

THE BULLDOG

The Official Newsletter of Bur Oak Secondary



REST, RELAX, RECHARGE

A Message from Administration

Hello Bulldog Community.

March Break has finally arrived! We hope that all of our students, staff and families get some time to relax, rest and recharge. Once again, a huge thank you to our awesome students and staff for everything you do to make BOSS such a great place!

Have a great holiday everyone, Your Admin Team

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Paintings by Lauri Hoeg Anishinaabe kwe Georgina Island First Nation

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We affirm that we are all treaty people and acknowledge that the York Region District School Board is located on the lands of two treaties. These treaties have been signed with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the First Nations of the Williams Treaties who are: the Mississaugas of Alderville, Curve Lake, Hiawatha, Scugog Island; and the Chippewas of Beausoleil, Rama, and Georgina Island who is our closest neighbour and partner in education.

To honour this agreement we will take up our responsibility to be respectful of their traditions, knowledge and inherent rights as sovereign nations. We will respect their relationship with these lands and recognize that our connection to this land is through the continued relationship with these First Nations, and we acknowledge our shared responsibility to respect and care for the land and waters for future generations.



Art by Ellie Chen





Work by Hyunwoo Jung

UPDATES

School Council Meeting:

MondayMarch 21st @ 6:30pm Link will be emailed the day of the meeting

Covid Updates (Starting March 21st):

- Students and Staff still need to do their self screening, but forms will not be required.

- Masks will be optional.
- Appropriate hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette will continue.
- Music programs will resume without distancing or restrictions.

- Intramural sports and inter school sports: there will no longer be an expectation to show proof of vaccination.

- Schools can now host in-person events (ie. Prom & Grad)

VIRTUAL

Parent-Teacher Night

Thursday March 31st 6:30-8:30

SIGN UP IN EDSBY

Scheduler opens to Parents on March 25h and closes on March 29th.

BUR OAK SECONDARY SCHOOL

March 4th, 2022

Parents' Night is on Thursday March 31st. You will have an opportunity to meet with your child(ren)'s teacher(s) and learn more about the classroom. We regret that for health and safety reasons, we are unable to host an event at the school as we normally would, however we look forward to meeting with you virtually.

Families can use Edsby, an online platform, to schedule a meeting time with their child(ren)'s teacher(s) on Parents' Night. You will receive an invitation to sign up for a meeting time once the schedules are available.

<u>Edsby</u> is a cloud-based platform that lets families easily reserve times to meet with your child(ren)'s teachers. YRDSB in partnership with Edsby have created a secure platform that protects the privacy of information for families.

Families that already have an Edsby account may use their previously created account. The username is the full email address that is on file at your child(ren)'s home school and the password is the one created at activation. If you have forgotten your password, you can find resources on the Board website to help, including how to reset your password.

Families who do not have an Edsby account will need to create one to access the online appointment scheduler for their child's teachers for Parents' Night. An up-to-date and valid email address must be provided to your child's home school. For help creating an Edsby account, <u>instructions can be found on the Board website</u>. An email from York Region District School Board with instructions on how to create an Edsby account will be sent to your email inbox. If you do not receive the email, please check your junk mail folder to ensure you do not miss this opportunity. If you have any questions about this process, please contact our main office.

Families who do not wish to book a time online can contact their child's teacher.

For help signing up for Parent-Teacher interviews, please visit our board website.

Important Timelines

March 7th-14th

Parents/guardians to create Edsby accounts, if they do not yet have one.

March 25th

Parents' Night schedule opens at (3pm) for booking. Log into your Edsby account. An invitation to book appointments will be sent to your Edsby account and a notification to your email. Instructions for signing up for interview slots are found <u>here</u>.

March 29th

Interview Scheduler closes at (3:00 p.m.)

March 30/31

Interim Reports will be distributed electronically to parents / guardians / 18+ students via the Electronic Distribution Process.

March 30th

Virtual Meeting Links to be sent to Families

March 31st

Virtual Interviews (6:30-8:30pm)

Your partners in education,

Principal Rose Li Vice-Principal Vanessa Wonnacott Vice-Principal Mark Melnyk



Credits Outside Bur Oak and Summer School 2022

If your child is planning to enroll in a course outside of our regular school schedule, it is important that they meet with their assigned counsellor to review details and complete all necessary paperwork. Night School, Private School, Summer Internships and Summer School Programs all have a variety of details that require our review and tracking towards completion. We also provide the outside institution with the required confirmation of pre-requisite courses as needed without worry of clarity of transmission.

While Summer School Programs are yet to be finalized with most school boards, we encourage students do highlight their unofficial plans for the summer by filling out the form: bit.ly/BOSSsummerplans This is not an official sign up, but rather a helpful heads up for our school to gather information about possible candidates and which courses may require adjustments in the spring. We expect details to be shared with students with sign-up procedures towards the end of April.

Grad Photos

Edge Imaging will be hosting a popup studio in York Region, during March Break for students who missed graduation photos. Below is the link to our booking site to make an appointment:

A note for parents/students:

High school grads must choose the "Classic Sitting"

Signups are open now at: https://edgeimaging.ca/en/graduationphotography-studios/

Have a Great March Break Bulldogs!



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