



November 3rd, 2023

Greetings AMHS Families,

This week was a great success with our Spooky Fall Fest, as the school was very active with a variety of activities going on throughout the common lunch period. Additionally, during Take Our Kids to Work Day, we had our wonderful, incoming grade 9s, for the next school year, visit our school to see the amazing programming that is going on in our building. We are so excited to show our future Mustangs what AMHS is all about. Finally, this upcoming Monday is our Arts Information night for any interested students who want to join our Arts Program. Please help spread the word!

Important Upcoming Dates

Nov 6th - AMHS Arts Information Night - Richmond Hill Centre for Performing Arts

November 13th - Mackenzie Music benefit concert

November 20-22 - mid-term marks distributed electronically to parents/guardians and 18+ students

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](https://supportmackenziehealth.ca), and a direct link to donations is here <https://supportmackenziehealth.ca/ui/hostanevent/p/YRDSBmusic>

Mandarin and Cantonese speakers parent, guardian, caregiver and student support event



Keep the Door Open: Understand Your Child's Inner World 敞开孩子的心房/敞開孩子的心房

This session in Mandarin and Cantonese will share tips on ways that lead your child to open their inner world and take care of their emotional wellbeing under the influence of both traditional Chinese culture and Western culture.

本次研讨会将探讨传统华裔文化和西方文化的影响下如何有效地关爱和照顾孩子的心理健康。

這次的講座將探討傳統華裔文化和西方文化的影響下如何有效地關懷和照顧孩子的心理健康。

To register for a Mandarin session:
[点击这里报名普通话讲座](#) or scan QR code



To register for a Cantonese session:
[點擊這裡報名粵語講座](#) or scan the QR code



Parents, Guardians, Caregiver and Students

Join us to learn and share with your community how the families are supported!

Date: **Tuesday, Nov 21st, 2023**

Time: **6:00pm-7:00pm (Mandarin 普通话)**
7:00pm-8:00pm (Cantonese 粵語)

Location: **Virtually**

Presenters:

Hannah Xu (MPH)

Hong Fook Mental Health Association
Youth Program Worker

Charmaine Tong (M.S.W., R.S.W.)

York Region District School Board
Community Care Social Worker (Chinese Heritage Community)

For more information, please contact:

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This free session is brought to you in partnership with Hong Fook Mental Health Association and Community Care Team of York Region District School Board

OSSLT

Please note that the school is holding an assembly on Monday during period 2 for those students writing the literacy test this semester. We will share with students test dates, what they can expect and how to prepare for the test.

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 6 - period 2 OSSLT Student Assembly in the cafetorium

November 6 - review of teacher expectations during staff meeting

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

Raptors 905 Game

On Friday, December 1st, our school will be attending a Raptors 905 game at Scotiabank arena - the game is scheduled for an 11 AM tip-off. This field trip will be open to grade

10, 11 and 12 students. The cost for the event will be \$35 for students who have paid their student engagement fee and \$40 for students who have not paid their engagement fee (families may pay the student engagement fee on School Cash Online). Tickets are on sale now and are limited in quantity.



Renewed Computer Technology Applications

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

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1oSjcf0ogUQ9OY3heoAHENGU5H-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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Alexander Mackenzie on Instagram

[@alexmackhs](#)

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