



Dr. Denison Secondary School

May 2019

Relay for Life



We are really looking forward to our Relay for Life event, coming up on May 30th! We have almost 300 students registered to participate in the 12-hour event, each committing to raise a minimum of \$100 for the Canadian Cancer Society! Now that registration is complete, we are busy organizing the details for the day. We are

still accepting donations of money, food, and prizes for participants as well as food and gifts for the cancer survivors at our event. We are also looking for community partners that may want to provide entertainment for our participants throughout the event. If you are interested in helping us out to make our event a huge success, please contact us at jemva.morgan@yrdsb.ca. We would also like to extend an invitation to Denison family members for our Survivor's Victory Lap and Reception. If you are a cancer survivor or are currently battling cancer and would like to participate, please contact us by May 9th to register. Together we are bigger than cancer!

Sounds of Spring Concert

Our annual spring concert will be held on **Monday, May 27th at 7pm at Newmarket Theatre**. This concert will feature the guitar class and the senior band class, Jazz Band, Vocal Remedy, the Concert Band and the Wind Ensemble. Our program includes popular songs by Aretha Franklin, Queen, Kansas, Shawn Mendes and A-ha, as well as music from Aladdin and A Star is Born! Reserved tickets for this concert are available through School Cash Online or from Mrs. Hamilton in the Music Department for \$10/adults and \$8/students and seniors. Don't miss out on this great evening of live entertainment!

Important Dates to Remember:

May 2: Prom
May 3: PA Day
May 6: Ramadan Begins
May 20: Victoria Day
May 27: Music Concert
May 30: Relay for Life

Save the Dates:

June Exams: June 19-25
Exam Review Day: June 26
Graduation: June 27

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Aboriginal Awareness Week

May 24-27 is Aboriginal Awareness Week, a week to raise awareness about and honour the First Nation, Métis and Inuit cultures in Canada. The awareness week was first introduced in 1992 to increase awareness of Aboriginal peoples within the federal public service. It has since evolved into a broader celebration that gives people across Canada the opportunity to learn more about First Nation, Métis and Inuit peoples.

At the York Region District School Board, we are committed to raising awareness about First Nation, Métis and Inuit perspectives, cultures and histories.

Our First Nation Métis, and Inuit Education Steering committee, comprised of community and staff members, has developed the following vision to support the education of all students:

- We believe that all students can be successful.
- We believe that by honouring the rich histories, languages and cultures of the First Nation, Métis and Inuit peoples we will foster a safe and inclusive learning environment.
- We believe that by meeting our First Nation, Métis and Inuit students' spiritual, emotional, physical, and mental needs and by affirming pride in cultural identity we will encourage all students to reach their full potential.

The Board is committed to providing supports to ensure that all students of First Nation, Métis and Inuit ancestry have opportunities to be successful. To that end, the Board recognizes the need for Aboriginal students to self-identify to ensure that appropriate supports and services are being provided.

Grade 9 EQAO Math Assessment

Our Grade 9 students currently in Math classes will write the EQAO Math tests on June 13 & 14, 2019. The Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics measures how well students have met the expectations in the Grade 9 Mathematics curriculum for Applied and Academic courses. Student achievement in this assessment is reported using a four-level scale that is aligned with the scale used in The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 9 and 10: Mathematics and the Provincial Report Card, Grades 9-12, in the Ontario Curriculum. The results from this assessment provide baseline information that will assist in board and school improvement planning. Letters outlining test dates will be sent home on Monday, June 3rd. The students' results on the test comprise 5% of the students' final mark in Math.



Mental Health

What you Need to Know about....

Mental Health & Mental Illness in Children & Youth Fact Sheet for Parents and Caregivers.

Link: [Fact Sheet](#)



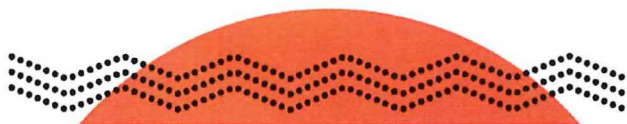
Community Hours

Reminder:

Grade 12 students that have volunteer hours are due ASAP to the Guidance office.

