

Dr. J.M. Denison Secondary School

October 2, 2020

Rotation 2

September 28 – October 9

8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in-school for Period 2

*Remember to check TeachAssist for your Per.2 Cohort A or B

Online – Periods 1,3,4

Student Council

Week of September 21-25

Student Council has successfully hosted exciting events last week. The Terry Fox spirit days were a great opportunity for students to show gratitude towards Terry Fox. Students wore red or white and participated in a contest with a reward to the student with the greatest distance. We currently have \$115 of online donations for Terry Fox. Student Council has more events planned next week such as the orange shirt days for students to show respect to Residential School children and their families. There will also be an upcoming We Scare Hunger money collection drive on School Cash Online for Thanksgiving. Stay tuned for exciting upcoming events!



Week of September 28 – October 2

This week, student council has hosted the orange shirt days for students to show respect to Residential School children and their families. Last week, Denison raised \$165 in online donations for Terry Fox. We also have an exciting virtual trivia game on Quizizz planned for next week. The trivia game is a great opportunity for students to have fun and compete for spirit points by answering general questions. Stay tuned for exciting upcoming events!



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Club News

Hey Denison, the GSA is back up and running, virtually on google meet. The GSA will be meeting every other Thursday from 3-4pm. If you are interested in joining the GSA, please see guidance so we can invite you to the google classroom. Hope to see new and familiar faces this Thursday October 8th.

For those who wish to participate, Oct. 15, 2020 is Spirit Day. Each year on Spirit Day, millions go purple to support LGBTQ youth against bullying.

<https://www.glaad.org/spiritday>

what is spirit day?

LGBTQ youth disproportionately face bullying and harassment because of their identities. Each year, millions go purple for Spirit Day to support LGBTQ youth in a united stand against bullying. Pledging to "go purple" on Spirit Day is a way for everyone — global and local brands and companies, world leaders, celebrities, neighbors, parents, classmates, and friends — to visibly show solidarity with youth and to take part in the largest, most visible LGBTQ anti-bullying campaign in the world.

Health Care Forms

Fillable Health Care forms are now available for families who have children with asthma, seizure disorders, anaphylaxis, diabetes, and/or other prevalent medical conditions. This also applies to children who require the administration of medication at school. These forms can be accessed through the links below and/or a paper copy can also be requested from your child's school principal.

[Anaphylaxis Health Care Plan](#)

[Asthma Health Care Plan](#)

[Diabetes Health Care Plan](#)

[Epilepsy/Seizure Disorder Health Care Plan](#)

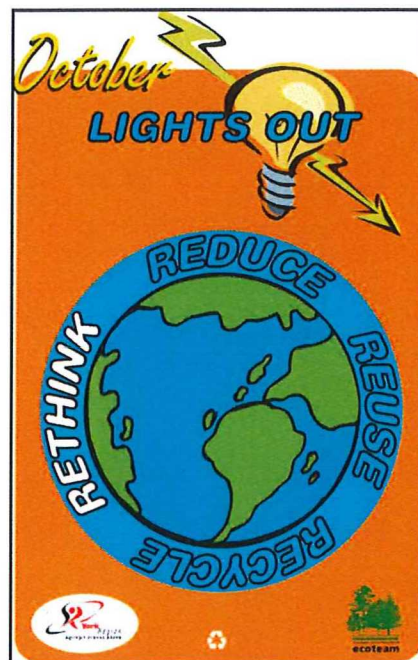
Once you've completed the appropriate Health Care Plan, please return it WITH the appropriate medication to school with your child. The form and medication can be placed in a sealable bag, with the student name marked on the bag and left at the office OR the form can be emailed to your Vice Principal:

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Alpha M-Z Michelle.Godfrey@yrdsb.ca

