

BENGAL BULLETIN

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BAYVIEW
SECONDARY SCHOOL



CLASS TIMES

P1	8:45 am - 10:05 am
P2	10:10 am - 11:25 am
P3	11:30 am - 12:45 pm
P4	12:50 pm - 2:05 pm
P5	2:10 pm - 3:25 pm

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FROM THE OFFICE

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1. AVIAN BIRD FLU AT POND
2. GUIDANCE UPDATE-Course Selection
3. INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES THAT ARE MOVING
4. COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES

Important Notice:

York Public Health has reported Avian Flu activity at the pond near the school. Avian Flu is highly contagious-please do not touch any wildlife and report any concerns to administration. Help us remind our students to avoid the pond area.

Course Selection for 2025-2026 school year starts in the new year. Here is the [link](#) to the tab where information will be posted. Stay tuned.

LOOKING AHEAD @ BAYVIEW

February 17th	Family Day-no school
February 18th	School Council Meeting in Library 7:00 p.m
February 20th	SEMI-FORMAL @ PARADISE BANQUET HALL
February 21st	COURSE SELECTION CLOSSES TODAY!
February 26th	York Region Public Health Immunizations
February 27th	Elections Ontario Site



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GUIDANCE UPDATES REGARDING COURSE SELECTION

Course Selection for the 2025-2026 year is now open. Since January, guidance counsellors have been visiting classes to support course selection. The course selection presentations and webinars are posted on the Guidance page of the school website. Students have access to additional resources on the Guidance google website. Course Selection closes on February 21. This includes parent/guardian approval. Once your child submits their course selection, you receive an email from MyBlueprint. Click the large green button to approve. If this action is not completed by February 21, then your child's course selection is incomplete.

MOVING OVER THE SUMMER?

As we begin our planning for the 2025-2026 school year, we kindly ask you to inform the school office if your family has plans to move over the summer, or if your children will not be returning in September for any reason. This information helps us to ensure a smooth transition for all students and to make necessary staffing arrangements for the upcoming academic year.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and helps us in planning effectively for the new school year. Thank you for your support.

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Black History Month Events in the YRDSB

Celebrating Black History Month / BHM365 Events 2025

* Dates and Events subject to change

Student Events and Family Engagement (please share with your school community)

Date and Time	Event Information/Details	Location
February 3, 2025 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. J.M. Denison H.S.	Join us for an inspiring evening as we celebrate Black History Month with interactive performances, student showcases and dinner. This event will feature: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interactive Performances • Student Showcases • Dinner will be provided 	In person
February 12, 2025 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Bill Hogarth S.S.		
February 19, 2025 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Alexander Mackenzie H.S.	Please join us to celebrate the rich history and contributions of the Black Community while creating meaningful connections and memories together. Looking forward to celebrating together!	
February 25, 2025 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Tommy Douglas S.S.	Register Here	
Staff Workshops		
Understanding and Navigating the Education System - Families of YRDSB Black Students Monthly Information Sessions		
February 24, 2025 Virtually 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Families, parents, caregivers, please join us for our monthly virtual meeting where families with Black children come together to learn about resources and upcoming programs for Black students in both elementary and secondary schools. Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inclusion Activity • Course Selection and Pathway Planning • Upcoming Programs and Events • Question and Answer Session Register Here	Online - Register to Receive link

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1M71F1NVT2JoEWUQno01sCWCOctxRWhJU/view?usp=sharing>

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A Compassionate Approach to Support Your Child's emotional well-being

This session in Mandarin and Cantonese will share tips on ways that lead your child to understand and manage their emotions in a constructive way. We aim to foster their mental well-being and equip them with coping skills that serve them throughout their lives.

本次研討會將探討如何幫助你的孩子理解和以建設性的方式處理他們的情緒。我們的目標是促進他們的心理健康，並為他們提供應對技巧，讓他們終生受益。

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To register for a Mandarin session:
[点击这里报名普通话讲座](#) or scan QR code



To register for a Cantonese session:
[點擊這裡報名粵語講座](#) or scan the QR code



Parents, Guardians, Caregiver and Students

Join us to learn and share with your community how the families are supported!

Date: **Tuesday, Feb 25, 2025**

Time: **6:00pm-7:00pm (Mandarin 普通话)**

7:00pm-8:00pm (Cantonese 粵語)

Location: **Virtually**

Presenters:

Hannah Xu (MPH)

Hong Fook Mental Health Association
Youth Program Worker

Charmaine Tong (M.S.W., R.S.W.)

York Region District School Board
Community Care Social Worker (Chinese Heritage Community)

For more information, please contact:

Community Care Social Worker (Chinese Heritage)
Charmaine Tong
charmaine.tong@yrdsb.ca

This free session is brought to you in partnership with Hong Fook Mental Health Association and Community Care Team of York Region District School Board

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Black History Month Celebration

Join us for an inspiring evening as we celebrate Black History Month with interactive performances, student showcases and dinner.

Dates: Monday, February 3, 2025, at Dr. J.M. Denison H.S.
Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at Bill Hogarth S.S.
Wednesday, February 19, 2025, at Alexander Mackenzie H.S.
Thursday, February 27, 2025, at Tommy Douglas S.S.

Time: 6:00-8:00 p.m.

This event will feature:

- Interactive Performances
- Student Showcases
- Dinner will be provided

Please join us to celebrate the rich history and contributions of the Black Community while creating meaningful connections and memories together. Looking forward to celebrating together!

To Register

Please fill out a [registration form](#) by **January 31, 2025**.

If you have any further questions, please reach out to blackstudentexcellence@yrdsb.ca



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Student and Family Supports

Here are a few resources to help navigate any difficult situations that may arise.

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	YOUR SUPPORT SERVICES NETWORK ☎ 1-855-310-COPE (2673)
	Suicide Prevention Canada ☎ Call 988 📠 Text 988
	Black Youth Helpline ☎ 1-833-294-8650
	youthline 25 YEARS OF YOUTH RESILIENCE ☎ 647-694-4275

MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS

