# BAYVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL



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## Message From Our Trustee Cindy Liang – December 2021

With case counts remaining relatively stable, I want to take this opportunity to thank our students, families and staff members for continuing to adhere to health and safety protocols. Your efforts are appreciated and important to protecting the health and safety of our school community members. As we have since the start of the pandemic, the school board continues to meet regularly with public health and follow their guidance. Families looking for more information or resources on COVID-19 and our schools, including health and safety guidelines, frequently asked questions and mental health resources, please visit www.yrdsb.ca/school-reopening or York Region's www.york.ca/safeatschool.

In November, we held the **school council forums**. I appreciated the opportunity to participate in shared learning with school council representatives on priority topics including the ABCs of mental health and actioning anti-racism practices. Thank you to all of the participants and to all school council members for your partnership. There are so many valuable <u>ways families help to</u> <u>strengthen our schools and support student learning and achievement</u>. We value the partnership that we have with families, and thank you for your ongoing support.

As partners, we want to support you in supporting your child's learning, achievement and well-being. The **Family Resources** page on the Board website provides quick access to online tools such as Google Classroom, School Cash Online, Edsby and more. It also provides links to information to support you in engaging in your child's learning - resources like translation tools, IT support for families and tips on protecting your child's privacy online. It also includes links to other information you may find helpful. Find it at <u>www.yrdsb.ca/familyresources</u> or from the link on the homepage.

Over the past few months, York Region District School Board has been conducting a review of its Trustee Areas. The boundaries of the areas that school board trustees represent change over time. The goal of the **Trustee Determination and Distribution Study** is to ensure fair and equitable representation of all public school supporters. Thank you to everyone who participated in the consultation on the proposed options. The final report will be presented at the Board of Trustees meeting on February 8. You can find more information about the study and the recommendations on the Board website.

The upcoming winter season is a time of celebration for many, and I want to wish you and your families a happy, healthy and safe holiday season. I hope that over the winter break, you find time to rest, relax and rejuvenate and we look forward to welcoming you back in January.

Cindy Liang Trustee – Richmond Hill Wards 3, 5 and 6

#### Photo Day

Photo Day is happening on November 29th and 30th. Students will be called down, throughout both days, to have their photo taken in the library. Remote/online learners, please feel free to have your photograph taken on Monday, November 29th, in the library between the times of 3:30 and 4:30 PM. Remote learners, please sign in at the main office when you enter the school after 3:10 PM. Details on how to order photos will come in the near future.

## Guidance Message – Nov 26, 2021

Here is a <u>link</u> to all the Guidance Messages. Guidance on Instagram: @bss.guidance / Gr12 Google Classroom qgy6heq

| Guidance Counsellor | Student <u>Last</u> Name | Email                   |
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| Ms. Chen            | Guidance Secretary       | iris.chen@yrdsb.ca      |
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| Ms. Shah    | Lin to St | sheila.shah@yrdsb.ca  |
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# Appointments

Guidance appointments can be made on Teach Assist under 'Appointment Bookings'. Book with your alpha counsellor based on your last name. Choose the day you would like to meet by clicking on the calendar. YOU CANNOT BOOK SAME DAY APPOINTMENTS. A confirmation of the appointment will appear as a yellow bar on your Teach Assist account if you follow the steps correctly. Appointments are in person for students in the building. Appointments are via phone for remote students. Remote students, please email your counsellor a cell number to reach you prior to the appointment.

## November

- 26 Queen's Chancellor Scholarship nominations due to Guidance by 3:00 pm
- 27 McMaster Women in STEM event. See info below.
- 30 University of Guelph virtual presentation 3:30-4:00pm. Link in the Google Classrooms

# Time Management, Organization Skills & Test Taking Skills Support

Hey Bengals! Anyone interested in learning about organization skills, time management or test taking skills? Please drop by Guidance on Wednesday and Thursday from 12 - 12:30 pm. Looking forward to seeing you.

# **Guidance Presentations**

Guidance provides students with a series of presentations for all grades. Presentations included information about volunteer information, graduation requirements and researching future pathways and planning. Here is a <u>link</u> to the presentations on the Guidance page of the school website. Guidance has also completed presentations on applying to college and university. Here is a <u>link</u> to the presentations on the Guidance page.