Weekly Quote

*The only time
you should ever
look back is to
see how far
you've come*

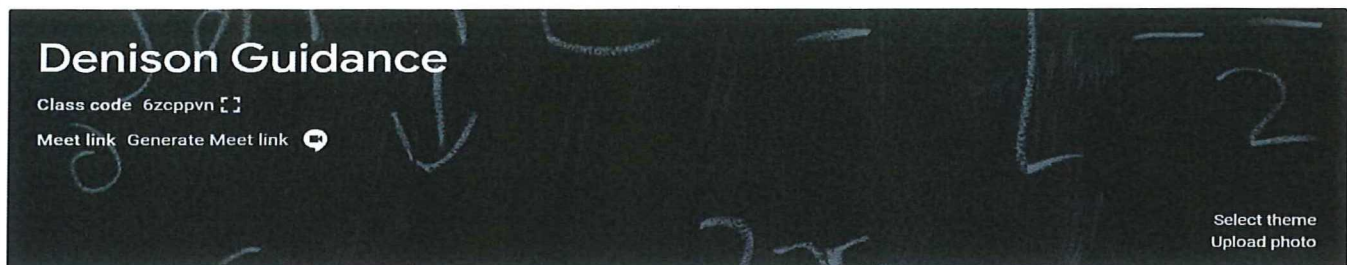


Online Learning Security

As an additional security measure for our online learning environments, new security controls have been added in Google to ensure that only students registered in the class can enter the teacher's Google Meet.

Friday News from Guidance!

Important Guidance information is being posted for students on the Guidance Google classroom!



Grade 12 students also have their own Guidance Google classroom.



- Community Involvement opportunities and updates! As of now you need your 40 hours!!
- Application information
- Important Dates and reminders
- Virtual Tours and sessions
- all power point presentations

We will be holding an important Virtual assembly for all grade 12 students on October 20 and 21 during period 1 about Scholarships, College and University timelines and process. It will also be posted on the Guidance classroom afterwards.

Semester 2 course changes will begin **November 2** by filling out the Google form on the Guidance Google Classroom. This form collects important data for us, time stamps entries and acts as the parent/guardian signature.

A list of available course by period and grade will also be posted.

Virtual Guidance appointments can be made by booking on Teach Assist for a google meet, a phone or email conversation.

Grade 9 Virtual class visits will occur next week to introduce grade 9 students to Guidance and show them how to book an appointment and access the information on the Guidance google classroom.

Parents can also access the **Guidance tab of the school website** for information and updates.

Rotation 3 for period 3 in class instruction occurs from October 13-26.

AFIWI ROOTS & REVIVAL

Virtual workshops for youth to connect with their roots and identity through the power of African Dance and Drumming!

In partnership with community organizations and funded by the Canadian Red Cross, Afiwi Groove School is offering a series of virtual workshops for youth across Canada

October 5 - November 28

Monday and Wednesday evenings

Afro Beats Dance
West African Ghanaian Dance
West African Malinke Dance
Afro Caribbean Dance
Djembe drumming



For more information, contact
outreach@afiwigroove.ca



www.afiwigroove.com

facebook.com/afiwigroove

[@afiwigroove](https://instagram.com/afiwigroove)

NACCA is partnering with AFIWI Groove School to deliver *Afiwi Roots & Revival* which is funded by the Canadian Red Cross. This is a FREE four week virtual introductory dance program starting October 5th, Here is what to expect:

- Week one: **Afro Beats**
- Week two: **Traditional West African Ghanaian Dance**
- Week three: **Traditional West African Malinke Dance**
- Week four: **Afro Caribbean Dance**

The 45 - minute classes will take place on Monday and Wednesday evenings during two time slots. Mondays are reserved for children under 12 years old and Wednesdays are reserved for older youth.

