BAYVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Budget Consultation Process for Families and Community Members

Between April 7 and April 29, York Region District School is inviting families and community members to participate in its annual budget consultation process. The Board values public input and encourages public participation in virtual consultation sessions and an online survey. These consultation sessions provide the Board with valuable information about how the community would like to see the school board budget allocated to better support student achievement and well-being. The results will be used to inform the 2021-22 school year budget allocation.

The date and time of the virtual consultation is:

- Monday, April 26, 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.
 - Please register for this Public Budget Consultation Session at: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3227105524126939660. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
 - Public, listen only, telephone access to the webinar is via 647-497-9389 and Access Code 149-846-166.

YRDSB has created a survey to gather community feedback into the process. The survey will be available for completion on the Board website **April 7** - **April 29, 2021**.

YRDSB values community input and is working to increase transparency and understanding of its budget process. Questions regarding the budget process may be directed to <u>Budget20212022@yrdsb.ca</u>.

Guidance Message – Apr 9th

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	<u>Joon.Won@yrdsb.ca</u>
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. For Adaptive (in-person) students, make appointments on days you don't have a face-to-face class.

Summer School Update

Summer credit programs will be offered through two learning models. Both will be open for registration on April 20th through <u>MyPathwayPlanner</u>. Please refer to <u>attachments</u> for summer school details.

Remote Learning

- Remote learning is being offered this summer in place of traditional face-to-face summer school as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Remote learning classes will occur in a virtual environment, using a synchronous model.

- Students are required to attend daily at prescribed times. Remote Learning will run from 8:45 a.m. to 3:33 p.m., with scheduled breaks and a lunch break.
- Remote Learning program offerings:
 - Acceleration courses, including:
 - Compulsory and Elective courses
 - Cooperative Education opportunities. Here is the <u>link</u>.
 - English as a Second Language
 - International Languages (Spanish, Simplified Mandarin, Farsi)
 - o Reinforcement courses
- Remote Learning dates:
 - \circ Acceleration
 - Wednesday July 7 to Friday July 30.
 - o Reinforcement and Credit Upgrading
 - Session One: Wednesday July 7 to Monday July 19
 - Session Two: Tuesday July 20 to Friday July 30

Online Learning (formerly known as e-Learning)

- Classes occur online using an asynchronous model. Students are able to access course content at any time.
- Daily synchronous check-in opportunities with the teacher are provided.

- Online Learning will run from Friday July 2 to Wednesday July 28.
- Online Learning program offerings include:
 - o Acceleration courses that are both compulsory and elective courses

Valedictorian Winner for the Class of 2021

This week grade 12s for the valedictorian. Congratulations to the 3 candidates that made it to the ballot: Hanna Ghorbani, Padena Rasouli-Baghban and Queena Yu. Congratulations to Padena Rasouli-Baghban.

Paying for Post-Secondary Presentation

Looking to learn about scholarships, OSAP, bursaries to pay for college or university? Guidance is having lunch presentations on April 22 and 23 at 11:30 pm. Here is the link to attend. All grades welcome. https://ca.bbcollab.com/guest/76dec17e4ecf407bb8f1161bf44bda19

Alumni Presentation

Student Council is hosting an alumni event for students this Friday, April 9th from 6 to 8 pm. They have lined up a panel of former Bayview Students who will be answering questions submitted by you, followed by a networking session where you can ask alumni all about their programs, schools, and general post-secondary life. Signup closes Friday at 3:30 pm. The signup link: https://forms.gle/mVNhghSNSSdmKcNo8

Applying to the US/UK

The guidance presentation can be found under <u>Post-Secondary Education</u> on the Guidance website.

OUAC & OCAS Next Submission

Guidance will be sending mid-term marks by April 22. The deadline for Grade 12 students to drop a course prior to the upload is April 20^{th} . Only students with <u>four</u> YRDSB courses can drop a course. Reminder that April Break is from April $10^{\text{th}} - 18^{\text{th}}$ and Guidance will not be accessing their emails during that time. Do not wait until the last minute.

