



# AHS - ebulletin

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## Friday, February 16, 2018

### Important Upcoming Dates

<b>Feb. 16</b>	<b>Lunar New Year</b>
<b>Feb. 19</b>	<b>Family Day</b>
<b>Feb. 21</b>	<b>Sears Drama Play 7pm</b>
<b>Feb. 22</b>	<b>School Council</b>
<b>Feb. 28</b>	<b>Pink Shirt Day Astronomy Club Observation Night</b>

## School News

### Guidance News

#### Course Selection for the 2017/2018 School Year

Electronic submissions in *Career Cruising* are due by Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Upon submitting electronically, students must also hand in a parent\guardian signed course selection page to their homeroom teacher.

#### IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. Students without a homeroom class are asked to pick up course selection information and return all completed forms to the Guidance Office **by Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

2. All Grade 12 students who will not be returning to AHS next year are reminded to officially retire from *Career Cruising* and AHS (instruction pages were provided in homeroom & extra copies are in the Guidance Office).

*All course selection information, including the Grades 10 – 11 course selection assembly PowerPoint, can be found on the AHS Guidance webpage, as well as the sector sheets for interested SHSM students.*

#### OUAC/OCAS Reminders:

Students who have applied to College/University for September 2018 are encouraged to check their

OUAC/OCAS accounts to ensure all data is accurate. **Semester 1 final marks and updated courses were transmitted earlier this week. Any concerns or errors should be communicated immediately with the Guidance Department.** Subsequent transmission periods will occur in April and late June. It is the responsibility of all students to remain informed about their application status on OUAC/OCAS.

#### **March Break Open Houses**

Students who have applied to Ontario Universities and/or Colleges are encouraged to attend a March Break Open House. Registration information can be located on the websites of any specific university and/or college of interest. In addition, Open House information may be found on the College and University boards outside of the Guidance office.

#### **Scholarships**

Grade 12 students are encouraged to review the scholarship bulletin board outside of Guidance for potential application opportunities. This board is regularly updated when new information arrives to our school.

#### **Community Involvement Hours**

Students who have yet to complete their 40 community involvement hours are reminded to regularly check our community involvement bulletin board outside of the Guidance Office. Students should always have their potential hours pre-approved in Guidance to ensure the activity fits the description of being a non-profit and/or charitable organization.

### Ontario Drama Festival at Aurora HS!

[http://www.searsdramafestival.com/schedule\\_contacts.html](http://www.searsdramafestival.com/schedule_contacts.html)

The Department of Dramatic Arts is proud to announce that on **Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018, at 7pm, Aurora High School** will be hosting the **2018 Ontario Drama Festival (formerly known as Tphe Sears Ontario Drama Festival)**, the largest student drama festival in Canada since 1946. The title sponsor for this year is the National Theatre School.

Three plays produced by three schools will be performed on this night and adjudicated by a professional artist. Joining students from **Aurora High School** in presenting their work will be students from **Burr Oak Secondary School** and **Alexander Mackenzie High School**. A public adjudication will immediately follow where the professional artist will offer a brief feedback of each show, before engaging in a longer, private adjudication reserved only for students and teacher-supervisors involved in the productions.

Two intermissions will occur between the shows and refreshments will be sold. Run-times for each show can vary from 15-50 minutes. This is the first stage of the festival, the District Level. Shows selected to advance will perform next month at the Regional Showcase hosted by York University, and if selected again, will perform once more at the Ontario Showcase hosted by St. Benedict CSS, Cambridge, where the top 12 shows of Ontario will be celebrated.

Ticket information and prices are as follows:

Aurora High School - 155 Wellington Street West, Aurora, ON, L4G 2P4

Each ticket is a 2-week pass to the Ontario Drama Festival - Central York District, allowing the ticket-holder access to all festival performances in this jurisdiction at various venues:

- Tickets purchased at the doors will be ..... \$12 dollars / ea.
- Tickets bought **online BEFORE Feb 21** will be .....\$8 dollars / ea.\*

\* Online ticket orders will be tracked and buyers will be presented with actual ticket passes by Friday, Feb 16/18

I hope you take advantage of this wonderful opportunity. For 71 years, the festival has been a profound educational highlight to generations of high school students.

Respectfully,

John Castrounis

Subject Head of Dramatic Arts

## Community Events



# NatureAurora

*Do you love all things wild?*

*Interested in being a citizen scientist?*

*Or...*

*...simply want to experience the beauty of your local nature while contributing & learning?*

*Come visit us at our Open House*

**Aurora Seniors' Centre**

**March 3rd, 2018**

**2pm -5pm**

*We are looking for new team members for:*

*Bird Box Monitoring\*\*Bird Box Maintenance\*\*Chimney Swift Watches  
Frog & Toad Monitoring\*\* Field Studies*



[natureaurora.ca](http://natureaurora.ca)

*Participation qualifies for Student Volunteer Hours*



### Important Information for Students Turning 18:

Under the Education Act, parents/guardians have a right to access their child's Ontario Student Record if the child is under 18.

If the student is 18 or over, the Board/school must follow the privacy provisions of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act regarding the disclosure of personal information about the student to their parents/guardians.

Students 18 or over must provide written permission by signing the [Consent for Information Sharing](#) form to allow parents/guardians to continue to access school-related information about the student. This includes academic progress, attendance and behaviour.

Students can also obtain the form from the school office.

**Reminder: Please visit our [website](#) for all the latest news and events.**