# McMaster Women in STEM

McMaster Undergraduate Women in STEM club, a student-led organization at McMaster University dedicated to the advancement and promotion of female-identifying individuals in STEM. We are hosting a virtual **high school mentorship panel** on **Saturday, November 27, 2021** at 11:00AM. During this event, female-identifying undergraduate students from McMaster University in a variety of STEM fields will talk about why they chose to pursue a STEM degree, any adversary they experience in that field, and other general university tips. The session will end with an open-floor Q&A where high school students can ask any questions they would like to the undergraduate panelists. This will be a valuable opportunity for high school students thinking of pursuing a degree in STEM next year or in the future. To register for this event, please have the students fill out this google form: <u>https://forms.gle/GbYZ8rcmxqxEWz7u5</u>

# STEM Fellowship Free Course for Females

Our virtual Coding Bootcamp for Girls aims to provide females, who are generally underrepresented in computer science, from grades 11-12 with a free and accessible opportunity to learn Python from experienced instructors within an interactive environment. This course will run at three different levels - beginner, intermediate and advanced - where students can self-assess and pick what level they would like to be placed in. The class size will be small and participants will be able to get individualized attention and ask questions. This bootcamp will run on December 12th, 12 - 2 PM EST. Please fill out the following application form if you are interested by November 28<sup>th</sup> https://forms.gle/WJxbviKtXwfvzayL6

# Volunteer / Community Involvement

Guidance is **ONLY** collecting **up to 40 hours**. Here is the <u>FORM</u> to complete. Please refer to our <u>website</u> for what is eligible and ineligible for this school year. When you complete your hours, email a <u>SCANNED</u> copy to your alpha counsellor. Students need prior approval from your alpha counsellor. Make sure to include in the name of the organization, the supervisor name and phone number in your email.

# OUAC and OCAS Upload for Potential Graduates

Semester 1 midterm marks will be shared with OCAS and OUAC on November 19, 2021. Once the upload is complete you may receive a notification. It is important to review your courses and marks. If you notice an error, please book an appointment with your guidance counsellor. If you are currently taking a Private School courses or a course outside of YRDSB it is up to that school

to submit your midterm mark. Once the Private School course is complete the school must email the official report card to <u>iris.chen@yrdsb.ca</u>.

# Full Disclosure for Grade 11 and Grade 12 Courses for Graduating Students

For 2021/2022, the course withdrawal date (Full Disclosure) has been changed as per the direction of the Ministry of Education and YRDSB. The Full Disclosure date for Grade 11 and Grade 12 courses is now December 10, 2021. If a student withdraws from a Grade 11 or 12 course prior to December 10, 2021 then the course will not be recorded on the Ontario Student transcript. A change will have to be made manually to the student's records by their guidance counsellor as the date for uploading marks to OUAC and OCAS will have passed. If a student withdraws from a Grade 11 or 12 course after the Full Disclosure date, a withdrawal (W) is entered in the credit column, and the student's mark at the time of withdrawal will be recorded as a percentage in the achievement column of the transcript.

# How do offers of admission work for Ontario Colleges and Universities?

Students can apply NOW to both Ontario colleges and universities. Offers of admission vary depending on the competitiveness of the program and will continue on a rolling basis. Every time marks are submitted, post-secondary institutions review your application. They don't look at your application only once. Ontario has rolling acceptances.

Students applying to college, it is IMPORTANT to apply now especially with competitive programs where spots may fill up by February 1. Students applying to both colleges and universities, it is important to make an account with the schools and to constantly check your personal emails for information from the post-secondary institutions.

## Applying to University Presentation

Mon Sheong Foundation's Golden Jubilee Alumni is holding a seminar about applying to university and scholarships on Saturday, November 27 at 11:00 a.m. This seminar walks you through the decisions that come with applying to the university of your choice and on how to apply to scholarships. <u>Register Now!</u> For more information, please email <u>msf@monsheong.org</u> or call 1-866-708-0002.

## Queen's Major Admission Awards - Queen's Chancellor's Scholarship

Students who demonstrate superior academic ability, creative and original thinking, involvement in school or community activities, and proven leadership can apply for a Queen's major admission award. To be considered for the major admission awards, students must apply for admission to Queen's on OUAC no later than November 20th to ensure that you gain access to SOLUS to submit your MAA application.

If you are interested in the Queen's Chancellor's Scholarship, the applicant must receive nomination from Bayview Secondary School. If you are interested in being nominated, please submit your application to Mrs. Jarrett, <u>Keri.Jarrett@yrdsb.ca</u>, by Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. Students will be required to complete the MAA application, including a Credit Counselling summary (CCS) and letter of reference if nominated. For the purpose of submission to Mrs. Jarrett, the MAA application will be the only thing submitted (no need to submit the CCS or letter of reference). Information regarding the scholarship can be found here.