



# AHS – ebulletin for Friday, October 19, 2018

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## Upcoming Events

Date	Event
October 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>PA Day (<i>The Main Office will be closed in the morning for professional learning</i>)</li><li>Municipal Election Site</li></ul>
October 24	<b>Ontario Dress Purple Day; Schools</b> and communities across the province will dress purple
October 25	Music Fall/Halloween Event 6pm
October 30	Boys Hockey Tryout
October 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>SGI Halloween Bake Sale P3&amp;P4</li><li>AHS Haunted House (<i>entry for \$1 or a non-perishable food item</i>)</li></ul>
November 4	Daylight Savings
November 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">Diwali</a></li></ul>
November 7	Last Day of Term 1
November 8	First Day of Term 2/Careers & Civics Switch
November 12 - 30	<a href="#">Every Student Counts Survey</a>
November 14	<a href="#">Take Our Students to Work Day</a>

## Daily Announcements

Announcements are read daily at the end of period 1 but they can also be found at

## Legalization of Cannabis

As of October 17, 2018, it will be legal for individuals **19 and older** to buy, use, possess and grow recreational cannabis. It remains illegal for anyone under the age of 19. This is the same as the minimum age for the sale of tobacco and alcohol in Ontario.

**Regardless of age, cannabis is not allowed on school property or at school-related events at any time.**

It is illegal for **anyone** regardless of age to smoke or vape any substance, including cannabis:

- at school, on school grounds, and all public areas within 20m of these grounds
- on children's playgrounds and public areas within 20m of playgrounds
- in child care centres, or where an early years program is provided
- in places where home child care is provided – even if children aren't present\*

*\*Please note that these are the provincial regulations and by-laws could be different at a municipal level*

There will be consequences for students if they are believed to be in possession or under the influence of alcohol, illegal drugs or cannabis. Suspension will be considered. There are exceptions if the medicinal use of cannabis is outlined in the student's Health Care Plan. If a student gives alcohol or cannabis to anyone under the age of 19, the school will contact police, suspend the student and consider expulsion.

In YRDSB, we want families and students to be informed about the facts of cannabis legalization. To support this learning, you may find the following resources helpful. You can also request a hard copy through the school office.

[Cannabis: What Parents/Guardians and Caregivers Need to Know](#)

[Cannabis Talk Kit: Know How to Talk With Your Teen](#)

We will continue to provide students with information and support to make positive and healthy decisions.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school's administration.

## Guidance News

Please visit the [Guidance Page on the AHS School Website](#) (October 19, 2018) for further information on:

- Post-Secondary Fair Dates - including, **St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic High School Fair for all Aurora Families: next Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.** The list of universities and college attendees can be viewed on the Guidance webpage
- Scholarship Information
- SHAD 2019
- Day School e-Learning Course Information for February 2019

- Community Involvement Reminders

## Parking Lot Safety

We encourage all students who live walking distance from the school to walk or bike to school each day. There are bike racks at the front of the school where students can lock up their bikes.

Please remember that the lane closest to the school is a school bus lane and must be clear for safe drop off and pick up of students using school buses and other designated vehicles. In addition, the parking lot at the front of the school is for school staff only. If you must drive your child to school, please exercise great care while driving. Thank you for keeping all of our students and staff safe.

## After School Literacy Preparation Course

Aurora High School is offering an After School Literacy Preparation Course to assist students to prepare for the OSSLT (Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test).

Students who wish to receive additional preparation for the upcoming test should see Ms. Korp in Room 309 to obtain a Student Registration Form.

The course runs every Tuesday, from 3:00 - 4:30 pm, starting on Tuesday October 16th and ending on Tuesday December 18th.

Please note registration is based on a first come, first served basis.

## Take Our Kids to Work

On Thursday October 11th, grade 9 students received information regarding Take Our Kids to Work Day, happening November 14th, 2018.

This is an annual national event where grade 9 students get to observe a workplace of a parent, relative, friend or volunteer host, and get a sense of a real world work experience.

A parent/guardian must **fill out and sign the consent form** that was sent home and return it to the homeroom teacher by **October 26th, 2018**. Please see <https://www.thelearningpartnership.ca/events/take-our-kids-to-work-day> for more information.

Your child can see Mr. Green in room 334 if you have questions or concerns.

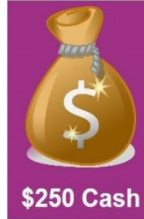
# Community Happenings



## 2018 POSTER CHALLENGE

THIS YEAR'S THEME: "RESPECT YOURSELF"

- Three selected posters will be printed and used in schools for the Student Crime Stoppers Program
- Get involved, make a difference, Win \$250!
- The selected posters will be unveiled at the Crime Stoppers Student Symposium on Nov. 15, 2018 at the Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts
- 11" x 17" (tabloid) size
- Posters to be submitted in either .jpg or .pdf format



Help us promote Crime Stoppers in your school by creating a poster illustrating this year's theme "RESPECT YOURSELF." Tipsters can MAKE THE CALL to Crime Stoppers reporting Crimes while remaining anonymous. This results in safer schools and communities for everyone. Individual/group submissions welcome.

Poster Requirements: 11"x17" (tabloid) size. The Student Crime Stoppers logo must be included on your poster, along with the Facebook, YouTube and Twitter social media icons and 1-800-222-TIPS and www.1800222TIPS.com. Download logos from www.1800222tips.com/School-Crime-Stoppers

E-mail your submissions to: 899@yrp.ca by **Thursday, October 25 2018**  
School and student name(s) must be included.



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