

BAYVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

E-bulletin for the week of February 4th 2019

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Administration

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Semester 2 Timetables

An electronic version of the student's semester 2 timetable was sent to them via their "gapps" account today, February 1st. Students must review their timetable as there may be changes.

Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT)

Education Quality and
Accountability Office



What is the OSSLT?

The OSSLT measures whether or not students are meeting the minimum standard for literacy across all subjects up to the end of Grade 9. Successful completion of the literacy test is one of the requirements to earn an Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

Who writes the test?

Students will receive a letter notifying them that they are to write the test in February.

When is the test?

All students in the province of Ontario write on the same day. **This year the test is on Wednesday, March 27th, 2019.**

Questions?

Literacy Contact: Ralph Masciello ralph-anthony.masciello@yrdsb.ca

In order to support students preparing for the OSSLT, Bayview offers an After School Literacy Program. **Registration is required.** Forms are available in the Main Office and are due by February 6, 2019 to Guidance.

This semester's after school programming will be offered in two blocks starting on the week of February 11 and ending on March 21.

Block 1: Mondays and Wednesdays 3:30pm-5:00pm
Block 2: Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:30pm-5:00pm

Letter to Families

On January 25th a letter from YRDSB's Director Education, Louise Sirisko was sent home to our parents via email. This [letter](#) is regarding the potential for school closures due to extreme winter weather conditions. Translated versions are available on request from Bayview S.S.

Safety on Walkways

Please stay to the cleared paths when entering and exiting the school. Please stay away from any hazardous areas where there is a greater potential to slip or fall, wear appropriate footwear and be attentive when walking or playing outdoors.

Immunization

Students receiving a letter from the York Region Health Department regarding their failure to provide documentation that their immunizations are up to date, will be suspended if the updated documentation is not submitted to them. See [here](#) for information and clinic locations. We are agents for the Board of Health and must abide by the Health Department's direction to suspend.

Allergies and Food at Bayview S.S.

Dear Bayview parents. We have various life threatening allergies at Bayview SS. Please ensure that your son/daughter refrains from bringing peanut butter, and egg based products in their packed lunches. Can you also please urge your children to eat in the cafeteria or the overflow lunch rooms. We have a significant amount of students eating in the halls – which we actively discourage.

Guidance Message

Grade 12 Graduating Students

Students interested in being nominated for the **Western National Scholarship** must submit completed hard-copy application to Guidance by **Monday February 4th**. You do not need to hand into Guidance a teacher reference letter. However, if you are selected you need a teacher reference letter.

Students applying to **Ontario Colleges**, February 1st is the last day to apply for equal consideration. Please make sure you apply by today and have paid.

There will be a MANDATORY meeting regarding **Graduation on Friday, February 15th during Period 2**. If you have a Grade 12 class during in period, your teacher will be bringing the class to the large gym. Students on a spare MUST attend the meeting.

Students who are taking an **international language** outside of the YRDSB Board MUST bring a mid-term report card to Ms. Chen in Guidance ASAP for OUAC and OCAS.

Semester 2 Timetable Changes

There will be no Guidance appointments next week. Students who wish to make a timetable change can come to Guidance on their lunch or spare to speak to a Guidance Counsellor and fill out a form. The form must be signed by a parent/guardian. There is limited space in semester 2 and no guarantee a change will be made. Students must follow their current timetable which will be sent through GAPPS. **The last day to submit a form is February 6th**.

Grade 11 IB Students Only

Grade 11 IB students who have taken an HL and SL biology and chemistry course, you will notice that on My Pathway Planner, it looks like two HL science courses. Please do not worry about it. The reason it says that is because we have taken away the holding codes for the SL science courses. Your SL course is accurate in our main system.

Course Selection for 2019-2020

Students who need support with choosing courses for next school year are welcome to come to Guidance for support.

Students Writing the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT)

In addition to specific lessons in grade 10 courses, Bayview offers an After School Literacy Program to help prepare you for the OSSLT. **Registration is required**. Forms are available in the Main Office and are due by February 6, 2019 to Guidance. This program is ideal for students not in grade 10 but writing the test this year or students who want extra-help with literacy. This semester's after school programming will be offered in two blocks starting on the week of February 11 and ending on March 21.

Block 1: Mondays and Wednesdays 3:30pm-5:00pm

Block 2: Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:30pm-5:00pm

Please see Mr. Masciello if you have questions.

Email Addresses

If you have any change(s) in your email address(es), please submit the changes to bayview.ss@yrdsb.ca. Please include your child's name and student number.

