

# BENGAL BULLETIN

A Diversity Community Learning Together

**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

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## FROM THE OFFICE

*As we conclude this semester, I want to express my gratitude for your continued support and dedication to your child's education. This period marks not only the end of one chapter but also the exciting beginning of another. With the new semester ahead, our students have a fresh start filled with new learning opportunities and experiences. I wish all our students the very best on their remaining exams and look forward to seeing them thrive in the upcoming term.*

*BSS Administration*

### PD Day Schedule- January 31st 2025

Full Day of Professional activities focused on violence prevention tools and techniques, supporting multilingual language learners, exploring equitable assessment, utilizing the Text Selection Tool, and school improvement planning aligning instructional practices with the curriculum.

**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

January 27-28	Semester 1 Final Exams
January 31st	PD Day
February 3rd	Semester 2 Begins
February 13th	Semi Formal - Paradise Banquet Center





## EXAMINATION SCHEDULE AND INFO:

All exams begin at 9:00 a.m.

### **Remaining Exam Dates Please be aware of the following:**

- January 27th: Period 2 Exams
- January 28th: Period 3 Exams

Students are expected to leave the school quickly and quietly at the end of their exam.

### **Attendance during exams:**

- Students who arrive late for an examination must report to the Main Office attendance secretary immediately.
- Students who are late will ONLY be given the time remaining on the examination in progress. Should a situation arise as a result of an emergency, an administrator may give special consideration for the student to write the exam for the allotted time.
- Students missing an examination due to illness, bereavement or a court appearance must notify the school immediately (905-884-4453). Students must provide verification from the appropriate authority (i.e. illness requires a doctor's note indicating that the student is not able to write the exam on the respective day). Medical notes and other verification must be given to Ms. Cowan (VP) in the Main Office.
- Vacation time, extra curricular activities, employment and appointments must not be planned during the scheduled exam period. All exams must be written at the scheduled time and place.
- Students who are NOT legitimately absent for an examination will be given a mark of zero for the exam portion of the course.

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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)



FEBRUARY

BLACK  
HISTORY  
MONTH



Supreme Court  
of Canada

THE SUPREME COURT OF CANADA'S

150

ANNIVERSARY



ART CONTEST

Young artists, show us your creativity and help us mark the Supreme Court of Canada's 150th anniversary! We're looking for drawings, paintings or other graphic artwork illustrating the history and future of the Court as we commemorate its 150th year.

The contest is open to all young artists residing in Canada who will be between the age of 5 and 17 at the time of the artwork submission.

### DEADLINE

Your artwork has to be received no later than January 31, 2025.

For more information and contest rules, visit:

[scc-csc.ca/150](http://scc-csc.ca/150)



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## Understanding and Navigating the Education System



presented by

THE CENTRE FOR  
BLACK STUDENT EXCELLENCE

### Families of YRDSB Black Students Monthly Information Session

**Monday, January 27, 2025**  
**6:30 - 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:

- Inclusion Activity
- Course Selection and Pathway Planning
- Upcoming Programs and Events
- Question and Answer Session

**Please register ASAP.**

**A Zoom meeting link will be sent after registration.**

Let us come together to empower our students and build a stronger community.

We look forward to seeing you there.



**Register now.**

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## Indigenous Languages and International Languages (ILIL) Program

The York Region District School Board offers language learning for students in the elementary level (SK to Grade 8) and at the secondary level (Grades 9 to 12).

### Elementary

The elementary courses are extra-curricular language learning available for in-person or online classes. Classes are 2.5 hours and run once a week between Tuesday to Friday evenings (6:00 PM to 8:30 PM) or Saturday mornings (9:30 AM to 12:00 PM<sup>\*</sup>).

Online registration opens on **Thursday, May 30, 2024**. To attend the full language program in its entirety, be sure to register by **Monday, September 9, 2024**.

<sup>\*</sup> For more information about the elementary program, visit the ILIL [Elementary webpage](#) or scan the QR code:



### Secondary

The secondary courses are credit-bearing, running once a week for 3.7 hours. Fall classes are year-long, running once a week on Wednesday evenings (5:45 PM to 9:25 PM) or Saturday mornings (8:45 AM to 12:25 PM).

Fall registration will open in mid-July and will close by the third week of classes.

For more updates and information about the secondary credit program, visit the ILIL [Secondary webpage](#) or scan the QR code:



### Please Note:

- All courses offered are subject to enrolment and teacher availability.
- Stacked classes may be created based on registration numbers.
- Not all languages are offered at the elementary and secondary levels.
- Additional fees are required for international fee-paying visa students.

### Languages Offered:

Arabic  
Cantonese  
Dari  
Farsi  
Filipino  
German  
Greek  
Gujarati  
Hebrew  
Hindi  
Italian  
Japanese  
Korean  
Macedonian  
Mandarin (Both)  
Mandarin (Simplified)  
Mandarin (Traditional)  
Mohawk  
Punjabi  
Ojibwe  
Russian  
Sanskrit  
Sinhala  
Spanish  
Tamil  
Turkish  
Ukrainian  
Urdu  
Vietnamese  
Yoruba



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Inclusive School and Community Services, in partnership with the Canadian Centre for Housing Rights, is offering:

## **Tenants' Housing Rights**

**Free Virtual Workshops: January – April 2025**

### **Guest Speakers:**

Ayesha Adamjee, Program Lawyer, Canadian Centre for Housing Rights  
Matthew Cheng, Program Lawyer, Canadian Centre for Housing Rights  
Jessica Long, Program Lawyer, Canadian Centre for Housing Rights

### **Session Dates and Topics:**

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|---|---------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> January 20, 9:30 AM  | – Rental Housing Basics   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> February 4, 1:00 PM  | – Eviction Prevention     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> February 19, 6:30 PM | – Human Rights in Housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March 6, 9:30 AM     | – Repairs and Maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March 19, 1:00 PM    | – Rental Housing Basics   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 3, 6:30 PM     | – Eviction Prevention     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 15, 9:30 AM    | – Human Rights in Housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 30, 6:30 PM    | – Repairs and Maintenance |

All parents, guardians and staff are welcome to attend any of the free virtual workshops.

Once you register, we will send you invites and links to the workshops.

Please [REGISTER](#) here.

### **For more information, contact:**

Yvonne Kelly, Community and Partnership Developer at [jscs@yrdsb.ca](mailto:jscs@yrdsb.ca)  
or 905-895-5155 ext. 5124

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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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	<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