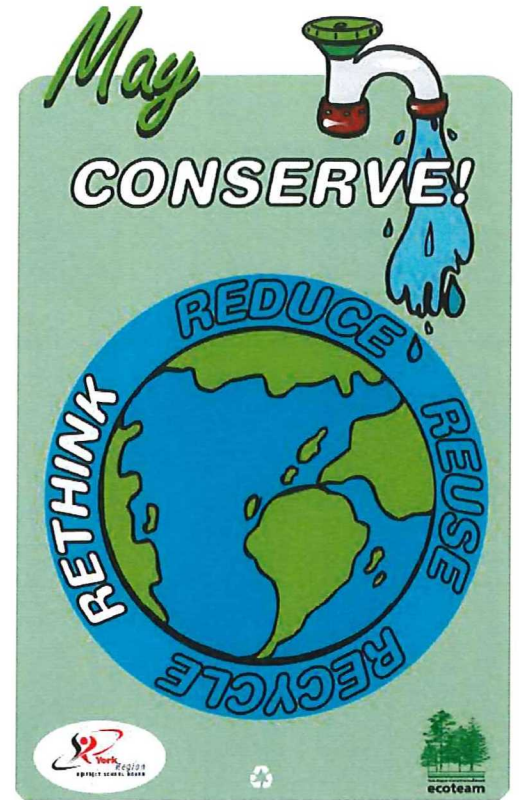
Bike to School Week

Let's get rolling! Join students and teachers across Ontario to celebrate Bike to School Week, Monday May 27 to Friday May 31, 2019.



Math Club

On Tuesday April 30th, 6 of our Math Club students represented our school at the Canadian Team Mathematics Competition, a fun and challenging team competition with 7 other YRDSB high school teams. The competition had 3 parts: an individual event, a team event, and a relay event. Students also enjoyed a presentation called "Think Mathematics" by Richard Dlin, a guest speaker from the University of Waterloo.



Ramadan



Ramadan, in Islam, the ninth month of the Muslim calendar and the holy month of fasting. It begins and ends with the appearance of the new moon.

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10:00 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Convocation Hall, University of Toronto
31 King's College Circle, Toronto, ON

Register Here:
uoft.me/navigating-your-future



Guidance News

- **Summer school online learning** registration continues for interested students. Register at www.yrdsb.ca and go to the Programs and Services tab. Scroll to summer school e-Learning. Students must bring the completed registration print out to Guidance so we can confirm they have a prerequisite. Summer DAY school registration is still on going and students can register on Career Cruising.
- **There are also NEW Summer School Dual credit courses offered in July at Seneca College (York University campus) and Centennial College (Progress Campus) Flyers are available in Guidance or an electronic copy of the flyer can be found at bit.ly/yrdsbsummerdc**

- **June 3, 2019: Deadline to confirm offers of Admission to Ontario Universities**

The earliest date an Ontario high school student may be required to respond to an Ontario university offer of admission and give a financial commitment (e.g., registration deposit, residence deposit, etc.).

Fast Track Student Conference for students transitioning to work or apprenticeships!

Meet employers, trade unions, and industry representatives! If you are an interested Grade 12 student please come to Guidance to get signed up for this May 15th conference!

Grad Gowns

The April deadline has passed. You must wear a gown for the graduation ceremony. If you still require a gown, come see us in the main office ASAP.

Gowns and tickets will be available for pickup in mid-June. Call the school if you want to be placed on a waiting list for extra tickets for special circumstances.

HOW DO YOU WANNA BE REMEMBERED?



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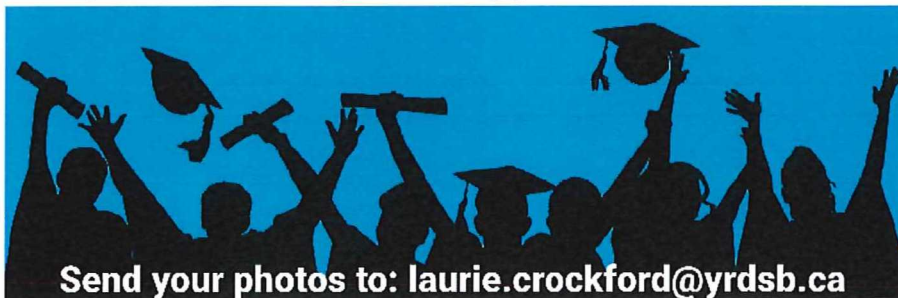
GRADUATION IS COMING!