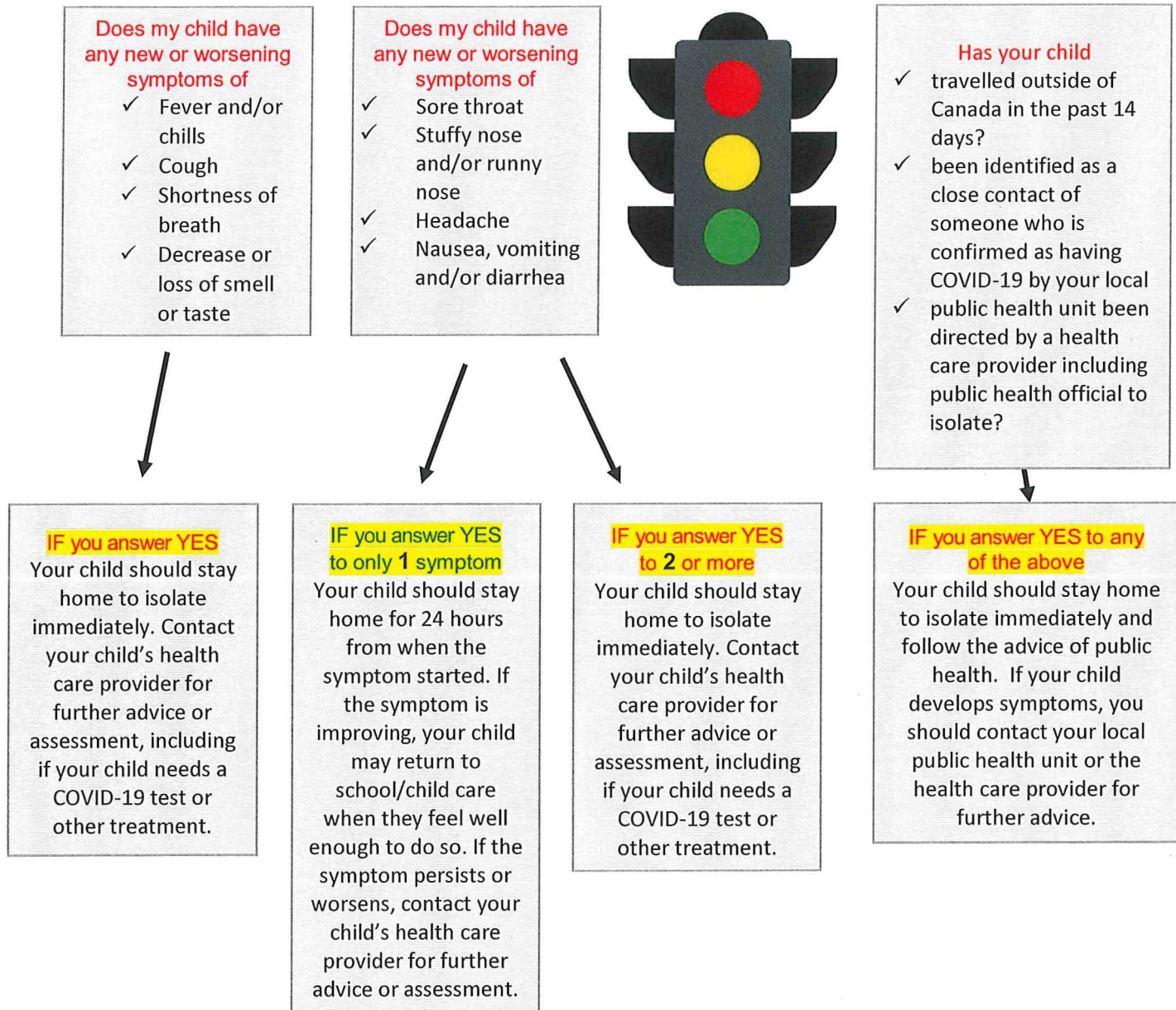
Monday Classes - 5:30PM- 6:15PM

Wednesday Classes - 6:30PM - 7:15PM

Space is limited so register early.

PREVENTING COVID-19 EXPOSURES IN THE SCHOOLS the following

flow chart is a decision model for determining a student's ability to attend school if they are experiencing ANY COVID 19 symptoms (from Ontario Ministry of Health <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/covid19-cms-assets/2020-10/Screening%20Children%20v1.0%202020-10-01%20FINAL%20EN%20AODA.pdf>).



