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# AMHS Bulletin

Fri, April 19th, 2024



## Important Upcoming Dates:

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

**April 30** - Dance Expressions performance @ Richmond Hill Centre for Performing Arts

## School Update

Greetings AMHS Families,

Yesterday, we had our first Spring Dance in many years. Students had a great night, and we were so impressed with Student Council's hard work. Looking forward to more fun events in the future!

Have a wonderful weekend!

## School Council Spring Fundraiser

As spring approaches, why not cultivate your own garden and enjoy organic produce all season long? Join us in supporting our school-wide student activities by purchasing seeds from Limitless Growth. Not only will you be contributing to our school community, but you'll also have the chance to embrace a sustainable lifestyle.

Please consider purchasing items through the following link:  
<https://limitlessgrowth.co/AlexanderMackenzie>

Let's grow together!

## 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**

**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)**