



October 6th, 2023

Greetings AMHS Families,

Greetings AMHS! For the upcoming week, we will be hosting our annual IB information night on October 12th. Additionally, we have finalized our OSSLT writing dates for grade 10 students and any other students needing to write the test in grade 11 and 12 - the dates are listed below. Finally, please note the parent/guardian teacher interview night booking information below. Our teacher interview night will take place on October 26th, 2023. Thanks Mustang community!

Important Upcoming Dates

October 12th - IB Information Night

October 17-18th - Interim reports distributed to students

October 26th - parent/guardian teacher interviews

November 23rd and 24th - OSSLT

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

Parent/guardian teacher interview night

INTERVIEW NIGHT - BOOKING INFORMATION - TEACHASSIST

We are pleased to announce that Interview Night will be taking place at Alexander Mackenzie on **October 26, 2023**. AMHS will be using teachassist to manage our Interview Night scheduling. Families will be able to make appointments beginning on October 16, 2023.

INTERVIEW NIGHT 2022 - IMPORTANT TIMELINES		
October 2022	16,	TeachAssist Interview Night scheduler opens to families at 8:30 a.m.:

October 18 - 26	Families make Interview Night appointments on TeachAssist
October 27	Interview Night, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

OSSLT

This year, we will be running our Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test for grade 10 students and any students who need to write the test in grade 11 and 12 on the dates of November 23rd and 24th.

Raptors 905 Game

On Friday, December 1st, our school will be attending a Raptors 905 game at Scotiabank arena. This field trip will be open to grade 10, 11 and 12 students. Details will follow soon. Tickets will go on sale on October 23rd, 2023.



Athletic Council

Hello Mustangs, we are getting ready for our annual Halloween pizza lunch fundraiser for our athletes during the 3rd period. We fundraise for our athletes to go on tournaments and help purchase quality equipment. Our aim is to allocate \$100 per team so that we can reduce their cost. Please help by purchasing your child's pizza lunch on school cash online. Last day to purchase is Oct 27th. Thank you.



We are pre-ordering Custom Mustang Clothing before Oct 31st. What a great way to show your Mustang Spirit at our home games. Anyone and Everyone is welcome to purchase your Mustang Gear. All fundraising proceeds will go towards our athletic program. Please order your custom hoodie/sweater on school cash online. We will receive our clothing before the winter break.



OYAP



Accelerated OYAP and Apprenticeship Information Night



Join us on a night to learn about Apprenticeship Pathways and our Accelerated OYAP Program! You should attend this information night if:

- you are a Grade 12 student who is planning on entering the Skilled Trades;
- you are a Grade 10 or 11 student who would like more information on this program to better prepare for this pathway, OR;
- you are the parent/guardian of a Grade 9 - 12 student who is considering a career in the skilled trades.

Learn about how to start an Apprenticeship in one of these skilled trades while still in high school!

Automotive Service Technician	Baker	Child and Youth Worker
Auto Body Technician	Plumber	Carpenter
Cook	Hairstylist	Electrician
Floor Covering Installer	Drywall Finisher and Plasterer	Construction Craft Worker
Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Systems Mechanic	Truck and Coach Technician	Heavy Duty Equipment Technician

Join us on Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

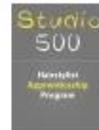
REGISTER AT: <https://yrdsb.cc/OYAP-OpenHouse>



7:00 PM: Overview of OYAP Program with YRDSB and MLITSD

7:30 PM: Breakout Information Sessions for Skilled Trade Programs with the Training Delivery Agent (TDA)

8:15 PM: Closing Q&A with YRDSB



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Special Education Department

Students from Ms Romeo's period 2 community class enjoyed a great morning on Friday, September 29 when they visited the nearby fire hall. The fire officers on duty provided the students with a tour of the station. The tour included a demonstration of how firefighters don protective clothing and equipment, basic fire safety education and the viewing of the fire trucks.

On Monday, October 2nd, students in the community classes participated in a wellness workshop organized and presented by the Hong Fook Mental Health Association. Students engaged in conversations about strategies that can support good mental health and well-being for themselves and their friends. To learn more about the services offered by this organization, please visit hongfook.ca

PA Day - Oct 20th

Please see the agenda for the Oct 20th PA Day for our staff

Length: Half Day - AM

Topic: Curriculum Implementation Learning

Entity Hosting: All Regular Start and Early Start Secondary Schools (regular SYC)

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): School Administration and Board based personnel

Description: Equitable Assessment Practices Professional Learning Series #1

Details: School teams will engage in professional learning facilitated by school administrators focusing on:

- identifying the tenets of equitable assessment; and
- exploring concrete shifts and changes to classroom assessment, evaluation and communication practices.