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.

Scholarships

Grads please visit the Gr12 Guidance Google Classroom. We have posted updated info from Seeking Scholarship regarding financial resources for postsecondary education.

AEBS invites Black students who are graduating from a high school in the York Region District School Board to apply for our 2021 scholarships. Students should CLICK HERE to learn more about the scholarships and to apply. The deadline to apply is Friday, May 7, 2021

Grads if you haven't filled out the Grad Awards form to be considered for Bayview Awards, please do so ASAP. Here is the link.

Skills Ontario Competition

The 2021 Virtual Skills Ontario Competition & Career Exploration Showcase will run on May 12 from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm (EST). Secure your spot at skillsontariovsoc.vfairs.ca/!

The Skills Ontario Competition is an incredible display of our future skilled workforce! It's also a chance for Ontarians to connect with employers and advocates, and a great way to support the skilled trades and technologies. With contests running remotely, a virtual career showcase hosting several booths, a scavenger hunt, and more, we're aiming to capture the excellence and magnitude of our Skills Ontario Competition virtually.

Please visit skillsontario.com/competition-visitors for more details and resources.

OCAD Portfolio Clinic at Home

Are you thinking of applying to OCAD? Join their virtual portfolio clinic. Your portfolio is a visual representation of who you are, and a collection of work that showcases your individual creative and technical experiences. The Portfolio Clinics at Home is designed for learners between the ages of 15-19 interested in pursuing a creative pathway towards postsecondary education.

Between April 10th and 28th, you can register for one or more 3-hour long workshops. For more info visit: <u>https://apply.ocadu.ca/portal/portfolioclinicsathome</u>

US College Expo

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

Volunteer Opportunity

Become a volunteer for the LGBTQ2S Newcomer Youth program. The students must be **allies or identify as LGBTQ2S**. This is a **volunteer** position for participants to offer peer-to-peer support and to assist with program activities. Although this program is targeted towards newcomer youth, anyone is welcome to volunteer. See <u>flyer</u> for details.

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 <u>link</u>.

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

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>.

Summer Jobs

The Ontario Public Service (OPS) has provided info regarding the 2021 Summer Employment Opportunities Program. The <u>Summer Employment Opportunities (SEO)</u> Program provides up to 5,000 students with the opportunity to gain valuable work experience through supervised summer employment in the OPS. To be eligible to participate in the program, students must be currently enrolled in a secondary or post-secondary institution, be at least 15 years old, be living in Ontario during the summer and be legally entitled to work in Canada.

Positions for the summer of 2021 will be posted on **February 25, 2021** with different **closing dates** between **March 10** and **June 1, 2021**. The 2021 employment period for students is from May to September. To participate, students must apply online at <u>www.ontario.ca/careers</u>.

Reference Items from previous Ebulletins

Visit the new YRDSB website

YRDSB has refreshed its Board website to make it easier for families to find the important information they are looking for at <u>www.yrdsb.ca</u>.

The new website has been designed to be mobile friendly, translatable, accessible, searchable, easy to navigate and to better reflect York Region District School Board and our community. This includes:

- Built-in translation tool
- Enhanced search capabilities
- Built-in accessibility features to meet accessibility legislation
- Revised navigation based on user testing, website analytics and research
- Quick access to six of our most accessed pages, including school calendars and school transportation information.

The new website also includes:

- A <u>Family Resources</u> that provides quick access to online tools like Edsby, Google Classroom and School Cash Online, as well as links to information about translation tools, IT support for families and more. Use the "need help" button to access tips and support in using these tools.
- Updated <u>Online Student Tools</u> pages provide quick access to students to online learning platforms and resources to help with homework. Use the "need help" button to access tips and support in using these tools.
- An enhanced <u>newsroom</u> with access to the latest news, events and videos so you can find out what's happening around our Board.
- Easy access to information about <u>supports for students</u>, <u>elementary school</u> and <u>secondary school</u> programs, <u>adult</u> <u>learning opportunities</u> and more.

