BAYVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

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What Families Want to Know About De-Streaming

Parents and guardians, please take a look at this math de-streaming FAQ regarding our upcoming de-streamed grade 9 math program for next year – Please see this link

Drop-in Community-Based COVID-19 Testing

Please see this link for sites, dates and times

COVID-19 Vaccines - Webinars (Cantonese and Mandarin) COVID-19及新冠疫苗專題研討會

Please see this link for date and time

Parents for Children's Mental Health Workshop

Monday, May 10th 6:30-8pm. Virtual Meeting. Please see this link for more information.

Career Discovery Expo: Dream Big York

Students in grades 7 - 12 and their parents/guardians are invited to attend the *Career Discovery Expo: Dream Big York* on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 from 6:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. ET.

This FREE event provides students and their families the opportunity to explore a wide range of career paths.

Asian and South Asian Heritage Month - May 2021

May is Asian and South Asian Heritage Month in Ontario. In May 2002, the Government of Canada officially declared May as Asian Heritage Month. At the provincial level, the Legislative Assembly of Ontario designated May as South Asian Heritage Month in 2001 and as Asian Heritage Month in 2005. The South Asian Heritage Act of 2001 established the foundation upon which South Asians, whose origins are or can be traced to the Indian subcontinent, can see themselves reflected and valued in the fabric of Ontario and our schools, and appreciated for their extensive contributions to Canada. In May 2002, the Government of Canada signed an official declaration to designate May as Asian Heritage Month. This acknowledges the long and rich history of Asian Canadians from East Asia, Southern Asia, Western and Southeast Asia and their contributions to significant Canada.

As we approach the month of May, parents, staff and students are encouraged to join Ontarians and Canadians who will be coming together to understand, affirm and appreciate the vibrant heritage of people of Asian and South Asian descent. We will continue to work with our school community to recognize, honour, affirm, and celebrate Asian and South Asian identities and experiences.

Jewish Heritage Month – May 2021

Canadian Jewish Heritage Month was given Royal Assent in the Senate of Canada on March 29, 2018. As we approach the month of May, parents, staff and students are encouraged to engage in opportunities that celebrate and affirm Jewish histories and the achievements of the Jewish community.

Canada is home to the fourth largest Jewish population in the world. There are close to 400,000 Jewish residents in Canada, and almost half of that number reside in Ontario. Jewish settlers in Canada can be traced as far back as 1760. Jewish Canadians have proudly contributed to Canadian heritage in all of its facets including the military, the arts, government, business, academia, law, medicine, culture, and sports. Throughout the month of May, we celebrate the contributions Jewish Canadians make in communities across the country.

The Career Discovery Expo: Dream Big York will feature:

- Dream Maker Panel: Women from various industries share their stories and inspire young women.
- **Employer Spotlight**: Employers share their "look fors" when hiring new employees and ways to gain experience early.
- Pathway Spotlight: College, University and OYAP representatives share the different pathway programs available, scholarships, courses etc.
- Games, Prizes

To register, please visit: <u>dreambigyork.eventbrite.ca</u>



Guidance Message - Apr 30th

Semester 2 Guidance Counsellors:

Guidance Counsellor	Student <u>last</u> name starts with:	Extensions	Email
Ms. Garito	A to F	412	Maureen.Garito@yrdsb.ca
Ms. Jarrett	G to Lim	410	Keri.jarrett@yrdsb.ca
Ms. Shah	Lin to Sh	413	Sheila. Shah@yrdsb.ca
Ms. Won	Si to Z	411	Joon.Won@yrdsb.ca
Ms. Chen	Guidance Secretary	409	<u>Iris.chen@yrdsb.ca</u>

Please use Teach Assist to book an appointment with your alpha guidance counsellor. **Appointments will be done over the phone.** Email your counsellor ahead of time if you want them to call you on a personal cell number.

Guidance on Social Media

Instagram: @bss.guidance
Twitter: @BayviewGuidance

Volunteer Opportunities

Ray of Hope Charity Garden is looking for volunteers for the upcoming 2021 growing season! Please refer to the poster attached for more details. If you are interested, do not hesitate to fill out the following form: tinyurl.com/rayofhopevolunteer. Let's make a difference in our community, one plant at a time! Here is a link to other volunteer opportunities listed on the Guidance webpage.

Guidance is **ONLY** collecting **up to 40** hours. If you volunteer more than 40 hours, hold onto the forms for the purpose of resume building, graduation awards, and post-secondary supplementary applications. Here is a <u>link</u> to the form. Students who need approval for a volunteer opportunity can email their alpha counsellor for approval. Make sure to include in the email the name of the organization, the supervisor name and phone number. If you have completed your hours, email a <u>SCANNED</u> copy to your alpha counsellor. Mobile phones now have a free scan feature.

Graduating students: you ONLY have to complete 20 hours of community involvement.

LEAPP Leaders Wanted

We have a new mentorship program starting at Bayview next year. The LEAPP Leaders will be a new mentorship program beginning at Bayview in the Fall 2021. It stands for Leadership, Engagement, and Participation Program.

