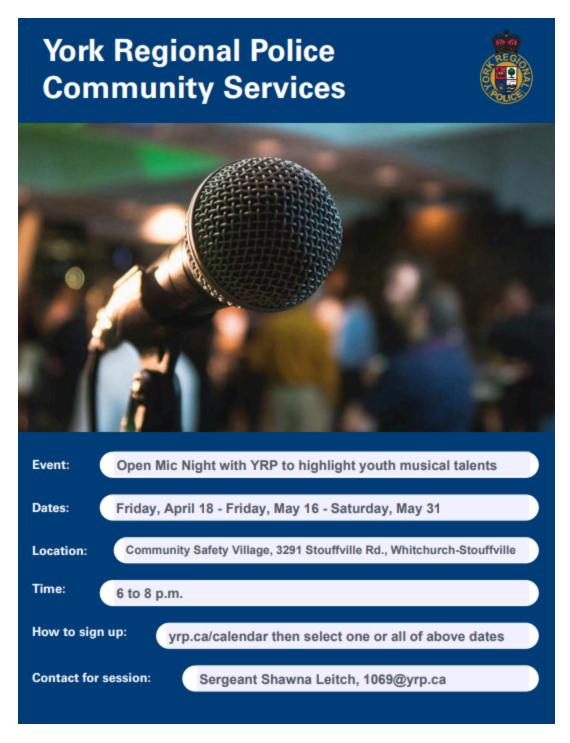




Summer School 2025

YRDSB Summer School information has been updated on their website. Sign-ups occur on myblueprint and will start on April 15th. Online courses go quick so be sure to set a reminder to register. Attached is the <u>site information</u> and the <u>registration instructions</u>.

Board News



The Markham African Caribbean Canadian Association (MACCA) will be awarding scholarships of \$1,000 to selected recipients. Deadline is June 30, 2025.

2025 Scholarship Application Package

Please see the flyer for more information or visit the MACCA website.

2025 SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS



ELIGIBILITY:

- Must be of Caribbean or African Heritage.
- Applicant must reside and attend school in York Region or volunteered at a MACCA Program for at least two years.
- Applicant must be accepted and enrolled in fulltime studies at an accredited Canadian college, University trade school/apprenticeship program during the 2025-2026 academic year.
- Applicant must provide proof of community involvement and extra-curricular participation.
- Applicant must have an overall academic average of B+ or above.

Visit Maccal987.com to download and fill out the scholarship application today!

Understanding and Navigating the Education System



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THE CENTRE FOR BLACK STUDENT EXCELLENCE

Families of YRDSB Black Students Monthly Information Session

Monday, April 28, 2025 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Families, parents, caregivers, please join us for our monthly virtual meeting where families with Black children come together to learn about resources and upcoming programs for Black students in both elementary and secondary schools.

Agenda:

- Welcome and Engagement Exercise
- Presentation on Black Affirming Resources to Support the Curriculum
- · Upcoming Programs and Events
- · Question and Answer Session

Please register ASAP.

A Zoom meeting link will be sent after registration.

Let us come together to empower our students and build a stronger community.

We look forward to seeing you there.





Register now.

If you require further information, please contact BlackStudentExcellence@yrdsb.ca



Celebrating Student Excellence

We are delighted to invite you to our event Celebrating Student Excellence. This will be a special celebration showcasing the outstanding achievements of our Black Student Alliances across the York Region District School Board. This event will also feature a performance to highlight Caribbean carnival celebrations rooted in African and Indigenous traditions.

April 16, 2025, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Maple High School 50 Springside Rd, Maple

Please join us to celebrate. Your presence will make this event even more special!

To Register

Kindly RSVP via this <u>registration form</u> no later than April 10, 2025. If you have any further questions, please contact: blackstudentexcelence@yrdsb.ca



Budget Survey and Consultations

YRDSB is inviting staff, families, and community members to participate in the annual budget consultation process taking place until April 18, 2025. These opportunities for staff and public input provide the Board with important information about how staff and the broader community would like the budget to be allocated to continue supporting student achievement and well-being in York Region.

Survey: The online survey will be available until April 18, 2025.

Public Consultation Date: In addition to the survey, a virtual consultation session will take place on Monday, April 7 at 7:00 p.m.:

- For listen only, telephone access to the webinar, dial 647-497-9385 and enter access code 732-589-625; or.
- Register for online access to the consultation session. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Student Attendance

General inquiries and student attendance information can be sent directly to the AMHS attendance email address at alexandermackenziehs.attendance@yrdsb.ca.

You may also call the school Main Office directly at 905-884-0554.

If your child is arriving late to school due to an appointment or another reason, please ensure that you confirm their late arrival with a call or email to our attendance office. Thank you.