

# BAYVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

## E-bulletin for the week of Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018

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### Administration

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### NEW! Pathways Planning and Course Selection Platform: Grades 7 - 12

The York Region District School Board will be providing your child with an engaging and new interactive online education and career/life planning platform starting in November 2018. Career Cruising will not be available to students after November 15, 2018. Students will be notified via their GAPPS account email of the steps required to save information, that has been stored in their Individual Pathway Plan (IPP,) from Career Cruising into their GAPPS account.

This new platform will include a number of beneficial resources to support your child as they progress through high school, including:

- **Who Am I** – 6 unique assessments for self-exploration and discovery (including Learning Styles, Myers-Briggs Personality, Holland Interests, Knowledge, Motivations, and Compatibility)
- **High School** – A tool to visually plan courses, track progress toward graduation, and instantly identify post-secondary eligibility for opportunities in all pathways
- **Post-Secondary** – A database to explore post-secondary opportunities and compare detailed information on apprenticeships, college programs, university programs and workplace sectors across Canada
- **Goals** – An interactive goal setting tool to set S.M.A.R.T. goals and action plans
- **Occupations** – A database of over 500 occupations to compare comprehensive information on jobs
- **Resumes & Cover Letters** – Interactive tools to record personal experiences, build resumes and write cover letters
- **Money** – An engaging budget-making tool to help students track income and expenses and develop financial literacy
- **Job Search** – A tool to explore real-world job postings that relate to occupations of interest
- **Portfolios** – A portfolio builder to create multiple portfolios and share it with parents, teachers, or future employers

*Schools will be receiving more information regarding the transition to this new platform in the coming weeks and will continue to provide students and parents/guardians with updates.*

### Post-Secondary Fair at Bayview

On Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, from 7-9pm, Bayview will be hosting a [Post-Secondary Fair](#) in our Large and Small gyms. All students, teachers and parents are welcome.

It is a great opportunity to speak with representatives from post-secondary institutions and organizations to inform your practice or help guide pathways planning for your child. There will be schools from Ontario, other provinces, US and organizations that support students applying to the US and UK.

### Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee (PEAC)

Please see [Call for Membership Application](#) link. Online applications begin Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> and closes Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

### Volunteer needed

We are looking for a parent or community volunteer who has experience in art curation or design to help support us in creating a new display of student art works. The works that tell a variety of Indigenous Creation Stories were completed in 2017-18 as part of the Artist in Residence Program. Currently, the student work is unframed on canvas. We need someone with expertise who can source options for framing or mounting these pieces and developing a plan for displaying the artwork in a way that helps us build reconciliation through education.

If you are interested, please contact Principal Brian Schouten at [brian.schouten@yrdsb.ca](mailto:brian.schouten@yrdsb.ca)

Feel free to pass this message along to others who you think may have the skill and interest.

## Cannabis Legalization

As of October 17, 2018, it will be legal for individuals **19 and older** to buy, use, possess and grow recreational cannabis. It remains illegal for anyone under the age of 19. This is the same as the minimum age for the sale of tobacco and alcohol in Ontario.

**Regardless of age, cannabis is not allowed on school property or at school-related events at any time.**

It is illegal for **anyone** regardless of age to smoke or vape any substance, including cannabis:

- at school, on school grounds, and all public areas within 20m of these grounds
- on children's playgrounds and public areas within 20m of playgrounds
- in child care centres, or where an early years program is provided
- in places where home child care is provided – even if children aren't present\*

*\*Please note that these are the provincial regulations and by-laws could be different at a municipal level*

There will be consequences for students if they are believed to be in possession or under the influence of alcohol, illegal drugs or cannabis. Suspension will be considered. There are exceptions if the medicinal use of cannabis is outlined in the student's Health Care Plan. If a student gives alcohol or cannabis to anyone under the age of 19, the school will contact police, suspend the student and consider expulsion.

