

# 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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## A MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE

Dear Families, As part of the York Region District School Board's Math Achievement Action Plan, our school is committed to enhancing student success in mathematics through improved teaching strategies, in-class support, and access to resources.

Your input is valuable in helping us better understand how current resources are supporting your child's learning and how we can continue to improve. Please take a moment to complete the 2 question [Family Feedback Survey on Math Resources](https://bit.ly/YRDSBFamilyMathSurvey) (<https://bit.ly/YRDSBFamilyMathSurvey>) and share your thoughts on the math resources available to your child to support learning at home and in the classroom. Please complete this survey by **Friday, June 6, 2025**.

## LOOKING AHEAD @ BAYVIEW

May 27th	DECA Banquet
May 28th	Music Banquet & Arts Night
May 29th	PROM
May 30th	BLAST Training Day
June 5th	Relay for Life
June 18-24	Final Exams-Detailed Schedule to follow



ALL EXAMS BEGIN AT 9:00 AM

**Wed. June 18th Period 5 Class**

**Thurs. June 19th Period 1 Class .**

**Fri. June 20th Period 2 Class**

**Mon. June 23rd Period 3 Class**

**Tues. June 24th Period 4 Class**

## **VAPE DETECTORS AT BAYVIEW SS**

Vape Sensors will be installed in student washrooms in our school. Installation will begin at Bayview within 2-4 weeks. This installation will be taking place outside of normal schools hours starting around 3:30 pm. Please remind your child that administration will be alerted of any vaping that is detected in any of our student washrooms. School consequences will follow if students are caught vaping in our washrooms.



## **GUIDANCE NEWS-Ontario Universities Offers**

A friendly reminder June 2<sup>nd</sup> is the deadline to accept an offer to an Ontario university. Guidance highly recommends not to wait for the last day. The reasons being the system can crash or there is an issue when accepting the offer and your child needs to contact OUAC or the university. Students would have received an acceptance by now. When you accept an offer, please make sure that your child has received a confirmation email of the acceptance. Without this email, there is no assurance the offer was accepted. If your child needs support, they can either book an appointment with Guidance or email their guidance counsellor. OSAP is open for students and families to complete. Here is the [link](#) to begin the application.

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**Ryan Akhavan** was nominated by multiple officials from the city of Richmond Hill and he was selected among nominees as the winner of the YOUTH VOLUNTEER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD.

He has been volunteering in Richmond Hill for over 2.5 years each summer and during the school year on his free time.

We are proud of your accomplishments Ryan!



Congratulations to **Diana Varzideh** (EWC4U) who has won the 2025 Remembrance Day Writing Contest for the Royal Legion -for the second year in a row! Diana will receive her award and celebrate her poetry at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 375 on May 28th. Prom. Diana accomplished the following:

**Diana Varzideh - Bayview Secondary School**

- 1st Place Legion level
- 1st Place Zone level
- 2nd Place District level

Well done Diana! We are proud of you!

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## BAYVIEW ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Two of our students experimenting with welding tools in our technology class.



**Congratulations** to Billy Qiu and Sahand Daemyaghdam who were our top finishers in the Canadian Chemistry Contest. Their combination of test results and written essay has earned them both a Certificate of Merit. Sahand and Billy were also our top finishers in the school for the Canadian Chemistry Olympiad.



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## OSDUHS Survey

The Ontario Student Drug Use and Health Survey ([OSDUHS](#)) is an anonymous population health survey of students in grades 7 to 12 in Ontario's publicly funded schools. The survey has been conducted by the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) every two years since 1977 with the purpose of identifying population trends in, and risk/protective factors related to, student drug use (e.g., alcohol, cannabis, vapes), mental health (e.g., symptoms of depression, suicide, self-harm), physical health (e.g., screen time, physical activity), bullying, gambling, and social media. The OSDUHS is the longest ongoing school survey in Canada and one of the longest in the world, and is a leading source of information about the health of Ontario students. Once again, the York Region Public Health Department is collaborating with CAMH during this cycle of the OSDUHS and oversampling students in York Region. The health department has participated in the OSDUHS since 2009.

**8 of our classes will be completing this survey on May 28th. Consent forms have been sent home with those students who will be participating.**

## IB Corner

**Congratulations** to our Grade 11 and 12 IB students who have completed their May 2025 IB exams!! Results will be available July 6 and students will receive login information to view their personal details in the coming weeks.

We will be hosting a casual pot-luck picnic on Tuesday, May 27 to celebrate the end of exams, and award the IB House Cup! It's an opportunity to relax and reminisce about the various CAS experiences we have had over the year.

Grade 11 students are encouraged to continue working on their EEs and CAS portfolios. We will be hosting check in sessions and workshops each week for the remainder of the school year.



Let's get wheeling! The annual Bike to School Week rolls in from June 2 to 6, 2025.

