

Newsletter Dec 22 2017



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## Upcoming Dates

Jan 10

**Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament**  
Aurora HS  
Fernandes/Carnevale  
All Day

Jan 11

**Sr. Boys Basketball**  
J. Addison School  
Fernandes/Carnevale  
2:45pm Departure

**ELL Support at CEC Office**  
K. Brown  
11:00 am – 2:55pm

## Guidance

### Last Call for Applications

Students in grade 12 should have picked up their PINs from guidance before the holidays if they are intending to apply to university. They still have time when we return on Jan 8<sup>th</sup> since applications are due by the 17<sup>th</sup>. Applications to college (degree and diploma programs) are due before Feb 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 and students need to create their own profile.

Early conditional offers are based on grade 11 marks. Final offers are based on grade 12 marks only.

### SAVE the DATE: Parent Course Selection Evening—Tuesday, Feb 13, 2018

Counsellors will be providing presentations for each grade about course selection. Students will be participating in these sessions during the school day on Feb 7<sup>th</sup> to Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The evening is for parents and guardians to see the same presentation and to ask more specific questions. The evening will start at 6:30 pm. Locations will be posted. Career Cruising course selection is to be finalized by February 23 and the hard copy handed in by Feb 26<sup>th</sup>.

Presented by Langstaff Secondary School

## EQUITY IN EDUCATION Speaker Series

Open invitation to YRDSB parents and staff

**Anti-bias Work in Schools**  
November 20, 2017 Speaker: Carolyn Albanese

**Supporting African-Caribbean-Canadian Youth**  
January 16, 2018 Speaker: YRDSB Inclusive Schools

**Community Support for our LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans) Youth**  
March 6, 2018 Speaker: My House York Region

**Supporting our Muslim Youth**  
April 18, 2018 Speaker: YRDSB Inclusive Schools

**Building A Better Bystander**  
June 7, 2018 Speaker: Langstaff Leadership Class



Langstaff Secondary School  
106 Garden Avenue, Richmond Hill  
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Child-minding available



Reserve your seat and RSVP to:  
[Equity in Education Speaker Series RSVP](#)



## ***Message from the Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee***

### **ANTI-BLACK RACISM SUB-COMMITTEE**

#### **Community Consultations**

**You are invited to attend a community consultation regarding:**

**Actions Taken by YRDSB following Ministry Review to Support the Learning of Students of African Descent and their Families**

#### *Agenda*

- An overview of the Ministry of Education's Review of YRDSB
- YRDSB Current Work and Response to the Ministry's Review on all levels (board, school and community engagement)
- Community Feedback Sessions in small group carousel format - *What is going well? What are you worried about?*

#### *What needs to happen next?*

- Board
- School
- Community Engagement
- Report Back and Next Steps

#### **Dates, times and locations**

**Thursday January 18, 2018 6:00pm – 9:30pm Milliken Mills High School, 7522 Kennedy Rd, Markham, ON L3R 9S5 (Refreshments will be provided)**

**Saturday January 27, 2018 10:00am – 2:00pm Vaughan Secondary School, 1401 Clark Ave W, Thornhill, ON L4J 7R4 (Lunch will be provided)**

#### **Registration**

Please register [online](#) by Friday January 12, 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact Freyja Phillips [freyja.phillips@yrdsb.ca](mailto:freyja.phillips@yrdsb.ca).

### **CLASSISM SUB-COMMITTEE**

#### **Community Conversations**

**Are you an advocate for those marginalized by low income and class-based discrimination?**

We are seeking passionate youth, families and community members to provide feedback regarding equity and inclusion for students in York Region public schools.

Please attend one of the five community conversations hosted by York Region District School Board's Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee.

**January 15 Maple Leaf PS, 155 Longford Dr, Newmarket, ON L3Y 2Y7**

**January 22 Sutton District HS, 20798 Dalton Rd, Georgina, ON L0E 1R0**

**January 29 Bayview SS, 10077 Bayview Ave, Richmond Hill, ON L4C 2L4**

**February 5 Maple HS, 50 Springside Rd, Maple, ON L6A 2W5**

**February 12 Milliken Mills HS, 7522 Kennedy Rd, Markham, ON L3R 9S5**

*All Community Conversations run from 7:00 - 9:00 pm*

*Child-minding will be provided at all locations. If you require child minding, please email Kristine with the number of children and their ages.*

**For more information or transportation support needs, please contact:**

Sub-Committee Chair – Kristine Carbis

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## Reminders

Many outdoor spaces are now snow covered, please take care on walkways and stay off of all ponds.

Please remind your child to respect all members of our Bur Oak community. Students should not walk on or "cut through" private property or back yards.

### Extended Absences

A reminder to all families that students who will miss more than 3 consecutive days of school must complete an extended absence form available in the main office. This form must be completed and submitted to the office at least one week before the absence.

### Missing Valuables

Over the past week several children have lost valuables that they left unattended for long periods of time. Although we do our best to recover missing property, we are not always successful. Please remind your child to pay attention to their valuables. If they find missing or unattended property, please have them bring it to the Main Office. A reminder that Bur Oak S.S. is not responsible for missing or stolen property.

### Important Dates

Please be advised of the following **important dates**:

- The school will be closed for Winter Break from December 22, 2017 to January 5, 2018 inclusive.
- The school will reopen on January 8, 2018.
- Grade 9 EQAO Math - January 18 and 19
- Please note the following dates for the exam schedule. Most exams are written in the morning but students with practical exams may have afternoon appointments.

January 25	January 26	January 29	January 30	January 31
Period 1	Period 2	Period 5	Period 4	Period 3

*Wishing everyone a safe, happy and restful Winter Break. See you back on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018.*

