

BAYVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

E-bulletin for the week of January 28th, 2018

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Letter to Families

Today, 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.

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

Parent Support Group



Bayview School Council's Parent Support Group with the Family Services of York Region held their first gathering for the school year on Jan 24th. This month's topic was **Understanding Teens**. A group of 60 parents attended and split into 4 language groups for the evening.



Join this once a month gathering, you will meet other parents, share parenting experience, and learn from each other. Upcoming topics and dates will be posted in the E-bulletin.



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.

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.

We are agents for the Board of Health and must abide by the Health Department's direction to suspend.

Please make an appointment to be immunized and avoid suspension. Do not leave this to the last minute, as many students throughout the Board of Education will be accessing the same services. Doctor's appointments are not always immediate.

Safety on Walkways

Please stay to the cleared paths when entering and exiting the school. Snow covered or grassy areas may be icy and could lead to slips and/or falls.

Examinations

Semester I examinations will be written from January 24th – 30th. Vacation time, employment and appointments must not be planned during the scheduled exam period. **An individual examination timetable has been emailed to the student's gapps account.**

Guidance Message

Semester 2 Timetables

Students will receive an electronic updated copy of their semester 2 timetable on February 1st. Students must review their timetable as there may be changes.

Semester 2 Course Changes

Guidance is available during exams. Students have up to February 6th to request a semester two timetable change. Please note that many courses are full. There are limited spots. There is no guarantee the request will be fulfilled. If you are already on a waitlist, please do not ask for the same course.

Course Selection for 2019-2020 School Year

Students can go onto My Pathway Planner to choose courses. It will open for submission on February 11 and close on February 22. The powerpoints and a snapshot of the Course offerings have been added to My Pathway Planner in the Resources section on the Dashboard. You can find the Course Offerings on the Guidance Bayview website in the Course Offerings tab.

Volunteer Opportunities

Kids World Day Camp is looking for volunteers. Please visit www.kidsworlddaycamp.com or call 416-785-4600.

YRDSB International Languages is looking for volunteers. Please email international.languages@yrdsb.ca.

Southlake Residential Care Village is looking for volunteers. Please contact: 905-895-7661 x304 or w2ferguson@southlakeregional.org.

College Application

Students intending to apply to college the last day for equal consideration is February 1st, 2019. Please visit www.ontariocolleges.ca to apply.

High School Arts Contest and Celebration

The Richmond Hill Public Library (RHPL) Arts Contest is our community's opportunity to recognize and celebrate the talent of our creative teens. The annual contest and celebration showcases the written, poetic, visual and photographic art of high school students who live and/or study in Richmond Hill.

First, second, third and honourable mention awards will be issued for each category. All winners will be published in the Richmond Hill Public Library Arts Contest Anthology. Winners are also celebrated among their peers at our Arts Contest Celebration at Central Library on **May 7, 2019**.

Entering the Contest

Our submission form is now online! All participants must submit an electronic submission form in order to participate in the Arts Contest. Photography, poetry and short story submissions must be submitted entirely through the form; visual arts submissions must be delivered to the library after the online form has been completed.

If you are under the age of 18, your parent or guardian must consent to your participation in the contest. The deadline for complete submissions is **Friday, February 8, 2019 at 6 p.m.** [Enter the Contest](#)

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

January 24 – 30	Examinations
January 31	Exam Review Day
February 1	PA Day
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 midribs – 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