In YRDSB, we want families and students to be informed about the facts of cannabis legalization. To support this learning, you may find the following resources helpful. You can also request a hard copy through the school office.

[Cannabis: What Parents/Guardians and Caregivers Need to Know](#)

[Cannabis Talk Kit: Know How to Talk With Your Teen](#)

We will continue to provide students with information and support to make positive and healthy decisions.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school's administration.

## Guidance Message

### Guidance Important Dates:

Nov 1 - Post-Secondary Fair 7-9pm @ Bayview Secondary School all parents and students welcome

Nov 14 - TOKTHS – Grade 8 students visit from feeder schools

### Guidance Workshops for Students Only:

#### Applying to Ontario Colleges and Universities

Last week, graduating students applying to Ontario Colleges and Ontario Universities received a workshop on how to apply and important dates. Students then were emailed the presentations. They presentations were also posted on the Guidance website.

#### SHSM & Dual Credit

Nov 8, 15, 29 Grade 10 students in period 1 classes have been invited to an assembly to learn about SHSM, SHSM COOP & Dual Credit. IB Period 1 Grade 10 classes will learn about SHSM during Guidance Course Selection visits in December.

## Take Our Kids to Work Day – Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> is **Take Our Kids To Work** day. All schools in Ontario participate in this day and encourage all of their Grade 9 students to spend the day with a parent or another adult in a work setting. This program illustrates the importance of education, skills development and training while giving students the opportunity to experience possibilities that await them.

**Permission forms** were **distributed in homeroom Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> and are due back by Fri., Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>**. If your child is having difficulty finding a place to go, please consider a family friend, a relative, or partnering them with a friend who already has somewhere to visit.

For additional information, please visit <http://www.thelearningpartnership.ca/what-we-do/student-programs/take-our-kids-to-work>

## Accelerated OYAP Programs

Please see [Open House Information Session](#) Dates for October 10<sup>th</sup> – November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

## Email Addresses

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

## Islamic Heritage Month

In recognition of Islamic Heritage Month, AEMS welcomes staff, families and community to their [Literature Café](#), Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, also in recognition of the Heritage Month, parents/guardians with their children grades K to 12 are invited to participate in a free [Art History Workshop's](#) Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> facilitated by the Aga Khan Museum. Please see links for further information.

## Every Student Counts Survey

In November 2018, York Region District School Board will invite all students to participate in the **Every Student Counts Survey (ESCS)**. The purpose of this census survey is to better understand YRDSB's diverse student population as well as students' experiences in school and outside of school. Families with a child in Kindergarten to Grade 6 will be invited to complete the survey online with their child at home. Students in Grades 7-12 will be invited to complete the survey online during class time. If you are a parent/guardian of child(ren) in Grades 7-12 and do **not** want them to participate in the survey, please contact CCI Research at 1-866-450-4907 **no later than October 9, 2018**.

The surveys are voluntary and confidential. Information about the surveys and the process is available at [www.yrdsb.ca/escs](http://www.yrdsb.ca/escs). This important initiative will help us work together to create equitable and inclusive school environments.

## Make a Commitment to Walk This October

IWALK month starts October 3, 2018. International Walk to School Month (IWALK) is an annual mass celebration of active transportation taking place around the world every October. The benefits of walking include:

- Helps prepare children for learning
- Keeps students physically and mentally fit
- Builds friendships
- Improves air quality and the environment
- Creates safer neighborhoods

Join the movement! We encourage all our students to Walk or Wheel for the month of October.

## 2018-2019 Kids Plus™ Accident Insurance

In order to reduce our impact on the environment, the **Kids Plus™ Accident Insurance** brochures are no longer being distributed to schools in paper format. The school distribution program has moved online. Families can voluntarily purchase student accident insurance through the Kids Plus™ Accident Insurance program, underwritten by Industrial Alliance Insurance and Financial Services Inc. Kids Plus™ Accident Insurance offers protection against the unexpected costs of injury from accidents, and is especially valuable for families who:

- do not have medical or dental plans,
- have limited plans, as it may help supplement health and dental benefits, or
- have active children who enjoy sports and outdoor activities.

