



AMHS Bulletin

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Important Upcoming Dates

- Tuesday Oct 29 - Arts Mackenzie Information Night (Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts)
- Nov 3-9 - Treaty Recognition Week
- Wednesday Nov 6 - Take our Kids to Work Day/Take Our Grade 8's to High School Day
- Thursday Nov 7 - Term 2 of Semester 1 Begins
- Thursday Nov 14 - Semi Formal
- Friday Nov 15 - PA DAY
- Monday November 18 - Midterm Mark e-distribution
- Nov 20-23 - OSSLT

School Cash Online

- School Yearbook 2024-2025
- Semi Formal
- Krispy Kreme Fundraiser
- Athletic council fundraiser Fall Fest
- SPC Card

School News

Halloween Costume Reminders

This is just a reminder to students and families regarding costumes for Halloween. Please follow the following guidelines

- No Halloween masks are to be worn.
- No replica weapons of any kind are allowed.
- Students should only use single-use make-up (sharing of make-up is not recommended).
- Costumes do not trivialize and devalue the lives of Indigenous People in Canada.
- Costumes need to be respectful.

Remembrance Day Assembly

On November 11, 2024, AMHS will be welcoming Vishnudat Persaud, a member of the Canadian Armed Forces, as a special guest at the school's Remembrance Day Assembly which will be taking place on the morning of Monday, November 11th. Vishnudat joined the Canadian Forces in 1988; he was deployed to Bosnia as part of the NATO Stabilization Force. He will share his personal experiences as a member of the Canadian Forces and what Remembrance Day means to him.

Fall Fest

Hey Mustang Families,

AMHS will be hosting the annual Fall Fest event on Thursday, October 31, 2024. As part of the event, the Athletic Council will be running a Pizza Fundraiser.

Families are invited to pre order your choice of pizza. An order consists of 2 or 3 slices of cheese OR Pepperoni and a bottle of water. Upgrade to a bottle of Gatorade for only \$1 more. Students will pick up their pre ordered slices in the Health Room (124) during 3rd on Halloween (Oct 31st).

We will not be holding orders until 4th and 5th period lunches. In order to pick up their food, students MUST bring their student card with photo ID before their order will be given to them. Students with period 2 or 4 lunch, are asked to make arrangements with their period 3 teachers to come down to pick their food up.

Orders must be placed by Sunday October 28, 2024 at midnight. Orders will not be accepted after this time.

If there are any questions, please feel reach out to Ms. Hotrum in the Health & Physical Education department: jesse.hotrum@yrdsb.ca

Krispy Kreme Doughnut Fundraiser - School Council - 2024-2025 Orders now have been extended to October 30.



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Now

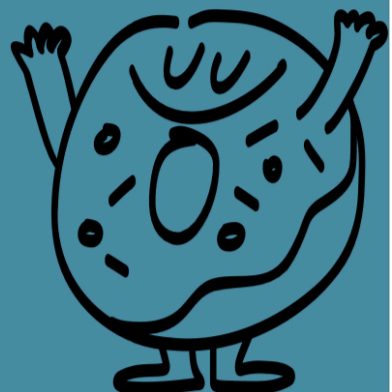


Delicious **DONUTS**

\$16 / box (1 dozen)

Order by Oct 25
on School Cash Online
Pick up: Thur Nov 21,
2:30-4:30, front foyer

AMHS School Council Fundraiser
to support student success,
mental health and well-being



Guidance

Upcoming Post Secondary Pathway Events

Event	Date	Location
TMU Presentation	October 28, 3:15-4:15 p.m.	AMHS
US College & University Tour	October 29 th , 8:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.	AMHS
University of Toronto Presentation	October 30, 3:15pm to 4:15pm	AMHS
AMHS University Campus Visits	November 13 th	AMHS
Ontario University Information Sessions	November 21st; 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m	https://www.ouevents.ca/
Experience Seneca Days	December 2024 (full day)	Register on SCO

AMHS University Campus Visit Information:

Campus Visit #1:

Campus Tour of University of Waterloo and Laurier on November 13. Students visiting the University of Waterloo campus will have an opportunity to participate in a Problem Solving or Engineering workshop or enjoy an in-depth Campus tour. At Laurier, students will enjoy a campus tour and a Business Case Study. Students must arrive at AMHS by 7:20 a.m. for bus departure, and will return to AMHS by 4:30 p.m.. Lunch is not included as students can purchase a lunch or bring their own. To register: students must pay on School Cash Online and also register on the November 13th Google Campus Visit Form - <https://forms.gle/mmA3NUU85AgLTDJc6> - by no later than November 10th. The Google Form can also be found on our Guidance Google Classroom. Cost: \$29.50

If you are a SHSM student, please register on School Cash Online under SHSM Campus Tour – Waterloo & Laurier – Nov. 13. This is a free trip for SHSM Students.

Campus Visit #2:

Campus Tour of **McMaster University** on November 13. Students visiting will have an opportunity to experience an Engineering workshop or possibly a Health-Science tour. Students must arrive at AMHS by 8:25 a.m. for bus departure, and will return to AMHS by 3:45 p.m.. Lunch is not included as students can purchase a lunch or bring their own. To register: students must pay on SCO by November 10th. Cost is \$29.50.

If you are a SHSM student, please register on School Cash Online under **SHSM Campus Tour – McMaster – Nov. 13**. This is a free trip for SHSM Students.