We are looking for dedicated, and motivated students to work as a team and be at the very inception of the program. Some of your duties will include planning and initiating team building events, creating and participating in fun and engaging sessions for our members and collaborating with staff and fellow classmates to help students new at the school to "Leap into life at Bayview S.S".

If you are interested in becoming a LEAPP Leader, please complete the application form t.ly/tM9l

OUAC & OCAS Next Submission

Guidance has sent the marks to OCAS and OUAC. Please review the submission. If you are taking a private school course, it is their responsibility to upload the mark.

Students that have received offers from Ontario Colleges the final day to accept an offer is May 1st.

Full Disclosure

Senior students with 23 completed credits that wish to drop a course, the full disclosure date is June 3. Speak to your Guidance Counsellor if you want more specific information. Students can only drop a course if they have 4 courses in YRDSB this semester.

Graduating Students Wanting to take a Gap Year

Are feeling unsure, anxious, or overwhelmed about your future? Are you considering to take a year to work and network before going to Post-Secondary? Discovery Year is offering a Spring Open House on Tuesday, May 4th to learn more.

Awards & Financing Your Education

Grads if you haven't filled out the Grad Awards form to be considered for Bayview Awards, please do so ASAP. Here is the <u>link</u>. Please visit the <u>Graduation</u> page of the Bayview Website for the application and details.

Grade 12 students check the Gr12 Guidance Google Classroom for updated info on scholarships, OSAP, bursaries etc.

STEAM Job or Volunteer Opportunity

The STEAM Project is hiring staff and volunteers to teach kids Science, Technology, and Design. Joining our team means inspiring kids while learning new skills yourself while working alongside University and College students in STEAM fields. Grade 9s can apply to our CIT program, Grade 10+ can volunteer with us, and Grade 11/12 can join our staff. Explore our opportunities here About The STEAM Project. Instructions for applying are on the last slide.

US College Expo

Prepskills, a private organization, is hosting a US College Expo on Saturday, May 1st. Here is the link.

Seneca College and York University

Seneca College and York University will be hosting a virtual drop in Q&A on Wednesday, May 5 from 3 PM to 4PM for students looking to learn more about pathways from Seneca to York. We will discuss admission requirements, transfer credit process and support services available. If you would like to attend, please fill out our <u>registration</u>.

Summer School Update

Summer credit programs will be offered through two learning models. Both are open for registration through MyPathwayPlanner. Please refer to the email sent to student GAPPS on April 20th. Students should not be choosing courses for summer school that they have chosen for September. Registration for summer School coop is open. Please refer to the April 23 Guidance Message for details. **Guidance is not collecting the sign-off sheet for summer school as we are virtual**.

Gentle reminder, course selection on myBlueprint has been closed since the end of February. Students cannot change anything on My Blueprint in their High School Planner. As per the course selection presentation and numerous emails, course selection was completed in February. If you made changes during Verification in March those changes are not reflected in myBlueprint. You will not be able to see the changes until September.

Community Resources and Mental Health

Students and families looking for Mental Health resources, School Mental Health Ontario has launched a new website with resources. Here is the link.

Visit the Guidance webpage for a list of Mental Health and Community resources for both students and families. Here is the <u>link</u>.

Student Council (StuCo)

Hey Bengals, have you checked out StuCo's webpage? Lots of great resources and updates you don't want to miss. Here is the <u>link</u>.

Volunteer Opportunity

Here are some search engines you can use to find volunteer opportunities

- 1. www.volunteermatch.org
- 2. www.sparkontario.ca
- 3. www.neighbourhoodnetwork.org
- 4. Write Cards to the Elderly

Online Start-up Forms

One completed form is required for each student attending Bayview Secondary School.

For parents and students who have not yet filled out the start-up forms that were sent out at the beginning of the school year, please ensure you fill out the forms here:

- Families and Students 18 and Over: https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/.
- Secondary school students (Under 18): https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/students..

Serious Student Medical Concerns

As a reminder, if your child does not have a health care plan at school and has a serious medical condition, please contact the office. The different categories for medical consideration include: Anaphylaxis, asthma, diabetes, epilepsy and other serious medical conditions.

COVID-19 Screening Tool Reminders

Thank you for ensuring that your children are using the **updated** York Region Public Health <u>Screening Tool</u> prior to coming to school. If your child answers "Yes" to any of the questions, you must be aware of the expectations outlined at the bottom of the tool which include staying home and isolating.

Visitors to Bayview S.S.

All visitors will be entered into our electronic Visitor Log This includes, but is not limited to:

- Parents/Guardians and other caregivers
- Students who are not expected to be in attendance (e.g. Cohort A coming on the wrong day)
- New Registrations (by appointment only)
- School authorized service providers
- Contractors
- Delivery and mail service workers
- Board couriers
- Virtual School Teachers who need to access materials

Parents and students are reminded to not walk into the building without an appointment. Please call the school at 905-884-4453 to make an appointment.

All permitted visitors must:

- 1. self-screen
- 2. sanitize their hands
- 3. wear a face covering at all times
- 4. maintain a two-metre physical distance as they enter, move through and exit the building.

If a visitor does not have a mask, they will be provided with one from the main office