Upcoming Events

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| February 4 | First Day of Semester II |
| February 8 | Semester I Report Card Distribution |
| February 11 – 15 | Grad Retake & New Student Photo Day |

Bayview Student Events Calendar

[Bayview Student Events Calendar link here](#)

ATTENTION NEEDED Please see below:

Drivers must not:

- × use the front driveway for pick up and drop off.
- × use parking spaces at the front of the school to drop off, wait for, or pick up students
- × drive behind the school to drop students.

Drop off and pick up must only occur at the **SOUTH** end of the school – near Cassata Drive



Important Reminders

We want to remind students that the use of electronic products such as vaping, electronic cigarettes and cigars as well as cartridges of nicotine solutions and related products are not permitted on or within 20 metres of school property. This means 20 metres *beyond* the school boundaries as opposed to simply off of school property. [Health Canada](#) reports health risks associated with vaping particularly for young people.

This is in compliance with the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, which is enforced locally by York Region Community and Health Services and the [Tobacco and Smoke-Free Environment Policy and Procedure](#). A progressive form of discipline, including potential suspension from school and [fines](#) (up to \$5,000), is in place for students who break the law.

For more information visit Health Canada or the Board website. [Partnership for Drug Free Kids](#) also provides a resource on how to talk to your kids about vaping.

Respect for Community

- Students are expected to behave in a respectful manner during the entire school day
- This includes during lunch time when students are on and/or off school property (e.g. stores and restaurants by the school)
- Student **must** clean up their garbage, pay for all items, treat other customers with respect and follow the direction of the employee

Dress Code

Dressing in an appropriate manner dignifies the student, their family, and their school. Dress that is **not permitted** includes:

- headwear - except for religious reasons (e.g. baseball hats, hoodies, toques)
- bare midriffs – e.g. crop tops (*all tops must meet the bottom clothing*)

Punctuality

- School starts at 8:45 and students are expected to be in class at that time
- Students who are **less** than 15 minutes late for class must go directly to class
- Students who are **more** than 15 minutes late for class must go to Attendance Office to sign in

Student Parking

- Students who drive to school must have a valid parking pass that can be obtained in the Main Office
- Student parking is **ONLY** along the fence on the **EAST SIDE** of the stop sign and the parking pass must be visible
- Cars that are not parked in the designated spots are at risk of being ticketed and/or towed

- Students who continue to park in the incorrect spots will face school consequences

Student Drop-Off

- Parents/guardians who drive their children to school, **must not park or stop** at the front of the school -this is a fire route and where school busses drop off and pick up students
- Do not pull in to the specified parking spots at the front of the school
- Students must be dropped off and picked up at the south end of the school in a way that will not obstruct traffic around the school

Important Information for Parents/Guardians Regarding Extraordinary Absences Exceeding 3 days:

- Students are expected to be in full attendance every regular school day except in the case of illness. Extraordinary absence may occur under certain circumstances. Parents should keep in mind that a very close relationship exists between regular daily attendance and success in school. Some families plan trips during the school year due to scheduling of vacations from work or to take advantage of low travel costs. When this occurs, students miss valuable learning which can impact on their success. Even brief absences can have a negative impact. Family trips can be a wonderful learning experience, but should be saved for school vacation time, such as March Break.
- Before withdrawal for any vacation not in the school calendar, check with your child's teacher to find out what effect a long vacation may have on your child's progress.
- Complete the **Extraordinary Absence Form** found in the main office.
- You will be responsible for the continuity of your child's learning when they are absent from school.
- Students must consult with their teacher before the planned absence in order to determine their standing in each of their courses and obtain any assignments that will come due during or immediately following the absence, if available from the teacher.

It must be noted that:

- a. It may not be possible for a student to learn all of the material or complete all of the work that was done in class during their absence.
- b. Assignments must be submitted on time to be eligible for grading. Tests missed MAY receive a mark of zero ("0")

York Region Public Health

Flu Season is Here, get the flu shot as early as possible. Please visit [this link](#) for more information and to learn more, see york.ca/flu

2018-2019 Kids Plus™ Accident Insurance

For complete plan details, please visit kidsplus.ca. This website is available for parents to purchase coverage, access claims forms and full plan information online.

Staff Contact Information

Staff names and voicemail extensions can be found on our school website under the "School Information" tab and "Our Staff" link. Staff email addresses are firstname.lastname@yrdsb.ca