For complete plan details, please visit [kidsplus.ca](http://kidsplus.ca). This website is available for parents to purchase coverage, access claims forms and full plan information online.

## Speaker's Award for Youth Writers

Calling all young writers!

The Speaker's Award for Youth Writers invites Ontario youth in grades 7-12 to submit their short stories and personal essays to this writing contest. Original fiction and non-fiction essay submissions are welcome, and a winner from each of the following three grade categories will be chosen: grades 7-8, grades 9-10, and grades 11-12. Winners will be announced at an awards

ceremony at the Legislative Building in Toronto and have their work published on the Legislative Assembly of Ontario website. [Online applications](#) are accepted from September 30<sup>th</sup> to November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

## **Upcoming Events**

November 1 <sup>st</sup>	Post Secondary Pathway Fair
November 9 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day Assembly
November 14 <sup>th</sup>	Take Our Kids to Work Day
November 19 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Semester reports distributed
November 23 <sup>rd</sup>	PA Day

## **Bayview Student Events Calendar**

[Bayview Student Events Calendar link here](#)

### **Student Parking**

The available parking passes have been distributed to students who requested a parking space. There aren't any more passes available for this semester. Students are ONLY permitted to park on the east side of the stop sign on the south side of the school.

### **Lockers**

Students will be asked to close their lockers if they are going to use them this year. If lockers are not closed by the end of the school day on Tuesday, they will be re-issued to students who are still in need of a locker.

### **Emails**

Guidance continues to send emails informing students of volunteer opportunities and job opportunities. Please remind your child to check their school GAPPS email.

### **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](mailto:firstname.lastname@yrdsb.ca)

### **Important Information for Students Turning 18**

Under the Education Act, parents/guardians have a right to access their child's Ontario Student Record if the child is under 18.

If the student is 18 or over, the Board/school must follow the privacy provisions of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act regarding the disclosure of personal information about the student to their parents/guardians.

Students 18 or over must provide written permission by signing the [Consent for Information Sharing](#) form to allow parents/guardians to continue to access school-related information about the student. This includes academic progress, attendance and behaviour.

Students can also obtain the form from the school office.

### **Important Reminders**

#### **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")

### Student Safety – ATTENTION NEEDED

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



## Formal Notification from York Region

This will serve as formal notification that York Region will be making improvements to **Bayview Avenue, between Major Mackenzie Drive and Elgin Mills Road, in the Town of Richmond Hill.**

Construction is anticipated to **start September 10, 2018, and is expected to be completed by November 2018.** As with all road construction projects, some work may be rescheduled due to weather. York Region will provide advance notice whenever possible.

Road improvements include:

- Removing existing asphalt and repaving with new asphalt
- Repairing curbs, catch basins and maintenance holes
- Upgrading crosswalks to meet the new Access for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) requirements.

Active construction will occur on only a few hundred metres of road on any one day, with the location moving throughout the construction period. Bayview Avenue will remain open to traffic throughout construction, and access to residences and businesses will be maintained. **To accommodate construction, temporary lane restrictions will be in place, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.:**

- Two southbound lanes and one northbound lane will be open between 7 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.
- One lane in each direction will be open between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
- Two northbound lanes and one southbound lane will be open between 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

**In October, paving operations may be completed during night-time hours for approximately three weeks, to minimize the inconvenience to road users.**

Every attempt will be made to reduce the inconvenience to a minimum.

For more information, please do not hesitate to contact Project Manager, Richard So, at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75263 or [richard.so@york.ca](mailto:richard.so@york.ca) or Construction Administrator, Matthew Jebb, at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75233.

For after-hours emergencies, please contact Roads Dispatch at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75200.

It may be appropriate for you to please communicate this information to your colleagues as required.

