



AMHS Bulletin

October 27th, 2023

Greetings AMHS Families,

What a fantastic week. Thank you to all of the staff and volunteers who made our teacher interview night a success. Additionally, this upcoming week, we have great things happening with our Spooky Fall Fest occurring on October 31st. Additionally, Wednesday, November 1st is our grade 9 Take Your Kids to Work Day - on this day, there are no regularly scheduled grade 9 classes and grade 8s will be visiting our building for the day. As a final reminder, if your child missed the original photo day, please remind them to visit the cafeteria stage in the morning on October 30th to get their photo taken. Thanks Mustang community!

Important Upcoming Dates

October 30th - Photo retake day (cafeteria stage)

October 31st - Spooky Fall Fest

Nov 1st - Take your kids to work day (grade 9s) - no regularly scheduled classes for grade 9s

November 13th - Mackenzie Music benefit concert

November 23rd and 24th - OSSLT

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

Photo Retake Day

For all students who missed photo day earlier this year, they are to head to the cafeteria stage in the morning to get their photo taken. Thank you.

Spooky Fall Fest

On October 31st, student leadership groups will host AMHS Spooky Fall Fest, a Fall/Halloween themed spirit day. AMHS will have the following modified schedule for the day on October 31st:

Homeroom/Period 1	8:30 - 9:35 a.m.
Period 2	9:40 - 10:40 a.m.
Period 3	10:45 - 11:45 a.m.
Common Lunch	11:45 - 1:00 p.m.

Period 4	1:05 - 2:05 p.m.
Period 5	2:10 - 3:10 p.m.

The following activities will be available during the common lunch, presented by various AMHS Clubs and Councils:

Foyers (Main and Library)	Cafetorium	Specific Rooms
Bake, Bubble Tea, Craft, Pizza and Treat Sale Collecting Cauldron (Exchanging Candy Wrappers) Paper Ring Making Photo Booth Fall Fest Wellness Colouring Booth	Costume and Fall Fest Celebration	Hallowe'en Themed Escape Room (159) Mystery Room (259) Haunted House (273)

The spirit activities will only be available during the common lunch (11:45 - 1:00 p.m.).

To ensure a safe and enjoyable environment for all, remember:

1. **Students are not permitted to wear costumes that devalue and/or trivialize the lives of Indigenous peoples in Canada.**

2. **Costumes must be respectful of others. Symbols or objects representative of a person's race, culture, ethnicity, or religious beliefs, should not be worn as another person's costume, nor should costumes that caricature social identities through stereotyping.**

3. **Students choosing to celebrate the 31st/Spooky Fall Fest in costume at school must comply with the York Region District School Board's Safe, Caring and Supportive Schools Policy #668.o. Therefore, students are reminded that their costumes MUST NOT under any circumstances include weapons or replica weapons (toy guns, knives, axes, swords, etc.) of any kind.**

4. **No Halloween MASKS are to be worn.**

5. **Students should only use single use make-up (sharing of make-up is not recommended).**

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>

Student Vaccinations

HEY PARENTS!

KEEP YOUR KIDS HEALTHY AND IN SCHOOL

Are your child's immunizations up to date?

It's your responsibility to tell York Region Public Health, not your doctor's.

Update online now!
york.ca/GetImmunized

York Region

OSSLT

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

Take Your Kids to Work Day (Nov 1)

This is a reminder to all families to fill out the Take your Kids to Work Day form that was sent to family emails. This is a reminder that there will not be regular classes for grade 9s on this day for any grade 9s who choose to come to school. Thank you.

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.



Mustang Athletics

Athletic council is fundraising with our Mustang customized hoodies. Represent our school by purchasing your clothing on school cash online by Oct 31st. Thanks for supporting Mustang Athletics.



Athletics Update

We are so proud of our student/athletes this season. Our jr girls x-country team came 4th overall. Great job Ladies! Our Sr Boys Soccer team are going into the quarterfinals on Oct 31st. They have been playing well and working hard to capture a first place spot in their division. Our Sr Girls Basketball team are entering the third round of playoffs on Nov 7th and have captured 2nd place in the overall standings. Our Jr Girls Basketball team and Jr Boys Volleyball team are still playing their season games. Good luck everyone and we are cheering you all on ...Go Mustangs.

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

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

Alexander Mackenzie High School

Principal – Krista Luks

Telephone: 905-884-0554 ext 407

krista.luks@yrdsb.ca

Vice Principal - Themistocles Drekolias

Telephone: 905-884-0554 ext 405

themistocles.drekolias@yrdsb.ca

Vice Principal - Seiji Ishiguro

Telephone: 905-884-0554 ext 406

seiji.ishiguro@yrdsb.ca

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

For information about our programs, please follow us:

Twitter: [@Mustangsmove](#)

Instagram: [macpheathletics](#)

Alexander Mackenzie on Instagram

[@alexmackhs](#)

[YRDSB Parent, Family and Community Engagement \(PEAC\) Newsletter](#)