SIP/Department Meetings

Details: School teams will engage in School Improvement planning facilitated by school leaders. Topics will vary by subject and may include: ● embedding equitable assessment practices into subject evaluations; ● subject specific integration of high-impact instructional practices to support student improvement in alignment with the curriculum; ● developing resources and learning plans to consolidate foundational knowledge and skills in de-streamed grade 9 courses including English, Mathematics and Science and across the curriculum; ● data analysis for school improvement; and ● curriculum implementation of new curriculum YORK REGION DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Length: Half Day - PM

Topic: Literacy/Mathematics Instructional Strategies

Entity Hosting: All Regular Start and Early Start Secondary Schools (regular SYC)

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): School Administration and Board based personnel

Description: Planning with Multilingual Language Learners at the Forefront

Details: The purpose and goals of the STEP Framework are introduced, followed by time to explore both the structure and components within the Oral, Reading and Writing ESL Continua. This module focuses on:

- Foundational principles in teaching multilingual language learners
- Introduction to STEP framework

OCT Professionalism Module Details: Staff will engage in learning regarding professionalism through the OCT Professionalism Module.

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Details: School teams will engage in School Improvement planning facilitated by school leaders. Topics will vary by subject and may include ● embedding strategies to support teaching multilingual language learners into the curriculum. ● embedding subject specific high yield strategies into instruction and assessment ● data analysis for school improvement

Additional professional activities for EAs and Library Technicians

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

Post Secondary Fair Night

On October 11th, AMHS in coordination with other Richmond Hill Schools will be holding a Post Secondary Fair Night for students interested in apprenticeship, college or university post secondary pathways. This event will be held at Richmond Green Secondary School from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. We hope to see you there!

Guidance Presents....



RICHMOND HILL SCHOOLS PATHWAYS FAIR!

In partnership with YRDSB schools

Where?

- Richmond Green SS located at 1 William F. Bell Pkwy, Richmond Hill, ON L4S 2T9

When?

- October 11th @ 6:30-8:30pm

What?

- Talk to University and College Reps, as well as the Skilled Trades and Apprenticeships!



OYAP Open House Invite

2024 OYAP OPEN HOUSE – Oct.10th

INTERIOR FINISHING SYSTEMS TRAINING
CENTRE (IFSTC)

2024 OYAP OPEN HOUSE

Drywall Acoustic Mechanic and Lather
Apprenticeship Program

TIME: 6:30PM TOUR

7:00PM – PRESENTATION

@ 60 Sharer Road, Woodbridge, ON L4L 8P4

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY OCTOBER 13th

Interviews to be conducted October 17th and 18th

(Successful Applicants will be notified by October 20th)

*Current in-school Transcript, along with proof of Canadian
Citizenship, SIN and Photo ID will be required prior to scheduled
interview Class start & end date: 26-Feb/24 to 19-Apr/24*

NOTE: MARCH BREAK DOES NOT APPLY to these Accepted

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Details are included here.

Please hyperlink the word "here" with this: <https://www2.yrdsb.ca/sites/default/files/2023-10/Accelerated%20OYAP%20and%20Apprenticeship%20-%20Information%20Night%20OCT%2026%2C%202023%20%282%29.pdf>

Ivey Business School

Attention Grade 11 and 12 Students: Guidance Services is pleased to have a representative from IVEY Business School at AMHS to present Program and General Admission Information in room 141 on Tuesday October 10th at 3:20 p.m. This would be a great opportunity to ask your specific questions directly to the university representative.

Post Secondary Updates - Info Sessions

Hello Everyone: Post Secondary Updates - Information Sessions All presentations will be in Room 141 – At 3:30 p.m. each day October 11th: Applying to US/UK Presentations; October 12th: Post-Secondary College & Univ. Information Sessions

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 2022, 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 9 and 10 Pre-IB: e3szkm3

Grade 11 IB: nn4umuq

Grade 12 IB: rqzmsui

Grade Google Classroom Codes

Grade 9: hf5itbn

Grade 10: jv4kffq

Grade 11: qlinckg

Grade 12: kwjnulg

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www.artsmackenzie.com

Music Department

www.amhsmusic.ca

MAC Health, Physical Education & Athletics

For information about our programs, please follow us:

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Instagram: [macpheathletics](https://www.instagram.com/macpheathletics)

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