To keep all safe within our school community, students who become ill will need to follow these guidelines and will not be able to attend school if they become ill.

Ongoing Open Registration for 2020-2021 Adult ESL, LINC & LBS Programs

English as a Second Language (ESL); Language Instruction for New Comers (LINC); and Literacy and Basic Skills (LBS) Classes

YRDSB offers Adult **English as a Second Language (ESL)** programs for those who want to develop effective language skills in speaking, listening, reading, and writing for daily life in Canada. We also offer specialized classes in *Citizenship* and *Conversation*.

Adult ESL Program Registration – In person and online options available!

1. Email uplands@yrdsb.ca or call **905-731-9557** with the following information:
 - your first and last name
 - your telephone number
 - CLARS identification number (those without a CLARS number will require an assessment, please contact us for further assistance).
2. Our office will contact you if additional documentation is required.
3. Visitors to Canada may also register and attend for a fee of \$10 per day, per class.

For an assessment or to register, please call: 905-731-9557



If you are interested in improving your digital skills, want to work on your resume or interview skills, or prepare to take your GED exam, our Literacy and Basic Skills (LBS) program is for you!

Literacy and Basic Skill Assessment – In person and online options available!

1. Email uplands@yrdsb.ca or call **905-731-9557 Ext. 307** with the following information:
 - your first and last name
 - your telephone number
 - tell us that you are “*interested in the LBS program*”

NOTE: Due to the high volume of inquires, it may take a few days to receive a reply communication from our office. We appreciate your patience.

Thank you for your interest in our programs. We look forward to serving you.



FREE ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES FOR ADULTS



Adult English as a Second Language & Citizenship Classes

Improve your listening, speaking, reading and writing skills

Communicate with confidence in English

Sem 1: September 11, 2019-January 22, 2021

Sem 2: January 27, 2021-June 12, 2021

MARKHAM & UNIONVILLE	DAY	TIME
Milliken Gospel Church 8 Elson Street (East of McCowan, North of Steeles) L3S 2C4	Monday to Friday	9:00-12:00 pm
Unionville Alliance Church 4898 16th Avenue (North Side, Between Kennedy Road & McCowan) L3R 0K6	Monday to Friday	8:30-11:45 pm 12:45-4:00 pm
NEWMARKET & AURORA	DAY	TIME
Bethel Church 333 Davis Drive, (East of Yonge) L3Y 2N6	Monday to Friday	9:00-12:00 pm
RICHMOND HILL	DAY	TIME
Community Education Center Central 317 Centre St, Richmond Hill (West of Bayview, North of Major Mackenzie Dr) L4C1B3	Monday to Friday	9:00-12:00 pm
Richmond Hill United Church 10201 Yonge St (North of Major Mackenzie Drive) L4C 3B2	Monday to Friday	9:00-12:00 pm
STOUFFVILLE & GEORGINA	DAY	TIME
EastRidge Evangelical Missionary Church 12485 Tenth Line (North of Main Street) L4A 7X3	Monday to Friday	9:00-12:00 pm
THORNHILL	DAY	TIME
Uplands Community Learning Centre 6210 Yonge Street (South of Hwy #7, west side of Yonge Street) L4J 1W6	Monday to Friday	9:00-12:00 pm 12:30-3:30 pm
	Monday to Thursday	7:00-9:00 pm
DISTANCE LEARNING CLASSES /ON LINE CLASSES		
ALL CANADIAN LANGUAGE BENCHMARK LEVELS	Monday to Friday	9-12:00 pm
		12:30-3:30 pm
		4-7:00 pm
		6-9:00 pm
		9-12:00 pm
	Monday, Wednesday, Friday	12:30-3:30 pm
	Monday to Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm
	Saturday	9-12 pm

For more information

Call 905-731-9557 or 905-305-4122 or email Uplands@ydsb.ca