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# **Important Upcoming Dates**

- Monday December 23- Friday January 3 Winter Break (No School)
- January 14 and 15 Grade 9 Math EQAO for students currently taking Grade 9 Math
- Wednesday January 22- Tuesday 28- Exams (Student cannot be away during exams)

### **School Cash Online**

- School Yearbook 2024-2025
- Graduation Ceremony
- Gym Uniform for Semester 2

# **School News**



#### **Graduation Ceremony - School Cash Online**

Graduation from High School is a significant milestone for those who have met the criteria.

Students are eligible to participate in this year's ceremony and commence with your classmates, if they have successfully achieved the following three criteria below:

1. You must have obtained 26 credits by the end of Semester 1 towards the requirements of the Ontario Secondary School Diploma. And have **completed 30 credits** including all compulsory credits.

2. You must have completed (40) hours of community service hours of volunteer work by May 2, 2025.

3. You must have passed the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) requirement.

It is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to report any credits earned through night school, summer school, and/or private school to the guidance office by May 2, 2025. Failure to meet all three criteria may result in ineligibility to participate in this year's ceremony and could consider you for next year's graduating class.

This year our Graduation ceremony will be held at Borgata Event Center. 8400 Jane Street, Vaughan Ontario, L4K 4L8.

The graduation package, which includes a graduation gown, cap, stole, tassel, and two guest tickets, is priced at \$85. Please submit your payment by May 2, 2025 to ensure your participation through school cash online.

#### **Physical Education Uniform**

Physical Education Uniform for semester 2 classes will be available for purchase until January 17, 2025. Order on School Cash Online!

#### ESL Corner

The past month has provided some great learning opportunities in our ESL Program. Our language students have been independently reading works of fiction for their weekly literature circles, while the emergent language learners have been studying the topic of identity via graphic novels. Skit writing, and oral performance tasks have been part of the ESLCO class, and all ESL classes had the chance to participate in our first holiday tea party. New friends were made, new memories were made, and so much fun was had! We can't wait to continue sharing the learning with you, in the New Year. Happy Holidays!!!



### Exam/Summative

Semester 1 will be ending January 30, 2025. Students will be beginning Summative coursework in January.

#### Exam Schedule

All exams begin at 8:30 am

January 22, 2025	Period 1 Exams
January 23, 2025	Period 2 Exams
January 24, 2025	Period 5 Exams
January 27, 2025	Period 4 Exams
January 28, 2025	Period 3 Exams
January 29, 2025	Instructional Day
January 30, 2025	Exam Review Day (Alternative Schedule)

### **Board News**



# **Student Attendance**

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

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.