

# BENGAL BULLETIN

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**BAYVIEW**  
SECONDARY SCHOOL



## CLASS TIMES

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

## FROM THE OFFICE

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### Course Selection for Next School Year

Thank you to families who have approved their child's course selection. However, there are outstanding approvals. Your child's course selection remains incomplete without parent/guardian completing the approval portion. Please check for an email from My Blueprint to approve the course selection.

### Graduation Photos- New Spots Available

We have confirmed that the graduation photo company will be here on March 18-19 to accommodate any students who have not taken their graduation photos. Lifetouch will set up on-line appointments shortly. These are not 'retakes', this is an opportunity for students who could not set up an appointment the first time the photographer was here.

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## LOOKING AHEAD @ BAYVIEW

February 21st	COURSE SELECTION CLOSES TODAY @ 3:00
February 26th	York Region Public Health Immunizations Gr 11
February 27th	Elections Ontario Site
March 10-14	MARCH BREAK
March 18-19	Graduation Photos (New Spots Available Soon)

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## **Bayview SS is An Election Site**

Our school will serve as a polling station for the upcoming elections taking place in our area.

We are pleased to host members of our community who will come to vote at our school. It provides a great opportunity to discuss the democratic process with students. I would encourage you to talk to your children about the important role voting plays in our democratic society.

As we will have community members attending our school to vote, you may see increased traffic around the school, as well as reduced parking. We will be doing everything possible to minimize disruptions. I appreciate your understanding.

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## **IB Corner**

This week Grade 11 IB students were introduced to the Extended Essay process. We are offering drop-in Q&A sessions after school on Wednesdays leading up to and after the March Break.

- Students are encouraged to come by to ask questions and share their ideas to make sure that are selecting viable projects.
- The deadline to submit their subject and topic proposals is Wednesday, March 26. They will be matched with mentors after they complete their proposals.

Grade 11 students should be regularly updating their CAS and Grade 12s should be thinking about finishing touches.

- Students are welcome to come by the IB office to chat about progress and challenges as required throughout the semester.

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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.  February 12, 2025 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Bill Hogarth S.S. <b>CANCELLED</b>  February 19, 2025 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Alexander Mackenzie H.S.  February 25, 2025 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Tommy Douglas S.S.  March 5, 2025 6:00p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Bill Hogarth S.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"> <li>• Interactive Performances</li> <li>• Student Showcases</li> <li>• Dinner will be provided</li> </ul> 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!  <a href="#">Register Here</a> <a href="#">Original Flyer</a> <a href="#">Updated Flyer</a>	In person
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"> <li>• Inclusion Activity</li> <li>• Course Selection and Pathway Planning</li> <li>• Upcoming Programs and Events</li> <li>• Question and Answer Session</li> </ul> <a href="#">Register Here</a>	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:

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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](mailto: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.

	<b>KIDS HELP PHONE</b> 1-800-668-6868 686868 KIDSHELPPHONE.CA
	<b>YOUR SUPPORT SERVICES NETWORK</b> 1-855-310-COPE (2673)
	<b>Suicide Prevention Canada</b> Call 988 Text 988
	<b>Black Youth Helpline</b> 1-833-294-8650
	<b>youthline</b> 25 YEARS OF YOUTH RESILIENCE 647-694-4275

**MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS**



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