Board News

[Mental Health Board Resources](#)

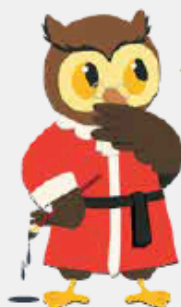


Supreme Court
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THE SUPREME COURT OF CANADA'S



ANNIVERSARY



ART CONTEST

Young artists, show us your creativity and help us mark the Supreme Court of Canada's 150th anniversary! We're looking for drawings, paintings or other graphic artwork illustrating the history and future of the Court as we commemorate its 150th year.

The contest is open to all young artists residing in Canada who will be between the age of 5 and 17 at the time of the artwork submission.

DEADLINE

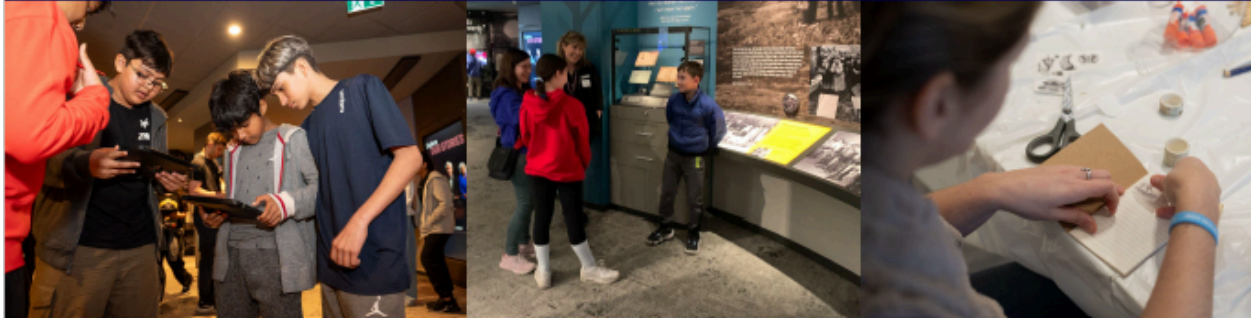
Your artwork has to be received no later than January 31, 2025.

For more information and contest rules, visit:

scc-csc.ca/150



Exploring Family, Community & Love: YRDSB Family Day at Toronto Holocaust Museum (Grades 4+)



Right photo by Shay Markowitz for the Toronto Holocaust Museum

TORONTO HOLOCAUST MUSEUM

Date: Sunday, November 17th

Time: 1:30pm - 4:00pm

Contact: education@thethm.org

Registration Form: bit.ly/YRDSBFamilyDayTHM

Address: 4588 Bathurst St., Sherman Campus, North York, ON M2R 1W6

This program is open to YRDSB families with children in grades 4-12. Please be aware that this is not a drop-off program and all students participating are to be attended with a parent or guardian.

Join Toronto Holocaust Museum (THM) and York Region District School Board (YRDSB) for a Family Sunday at the Museum. This afternoon at the museum will focus on meaningful learning about the history of the Holocaust and explore themes related to Family and Love. Age-appropriate activities will be featured for families with children in fourth grade and older throughout the Museum and Learning Lab. Activities include, reflective artmaking projects such as creating custom buttons reflecting on love and journal making that explore the themes of family history. Additionally, families can look forward to a special museum tour, with family members of Holocaust survivors who have contributed artifacts featured in the exhibition who will share the importance of these objects to their families. There will also be an opportunity to hear the age-appropriate story of Holocaust survivors' survival and immigration to Canada, with an opportunity to ask questions.

Camp Kirk: October 29th from 6.30-8.30pm centered on "Nurturing Connections to Empower Parents of Neurodivergent Children". Attendees will have the opportunity to choose from one of three break out sessions that focus on more specific topics, as well as attend the keynote.

- o Attendees will have the opportunity to choose from one of three break-out sessions that focus on more specific topics, as well as attend the keynote.
- o The importance of employee support networks for parents of neurodivergent children
- o Finding Community when raising children with disabilities
- o Strategies for parenting kids with FASD
[Please click for flyer](#)
[Camp Kirk Brochure](#)

Understanding and Navigating the Education System-Families of YRDSB Black Students Monthly Information Session

A Career that works for you.

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We believe that every student can be successful. That drives our work.”

We are looking for individuals who share this commitment to student learning well-being, and achievement.

We have ongoing job postings in a variety of positions. Learn more about why YRDSB may be the right place for you.

Meet some of our staff and explore career opportunities. www.yrdsb.ca/careers or scan the QR code.





G.I.V.E!

Get Involved. Volunteer in Education!

2024 Fall Session Cohort 2

Join our workshop series and discover how you can make a difference in your child's education by volunteering in schools. Empower yourself to support our school community and enrich your child's learning experience!

You will learn more about:

- The role of a volunteer
- Transferable skills
- Equity and inclusive education
- Human rights
- Employment readiness
- School information and community resources

We will help you:

- Expand your network
- Effectively communicate with school staff
- Contribute to student learning and parent engagement
- Gain volunteer experience in schools
- Build healthy communities
- Boost professionalism

Location: Main Floor, 50 High Tech Road, Richmond Hill, ON L4B 4N7

Dates: November 11 to 15, 2024 (Monday to Friday)

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

All parents/guardians/caregivers are welcome to join this free training program!
Space is limited, please scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/3WWRsxz to register now!



This free information session is organized by York Region District School Board in partnership with Catholic Community Services of York Region. For more information, please contact:

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Important Back-to-School Reminders



All mobile devices, including cellphones, smart watches, and tablets, must be **stored out of view and powered off** or set to **silent mode** during class/instructional time.

Secondary 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.