CELEBRATE WITH US AT THE CEREMONY
SEND US YOUR PHOTOS FOR THE SLIDESHOW!

We would like:

- A cute baby picture
- A photo of you doing something you are proud of

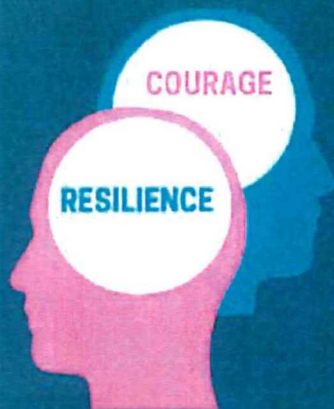
*Group photos will NOT be accepted, ONLY individuals
*Provide your first and last name
*Photos will only be used for the June 2019 graduation slideshow



Send your photos to: laurie.crockford@yrdsb.ca

Remember Guidance
appointments can be booked at
guidancedenison.youcanbook.m

LET'S TALK
TO
OUR TEENS



MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS



An invitation to attend a
FREE SYMPOSIUM
to increase awareness for
Parents/Guardians

COMPLIMENTARY EVENT - ALL WELCOME
Light Refreshments Provided

FEATURED SPEAKERS

Dr. Marshall Korenblum M.D., FRCP©, Dip. Child Psych
Michael Waxman, MSW
Dr. Madeleine Elton, N.D., R.N.
Dr. Diana Brecher, C.Psych.
Varahi Narendran

Psychiatrist
Social Worker
Naturopathic Doctor & Registered Nurse
Clinical Psychologist
University Student with personal experience

Moderator: Rosalie Moscoe, RHN RNCP

Registered Holistic Nutritionist

THURSDAY MAY 30 2019

REGISTRATION 6:45PM
EVENT 7PM - 9:30PM

4700 BATHURST STREET TORONTO, ON

LIMITED SPACE
PLEASE
PRE-REGISTER

INFO@NCJWCTORONTO.ORG
OR 416.633.5100



INTERNATIONAL AND INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES

**SECONDARY CREDIT PROGRAM
2019-2020**

Opportunities to earn secondary language credits towards graduation.

Duration

September to June (a minimum of 32 students is required for a course to be offered). PLEASE NOTE: Course offerings are not guaranteed as they are subject to sufficient enrolment, classroom and teacher availability.

Eligibility

Open to students who are non-native and native speakers.

Pre-requisites

Students must have the required pre-requisite course in order to enroll in a level 2/C or level 3/D International and Indigenous Languages course, regardless of fluency (i.e., students may not skip levels). Advanced standing is granted only to students who have recently arrived (6-12 months) in Ontario and have an equivalent course pre-requisite from the home province/country. See pre-requisite chart on the following page.

Course Materials & Fees

\$20.00 non-refundable consumable fee (collected by the YRDSB for additional resources). Any additional book fee will be collected during class hours. Students will be responsible for purchasing the course textbook/course packs which will be sold in September. International students are required to pay an additional \$1,437.50 for registration.

How to Register

YRDSB Student (currently attending program)

- Return the Course Option Card, signed by parent(s)/guardian(s), to the teacher before the last class.
- Attend the first day of class, as indicated, in September.

YRDSB Student (new to the program)

- From May until September 11, register online with [My Pathway Planner](#). For assistance, view the My Pathway Planner [tip sheet](#).
- After September 12, download the [registration form](#) and submit it to your school guidance counsellor. Take a copy of the approved registration form to your first class.
- Registrations will not be accepted after the third class.

Non-YRDSB Student

- Download the [registration form](#) or pick up a copy at the language school site at the date and times listed below. Complete the form and have it signed and sealed by your day school principal.
- When attending registration, please bring with you:
 - Completed and signed registration form
 - Credit Counselling Summary
 - Proof of status in Canada (Canadian citizens require one original Citizenship/Immigration document; other citizenships require two Citizenship/Immigration documents)
 - Completed [Proof of Pupil Eligibility form](#)
- Registrations will not be accepted after the third class.

Please note that non-YRDSB students will be enrolled only after all YRDSB students are placed.



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