Bike to School Week provides an opportunity for students to try riding a bike to school for the first time, learn new skills, connect with others, or have fun exploring the neighbourhood and nature.

Your school can celebrate during the designated week or choose another week that works best for your school. For resources to support your event visit [Ontario Active School Travel](#).

## When cycling, remember to:

1. Wear a properly fitting helmet. Every cyclist under 18 must wear a bike helmet.
2. Air Brakes Chain – Check your bike's tires, brakes and chain before you start riding.
3. Ensure your bike has a working bell, white light or reflector at the front, and a red light or reflector at the back. For information and to learn more visit the [Government of Ontario's bicycle safety information](#).
4. Cross at crosswalks, if there is one. Walk beside your bike when crossing the road.
5. Watch for cars backing out of driveways and turning at intersections.
6. Lock your bike in bike racks.
7. Be visible and dress for the weather.

For anyone who can't walk or cycle to school every day, we encourage you to try choosing an active mode of travel two or three times a week, or consider parking and walking a block to decrease the pollution around your school.

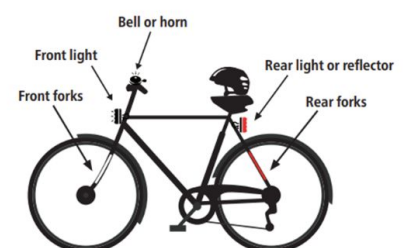
### Cycling Safety Factsheet

Be Seen - Be Heard - Be Safe

#### Did you know?

Ontario law requires that you equip your bike with:

- ✓ White reflective tape on the front forks and red reflective tape on the rear forks
- ✓ A white front light and a red rear light or reflector if you ride between 1/2 hour before sunset and 1/2 hour after sunrise
- ✓ A bell or horn that works



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Autism Ontario x Variety Village  
Now hiring

## 1:1 CAMP COUNSELLOR

7 WEEKS  
JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> – AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>



We are seeking compassionate, enthusiastic, and dedicated individuals to serve as Summer Camp Counsellors for individuals with autism. Counsellors will work closely with campers to provide one-on-one support, ensuring a positive and engaging experience. If you are patient, creative, and excited to make a difference in the lives of individuals of all ages, this is the perfect opportunity for you! **This is a 7 week commitment.**

Based in Richmond Hill, ON

For any inquiries please email: [volcampssitedirector@varietyontario.ca](mailto:volcampssitedirector@varietyontario.ca)

## Gutsy Walk

Sunday June 1st, 2025  
[gutsywalk.ca](http://gutsywalk.ca)

York Region  
Richmond Green Park  
1300 Elgin Mills Rd E

You can make it happen.  
Volunteer for Gutsy Walk.



crohn's colitis

## Volunteer Opportunities & Job Opportunities

**Autism Ontario & Variety Village** is offering a summer job opportunity for high school students especially those looking to pursue careers in social work, education, child and youth studies, or who are involved in programs like Best Buddies or peer mentorship. They are currently hiring 1:1 Camp Counsellors for their inclusive summer camp programs running in July and August 2025. This is a paid position where counsellors will work one-on-one with campers on the autism spectrum, supporting them in a fun, inclusive, and active camp environment. No previous experience is necessary—training and ongoing support will be provided. Apply here:

<https://autismontario.campbrainstaff.com/> See flyer for more info.

The **City of Vaughan** is looking for volunteers for our upcoming event, **Festa d'Italia** on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at Boyd Conservation Park located at 8739 Islington Ave. See flyer for detail.

**Crohn's and Colitis Canada** is hosting the **Gutsy Walk** to raise awareness and funds in support of those affected with Crohn's and Colitis in Richmond Hill. We are looking for student volunteers for our event. This year's event will take place in **Richmond Green Park** on **Sunday June 1st, 2025** from approximately **9:00am to 2:00pm**. A pizza lunch will also be provided to our volunteers. All student volunteers will receive community service hours for their hard work (~ 5-10 hours if training needed). For more info:

<https://crohnsandcolitiscanada.akaraisin.com/ui/GutsyWalk2025>

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## GRADUATION INFORMATION- BOUQUET ORDERS FOR GRADUATION

Families interested in pre-ordering flowers for their graduates are invited to visit the website below. All online orders will be available for pickup on site the day of the graduation. To retrieve your order, please stop by our booth located conveniently at the entrance to the graduation before the ceremony begins.

