



November 10th, 2023

Greetings AMHS Families,

We hope everyone had a great week. This week, AMHS held our annual Arts Information Night at the Richmond Hill Centre for Performing Arts. The evening was a wonderful display of the fantastic programming that is occurring at our school. On another note, this week, we have been impacted by a cyber incident at the Board level that has impacted all levels of communication at the school level with many of our systems being impacted. Therefore, at this time, if there is a pressing concern, please contact the school directly as email to teachers and administrators have been impacted. Thank you for your understanding at this time. Thank you.

Important Upcoming Dates

November 13th - Mackenzie Music benefit concert

November 16th - AMHS semi-formal

November 20-22 - mid-term marks distributed electronically to parents/guardians and 18+ students (there may be a delay with this due to the technical issues at the board level)

November 23rd and 24th - OSSLT

November 29th - grade 8 open house

December 1st - Raptors 905 game @ 11 AM, Scotiabank Arena - open to grade 10, 11, 12

Mackenzie Music Benefit Concert

BENEFIT CONCERT: Mackenzie Music is collaborating with the music departments of Richmond Hill High School, Bayview Secondary School and Richmond Green Secondary School to put on a benefit concert for Mackenzie Health on Monday, November 13th (7:00PM) at the Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts with the goal of raising \$25,000 over 5 years. All members of the school community are invited to attend and to support our local hospital - tickets are \$22.50 (all profits are donated to the hospital) at tickets.rhcentre.ca, and a direct link to donations is here <https://supportmackenziehealth.ca/ui/hostanevent/p/YRDSBmusic>

Nov 17th - PA Day Agenda

Date: Friday, November 17, 2023

Length: Full Day

Program: AM – Student Well-Being
PM – Curriculum Implementation

Length: Half Day – AM

Presenters: School Administration and Board based personnel

Topics: Student Well-Being & Curriculum Implementation

Details: School Teams will engage in learning and dialogue on:

- “Miss, Dismiss, Avoid: Psychological Barriers to Disrupting Racism, Racial Trauma and How to Counteract It”.

School teams will engage in School Improvement planning facilitated by school leaders.

Topics will vary by subject and may include:

- implementation of the Grade 10 Computer Science Curriculum;
- high yield instructional strategies in the De-Streamed Math, Science or English classroom; and
- data analysis for school improvement.

Length: Half Day – PM

Presenters: School Administration and Board based personnel

Topics: Equitable Assessment Practices
MLL Learning
SIP/Department Meetings

Details: School teams will engage in School Improvement planning led by school administrators focusing on:

- implementation of the grade 10 computer science curriculum;
- high yield instructional strategies in the de-streamed math, science or English classroom;
- data analysis for school improvement;
- embedding strategies to support teaching multilingual language learners into the curriculum; embedding subject specific high yield strategies into instruction and assessment; and
- data analysis for school improvement.

OSSLT

We wish to continue to encourage all students and families to access the resources available on our school's OSSLT site at rebrand.ly/osslt. The site can be accessed using our child's GAPPs account.

OSSLT Important Dates:

November 13 - literacy lesson during grade 10 period 5 classes

November 20 - Student Council Meeting

November 23 - Session A Test Day

November 24 - Session B Test Day

November 27 - Make Up Test Day

Parents and guardians, please encourage your child to use the resources on the Student page of the school's OSSLT website --> rebrand.ly/osslt

Modified schedule for November 23rd and 24th:

Homeroom	8:30 AM - 8:35 AM
Period 1 (OSSLT session)	8:35 - 10:05 AM
Transition Break	10:05 - 10:25 AM (20 minutes)
Period 4	10:25 - 11:32 AM
Period 3	11:37 - 12:45 PM
Period 2	12:50 - 1:58 PM
Period 5	2:03 - 3:10 PM

Mustang Athletics

Our Fall season sports are soon coming to an end. Our Varsity Boys soccer team (coached by Mr. Petrone and Mr. Garisto) made it to the Semi's and lost to Tommy D. (1-0). They had an exciting season and

showed great sportsmanship on and off the field. We are proud of you boys. Our x-country team (coached by Mrs. Bhatia and Mr. Martin) ran well and we would like to congratulate our Jr. Girls who placed 4th overall. Way to go Girls! We also would like to congratulate our Jr Girls Tennis Doubles team (coached by Mrs. Bently), who placed second in York Region. Furthermore, our girls basketball teams (coached by Mr. Nixon) were very successful too. Both teams clinched playoff spot and hosted two home openers on Nov 7th. Our Sr. Girls worked hard but fell short by 3 points and our Jr Girls won by 1 point. They advance to the next round where they will meet Bill Crothers on Nov 9th. Have fun and good luck Girls! Finally, our Jr Boys Volleyball team (coached by Mr. Aversa and Mrs. Kattis) are also in the playoffs. They played on Nov 9th at Denison for a playoff spot at next week's all day tournament. We are with you in spirit and Good Luck.

Renewed Computer Technology Applications

For families interested in purchasing renewed computer technology, please see the link here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1oSjcf0oqUQ9OY3heoAHENGU5H-2SFHvd/view?usp=sharing>

Guidance Services

Guidance Counsellor	Alpha last name for students
Ms. Pantusa	A - G
Mr. Petrone	H - M
Mr. Daides	N - V
Ms. Cohen	W - Z

Guidance Secretary: Cathy Zhang

Guidance Google Classrooms

Grade 9-11 Guidance Classroom (2023-2024)

Guidance & Education Services

Class Code: ugbztay

AMHS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

GUIDANCE

Class Code: orggenu

AMHS Peer Tutoring Program

Class Code: odyb3b7

SHSM: jde7dmp

Guidance Updates

Also, there is the Skilled Trades Pathways event "Level UP" this month which if you are interested in a career in the skilled trades, you won't want to miss. Please see the flyer below.



Help Your Students Unlock a Future in the Skilled Trades

Introducing Level Up!, the Ontario-wide, multi-day career fair events that bring together the best in skilled trades professionals.

Enjoy interactive, hands-on experiences. Learn what's next in the skilled trades. Speak to industry organizations, post-secondary institutions, businesses, associations and more.

For students looking for a challenge and an opportunity to help solve society's problems today, the skilled trades offer a platform to help make the world a better place.

JOIN US AT LEVEL UP! SKILLED TRADES 2023 CAREER FAIRS

Coming soon to Mississauga

**Nov
15
& 16**

**International
Centre – Hall 1
6900 Airport
Road**

Event Format

Daytime (9 AM - 4 PM):

large-scale career fairs, offering students access to ~100 interactive exhibits and information about pursuing a future in the skilled trades

Evening (6:30 PM - 8:30 PM):

intimate events targeting parents, including insights from skilled trades and Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program representatives

To register today, visit LevelUpOntario.ca/schools.

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.

AMHS Daily Schedule

As of September 2023, the schedule for the AMHS school day will be as follows:

TIMES	PERIOD
8:30 a.m. – 8:35 a.m.	HOMEROOM
8:35 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.	Period 1
9:55 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.	Period 2
11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Period 3
12:35 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.	Period 4
1:55 p.m. – 3:10 p.m.	Period 5

School Contact / Website Information

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IB Google Classroom Codes

Grade 11 IB: [hmfxept](#)

Grade 12 IB: [nn4umuq](#)

Grade Google Classroom Codes

Grade 9: [hf5itbn](#)

Grade 10: [jv4kffq](#)

Grade 11: [qlinckg](#)

Grade 12: [kwjnulg](#)

Arts Mackenzie

www.artsmackenzie.com

Music Department

www.amhsmusic.ca

MAC Health, Physical Education & Athletics

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