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# AMHS Bulletin

Fri, April 12th, 2024



## Important Upcoming Dates:

**April 9** - Summer School Registration Opens on My Blueprint

**April 17 and 18** - OSSLT Spring Literacy Test

**April 18** - Spring Dance

## School Update

Greetings AMHS Families,

Another fantastic week is in the books. We want to take this time to mention a special congratulations to the theatre department who presented a fantastic studio to stage performance this week at the Richmond Hill Center for Performing Arts. Thank you to all those who attended.

Have a wonderful weekend!

# OSSLT - Spring Literacy Test

On April 17 and 18, students will have an opportunity to write the OSSLT. The test is written in two parts. Those students who wrote the test in semester 1 but were not yet successful, will have another opportunity to complete the test. Students and families are encouraged to use the practice materials found on the site [rebrand.ly/osslt](https://rebrand.ly/osslt)

If your student is writing this session, an email would have been sent home already, and your student was emailed to their gapps account as well.

## Grad Updates

- Please note that if your child is graduating, the Grad Fee is now live on School Cash Online. This Fee is required to take part in the Graduation Ceremony in June. This fee covers the facility rental, souvenir cap and gown and refreshments after the ceremony, and two tickets to the ceremony.
- Many graduates have yet to submit their volunteer hours. This is a requirement for graduation. Students must complete 40 hours. Please speak to your student to find out if this is complete, and if not, please encourage them to do so soon (March break is a great opportunity). If you have any questions about volunteer hours, please reach out to the Guidance department.



**Ascending Sisters+ serves as a mentorship program that connects Black girls and non-binary students in grades 7 to 10 with Black YRDSB staff in alignment with the YRDSB Dismantling Anti-Black Racism Strategy. Programming will include: leadership training, career exploration, guest speakers, connections to affirming community initiatives, connections to healing and well-being activities.**

**Priorities of the program :**

- **An affirming space where we can learn more about our shared history and identity.**
- **An opportunity to build a collective voice for Black girls**
- **Build self confidence and self-esteem for students to be their best selves and future leaders.**
- **Developing knowledge of post-secondary education and potential career pathways, strengthening communication and advocacy skills.**
- **Learning strategies that support one's mental health and provide wellness.**

**First Meeting - Date April 30th, 2024**

**Time: from 1-2pm.**

**Location: Virtual (Google Meet with the nickname: AscendingSisters)**

**Registration: Will take place through a YRDSB Point of Contact Staff or Administrator who will register the student. For additional information - Contact:**

**[AscendingSisters@yrdsb.ca](mailto:AscendingSisters@yrdsb.ca)**

**Meetings will take place virtually during the school day and students will be excused from their regular classes and programming in order to participate.**

**If you are interested in this program, our staff contact is [celia.clarke@yrdsb.ca](mailto:celia.clarke@yrdsb.ca)**