<https://www.thecommencementgroup.com/bayviews/>

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## A VARIETY OF RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES:

### Understanding and Navigating the Education System



presented by

THE CENTRE FOR  
BLACK STUDENT EXCELLENCE

#### Families of YRDSB Black Students Monthly Information Session

**Monday, May 26, 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:

- Welcome and Engagement Exercise
- Presentation - Black Student Alliance: Building Community, Empowering Voices
- 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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## SCHOLARSHIPS FOR BLACK STUDENTS (BFCN SCHOLARSHIPS 2025)

### Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN) 14th Annual Scholarships Application

This year, BFCN will be awarding four \$1000 scholarships to qualifying students pursuing education at an accredited Canadian University or College in September 2025. Two scholarships will be awarded to undergraduate students and two scholarships will be awarded to graduate students. [Learn more and register](#) by July 31, 2025.

### Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN) 11th Annual Aim 2 Achieve Awards Application

The Aim 2 Achieve Award will recognize Black students who are celebrating achievement after facing adversity. This year BFCN will be awarding two Aim 2 Achieve awards. The recipients of the \$1000 award will be students graduating from a Canadian secondary school or CEGEP and who will be attending an accredited Canadian University or College in September 2025 to pursue undergraduate education. Perseverance and dedication are two qualities that the Aim 2 Achieve winners must embody and believe in. Achievement exists in many different forms and we want to hear about yours! [Learn more and register](#) by July 31, 2025.

### Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN) Scholarship Directory 2025

The [BFCN Scholarship Directory](#) is a free, detailed, and up-to-date compilation of 50+ available scholarships, awards, and bursaries for youth pursuing post-secondary education primarily at the undergraduate level. This directory was created to support Black students and their families, educators, guidance counselors, and coaches search, find, and apply for funding opportunities.

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## *Jewish Heritage* *Month Celebration*

### CHALLAH BAKE EVENT

**Date:** Thursday, May 29, 2025

**Time:** 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

**Location:** Langstaff Secondary School

**Address:** 106 Garden Avenue, Richmond Hill



**Celebrate Tradition. Create Together.  
Share in the Joy.**

Join us as we celebrate the richness, resilience, and history of Jewish communities! Roll up your sleeves and learn how to braid challah, the symbolic Jewish bread.

**Open to all YRDSB students, families, and staff**

Please [register here](#) by Thursday, May 22, 2025.





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## STUDENT SIN & SUMMER JOB BANK CLINIC SPRING 2025

Students, Parents and Guardians

Meet with a Service Canada representative and receive your  
Social Insurance Number on the Spot!

Service Canada representatives will be at the following schools to help students and newcomers apply for their Social Insurance Numbers, learn about the Canada Job Bank and Summer Program for Youth and the Federal Dental Program!

Children 12 years of age or older may apply for their SIN. Parents, legal guardians or legal representatives can apply for a SIN for children under the age of majority in their province, and for adults in their care.

**Time: 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Location	What to Bring	Primary Document	Secondary Document	Benefits
<b>April 9, 2025</b> Richmond Hill H.S. 201 Yorkland, Richmond Hill	A primary identification document and a secondary document such as a passport or provincial identification.  You would need to bring your original primary document, <b>no photocopies accepted.</b>	Permanent Resident Card <b>or a</b> Confirmation of Permanent Residence <b>or</b> A Study Permit/Work Permit/Visitor Record issued by IRCC which indicates the permit holder "may accept employment" or "may work" in Canada	or A Certificate of Birth or Birth Certificate issued by the vital statistics agency in the province or territory of birth	Be job ready for summer employment by receiving your Social Insurance Number.  Learn about the Job Bank and Canada Summer Jobs program for Youth.
<b>April 10, 2025</b> Tommy Douglas S.S. 4020 Major Mackenzie Dr. West, Woodbridge				
<b>April 15, 2025</b> Hodan Nalayeh S.S. 1401 Clark W. Thornhill				
<b>April 16, 2025</b> Keswick S.S. 100 Biscayne Blvd. Keswick				
<b>April 24, 2025</b> Sutton H.S. 5147 Baseline Rd, Sutton				
<b>May 1, 2025</b> Woodbridge College 71 Bruce St. Woodbridge				
<b>May 6, 2025</b> Alexander Mackenzie H.S. 300 Major Mackenzie Dr. W. Richmond Hill				

This free service is brought to our school communities through a joint project with Service Canada and York Region District School Board.

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## **Educators For Tamil Students' Success (ETSS) 'UUKKAMATHU KAIVIDALE' Excellence Award 2025**

*Celebrating*  
Tamil Students' Success

**Thursday, June 5th, 2025**

*Reception at 6:00 pm*  
Ceremony 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

### **Richmond Green Secondary School**

1 William F. Bell Pkwy, Richmond Hill, ON L4S 2T9

Each school is requested to nominate **up to two** students  
from Grades 7 to 12 for demonstrating success in the following areas:

(A student can be nominated for more than one category.)

Perseverance

Arts

Academics

Athletics

Citizenship

**[Submit Nominations](#) by Wednesday, May 14, 2025**

**For additional information, contact Suganja Sinnathamby**

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