



# AHS - ebulletin

Administration

Mr. G. Voumvakis, Principal

Ms. E. Shiffman, Vice-Principal (surname A to L)

Ms. L. Marotta, Vice-Principal (surname M to Z)

**Friday, January 26, 2018**

## **Important Upcoming Dates**

<b>Jan. 25-31</b>	<b>Semester 1 Exams</b>
<b>Feb. 1</b>	<b>Exam Review Day (modified schedule)</b>
<b>Feb. 5</b>	<b>First Day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester</b>

## School News

### Important Website Links

[January 2018 Examination Schedule](#)

[AHS Yearbook Offer](#)

### Message from our Trustee:

With report cards coming home, this is a good time of year to review your child's progress and to set goals for the rest of the school year.

As trustees, our goals are set out in the Board [Multi-Year Plan](#). In the coming months, trustees will be reviewing and updating this plan. This process will include opportunities for public input, and trustees will be out in the communities talking about this. More information will be shared about this in the spring.

Developing and reviewing the Multi-Year Plan is just one of our responsibilities as publicly elected officials. Trustee responsibilities also include hiring the Director of Education, setting [Board policies](#) and the [annual budget](#), and communicating with the public.

This is a good time to learn more about the [role of trustees](#) with the next [municipal election](#) taking place later this year on October 22, 2018. York Region District School Board has [12 trustees](#), elected by ratepayers. As a trustee, listening and communicating with families is an important part of my role. Students, families and members of the public are welcome to attend and observe any public Board, Advisory or Board Committee meetings and to share their views with us on policy and Board governance.

As we move into the second half of the year, I hope that you are seeing evidence of your child's learning and progress, and finding opportunities to get involved in their learning and the life of the school.

I wish you all the best for a successful second term.

## Timetable Changes

Semester two begins on Monday, February 5, 2018. Aurora High School will be emailing semester two timetables to students' gapps accounts and parent emails on Monday, Jan 29, 2018. If a student requires a timetable change for second semester, they should come into Guidance during the exam period. Counsellors will see students on a drop-in basis. As always, the Guidance Department endeavours to assist and support students with timetable requests, however, the availability of courses at this time of year is limited.

## Guidance News

### **1. Final Reminder: OCAS (Ontario Colleges) APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 1, 2018**

**2. Semester 2 Course Changes:** Students may see a counsellor up until, and including Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup> by 3 p.m. regarding semester 2 course changes. Guidance will be open every day during exams for drop-ins.

Please visit the [Guidance Page on the AHS School Website](#) (January 26, 2018) for further information on:

- Registration Information for Night School & e-Learning Courses
- Scholarships
- Day School e-Learning Courses - Offered in Semester 2, February 2018
- Community Involvement Hours

## Mayor's Celebration of Youth Arts

Mayor Geoffrey Dawe & Aurora Cultural Centre Present

# Mayor's Celebration of **Youth Arts**

## February 3 - March 3, 2018

Aurora High School, Cardinal Carter CHS

Dr. G.W. Williams SS, The Collection 5 - St. Maximilian Kolbe CHS



**VISUAL ARTS NIGHT**  
Wed. February 7<sup>th</sup>  
7 - 9pm

*\*THE EXHIBITION is on display until March 3rd*



**PERFORMANCE ARTS NIGHT**  
Fri. February 9<sup>th</sup>  
7pm

22 Church St.  
905 713 1818  
auroraculturalcentre.ca  
info@auroraculturalcentre.ca

### Gallery Hours:

Tues, Thurs - Sat.: 10am - 4pm  
Wed.: 10am - 8pm



Project Proudly  
Sponsored By:



**GERANIUM**  
*From the ground up™*

### Exams:

Our exams began on January 25th and will continue through until January 31<sup>st</sup>. Students and families are able to access the most up-to-date exam schedule via the following link: [January 2018 Exams](#)

All exams during the exam period begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. If, on the morning of your child's exam, they are unable to write, please contact the school's Main Office (905) 727-3107 and speak to either of the Vice Principals to learn about next steps. If you are already aware of an issue that would prevent your child from writing their exam during their block, please contact Ms. Shiffman ([elisa.shiffman@yrdsb.ca](mailto:elisa.shiffman@yrdsb.ca)) to discuss alternatives. It is the expectation of teaching staff and administration that all students will complete their final exams. Requests to be excused for vacations cannot be entertained.

Please be advised that in the event that an Inclement Weather Day is called on an Exam Day, that exam will be postponed until Thursday, February 1st at 9:00 a.m.

## 2018 Winter Carnival (Feb 2-4) Photo Contest



**RICHMOND HILL CAMERA CLUB**

### and the



**Richmond Hill Winter Carnival**



# **Committee present the annual Winter Carnival Photo Contest**

Amateur photographers of all ages are invited to submit digital photographs taken at the  
[Richmond Hill Winter Carnival](#)

## **Winter Carnival Photo Contest**

Amateur photographers of all ages are invited to submit digital photographs taken at the  
[Richmond Hill Winter Carnival](#)

---

**You must [register](#) prior to submitting photos to this contest**

(The registration process requires a human (the contest administrator) to activate your registration request, so please be patient while the request goes to him and he activates you. You will receive an email confirming when your account is activated and you can then submit your photos.

Once you are logged in, go to [Entry Form](#) to submit photos

---

**Contest Deadline is midnight, Wednesday, February 14, 2018**

Winners will be notified and invited to attend a meeting of the  
[Richmond Hill Camera Club](#) to receive their prizes

### **Categories:**

- Tradition
- People or Animals
- Colourful

### **Contest Rules:**

- Images must be taken at the 2018 Richmond Hill Winter Carnival between February 2 and February 4, 2018
  - Each photographer may submit a maximum of three images with a maximum of 1 per category
    - Images submitted must be digital entries and in jpg format
    - The longest side of the image must not be more than 1024 pixels
      - Image size may not exceed 1000 KB (1 MB)
    - Submission deadline is midnight Friday, February 9, 2018

# **Judging Criteria:**

- Quality of work
- Appropriateness to the Winter Carnival categories as listed above.
- By entering this contest you attest that the images you have entered were taken by you at the 2018 Winter Carnival and comply with the contest rules
- No commercial application of your images is expected; consequently no model releases are being required.
- Nobody can win more than one prize

Richmond Hill Winter Carnival Committee has the right to use all images submitted for promotional and marketing purposes although the maker retains ownership and copyright and all other rights to their subsequent use.

A committee organized by the [Richmond Hill Camera Club](#) will carry out the judging of the images. Decisions of the judges will be final.

Thank you to the Winter Carnival Committee for providing the photo contest prizes. First, second and third place prizes in each category will be awarded. No entrant may win more than one prize.

For information or assistance, email [carnival@rhcameraclub.ca](mailto:carnival@rhcameraclub.ca)

## **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.**