Information about COVID-19 and schools, including update information, screening tools and frequently asked questions can still be found at www.yrdsb.ca/school-reopening.

We hope that the website makes it easier for families to find and access the information you are looking for. When you visit the new website, please take the time to share your feedback, so we can continue to ensure our website meets the needs of the community we serve.

Partnering with Parent/Guardians - Responding to Questions & Concerns

Should you have any questions and/or concerns regarding your child, academic programming or extracurricular activities, please contact the school right away as the first step in working toward a resolution.

In the case of classroom questions, please speak with your child's teacher. Where required, we can work in collaboration with other staff including (e.g. Guidance Counselors, SERTs, Administration, ESL/ELL). If translation is needed, please contact the school for support.

Report It

Our schools should be safe, welcoming and inclusive places for everyone. It is important that students know what to do if they witness or experience inappropriate behaviour or incidents of hate or discrimination.

- There may be situations when you can safely step in and intervene and help.
- Talk to an adult at school, family member or other trusted adult.
- Report the event without the person involved knowing using our online reporting tool, Report It.

Report It lets you share information about inappropriate student behaviour or incidents of hate or discrimination. You can use the online form to report:

- bullying, drugs, cheating, vandalism, harassment, violence or any other inappropriate behaviour
- incidents of discrimination or hate, including anti-Indigenous racism, ableism, anti-Asian racism, anti-Black racism, antisemitism, classism, homophobia, Islamaphobia, sexism, transphobia or other forms of hate

You can report events that happen at school, at school-related events, online or off school property if it negatively affects a student or the school climate. You can also choose to make a report anonymously.

Complete reports are shared with the school to investigate and respond.

Acts of discrimination, hate and bullying are never acceptable. Using the Report It tool is a way of standing up for each other and for ourselves.

You can find Report It on the homepage of the Board website at <u>www.yrdsb.ca</u> and on the homepage of every school website, or watch this <u>short video</u> to learn more.

Supporting Students

If you are looking for mental health resources to help your child, please see <u>York Region Mental Health Resource</u> <u>List</u>. Community services include supports for abuse, addictions, bereavement, employment, housing, financial and food banks.

IGNITE TECHNOLOGY GRANT

For students with SEA Technology

The Ignite Technology Grant is designed to create **leadership opportunities**, hone **communication skills**, and increase **self-esteem** for students with SEA equipment within their school community.

The goal is to bring awareness to the effective and successful use of technology for modern learning.

IGNITE your school and community now! Go to <u>www.yrdsb.ca/ignite</u> now to learn how!

Community Resources and Mental Health

Visit the Guidance webpage for a list of Mental Health and Wellness resources for both students and families. Here is the link.

211 - Services for Families

What is 211. See this <u>link</u> for details.

York Region Opens COVID-19 Voluntary Isolation Centre

On January 25, 2021, the Regional Municipality of York opened a Voluntary Isolation Centre to make self-isolation easier for residents who may be facing complex barriers. By providing residents with a free and comfortable place to voluntarily and safely self-isolate, the risk of spreading COVID-19 is reduced. Please see this link for more information.

Building Social Skills Guide

Social skills like taking turns, decision making, greeting, self-regulation and more, can help prepare students for success in many areas of their lives. There are many ways children can learn these skills, and many ways adults can help to develop and nurture them.

York Region District School Board has developed a user-friendly guide full of tips, resources and ideas to help caregivers and other adults:

- Determine what social skills to teach
- How to teach them
- How to support any child who many benefit from direct instruction and practice in learning social skills.

<u>Play. Talk. Think. Feel: A User-Friendly Guide for Building Social Skills in Children</u> covers a wide variety of skills and includes a number of activities, games, resources and more that can be used by family members, caregivers, educators and others to support social skill development.



Volunteer Opportunity

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

- 1. <u>www.volunteermatch.org</u>
- 2. <u>www.sparkontario.ca</u>
- 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: <u>https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/.</u>
- Secondary school students (Under 18): <u>https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/students.</u>

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