



## GRADE 9 AND 10 CREDIT STRENGTHENING

### To Parents/Guardians

Re: Students enrolled in Grade 9 and 10 Math and English

The Ministry of Education has invited YRDSB to run a pilot project called Credit Strengthening during summer school. The focus of this program will be on supporting grade 9 and 10 Math and English students who have passed the course, but have not obtained provincial standard. Studies have shown that Grade 9 and 10 students who have passed English or Math with a mark between 50 and 69% are at greater risk of failing that subject the following year. In an effort to improve their future success, YRDSB is encouraging grade 9 and 10 Math and English students who achieved below provincial standard to enroll in the two-week Credit Strengthening course offered during the summer.

**Please note: It is very important for student's currently enrolled in English or Math in semester two to attend the Exam Review Day to find out whether they qualify to register for Credit Strengthening.** It will not be possible for schools to contact individual students as their priority will be contacting those students who have failed.

If the student is successful in improving their skills and knowledge through Credit Strengthening, the higher mark will be recorded on their transcript. It is the Board's expectation that a student's ability to achieve provincial standard (70% or above) during Credit Strengthening will be considered during pathways discussions (i.e. A student taking academic courses who achieves provincial standard through Credit Strengthening should stay in the academic stream).

To find locations where Credit Strengthening is being offered and instructions on how to register, please go to [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca) and click on Secondary Summer School Courses under the Programs and Services tab.

For further information, please contact your local secondary school Guidance Department.