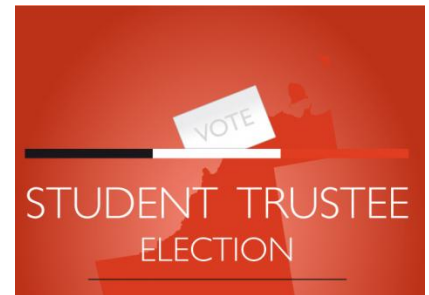
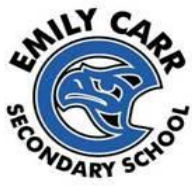


DATES AT A GLANCE		ECSS SEMI-FORMAL
Jan. 23	Gr. 9 Math EQAO	After three long years, Semi-Formal is back in action. On Thursday February 2nd, Emily Carr will be hosting its Semi-Formal Celebration at the Venetian Hall from 6:00pm -10:00pm. This is a great way to celebrate the end of the semester with dinner, dancing, photos and games! Tickets are \$85.00 and available for purchase on School Cash Online .
Jan. 26- Feb. 01	Exams & Culminating	GRAD PHOTO RETAKE DAY & NEW STUDENTS TO ECSS If any student needs a grad photo, an online sign-up site has been set up for ECSS. This is the last chance for graduating students to be on the composite. The website is: www.bookmygrad.ca the school code is YEC . Pictures will be taken in the Library Presentation Room. Please arrive on time according to your appointment time in order to avoid backlog.
Feb. 01	OCAS Application Deadline	
Feb. 02	Mark Review Day (modified schedule)	YRDSB STUDENT TRUSTEE ELECTIONS 2023 Students in Grades 5-12 will have an opportunity January 23-30 to participate in voting for the student trustee candidate who will represent our area of the board. Student trustees play an important role representing students in the school board. They network with students, staff and the Board of Trustees to share information that gives students a meaningful voice.
Feb. 02	Semi-Formal	All students in Grades 5-12 will receive an email in their GAPPS account. The email will include a link to a site where they will find information about candidates in our area, and a link to a form where they can submit their vote. One candidate will be selected by students to represent each of the four areas of the school board in the final vote. Later in February, students can vote for the final two candidates who will represent them during the next school year.
Feb. 03	P.A. Day	
Feb. 06	Sem. 2 Start	This is an important opportunity for students to participate in the student trustee elections and vote for the students who will represent their voice, so I encourage all students to check their email and take the time to vote. Learn more about the role and the election process at www.yrdsb.ca/studenttrustees .
Feb. 15	Course Offerings Fair	
Feb. 16	Grade Photo Retake Day & New Students	SEVERE WEATHER In order to prepare ourselves for the upcoming snowy season please be aware of the following: On days in which weather reports are indicating that York Region will be receiving some snow, you can obtain information in the morning about bus and/or school cancellations, such as, but not limited to the following:
Feb. 16	Course Selections for 2023/24 <u>OPEN</u>	
Feb. 20	FAMILY DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Student Transportation Services website: schoolbuscity.com ● Student Transportation Hotline: 1-877-330-3001 ● @YRDSB Twitter account ● Board website (www.yrdsb.ca) and school websites ● Radio and TV media outlets
Feb. 21	School Council Meeting	
Feb. 24	Course Selections for 2023/24 <u>CLOSE</u>	





SCHOOL COUNCIL

emily.carr.ss@sc.yrdsb.ca

Meeting Dates:

Tuesday Feb. 21 , 2023

Wednesday, Apr. 19, 2023

@ 7:00 p.m. - Library

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HELPFUL LINKS:

[ECSS Calendar](#)

[ECSS Website](#)

[YRDSB Website](#)

[ECSS Twitter](#)

[ECSS Instagram](#)

[York Region Public Health](#)

[Tips For Speaking With Your Child - COVID-19](#)

[Mental Health Supports](#)

[School Mental Health Ontario](#)

Please continue to monitor local media for up to date weather forecasts and take safety precautions advised by local authorities.

CULMINATING TASK/EXAM DAYS

During the Culminating Task/Exam days, January 26 - February 01, 2023 students may be participating in Culminating Tasks and/or Exams. Culminating activities may include, but are not limited to presentations, performances, demonstrations, portfolios, conversations and conferencing, etc. Each class is unique and teachers will create schedules, based on the dates noted, that best support student achievement. This may or may not include specific activities during the exam period. Teachers will communicate expectations for culminating/exam days directly with students and families. **Attached, you will find more details regarding culminating task/exam days and hard copies of the attachment will be available in the main office. Regular scheduled bussing will be provided; morning drop-off at school 8:00 a.m. and afternoon pick-up 2:50 p.m. All exams start at 8:30 a.m. Please confirm exam length with respective teachers and/or review the schedule attached as a separate document.**

Please note and review dates & times below:

- Students participating in culminating activities and/or credit salvaging may be asked to meet with their teacher during the school day, even outside of their regular class time.
- Students in Community Classes attend classes, attend as usual.

Culminating Task/Exam Days	
Period 01	Thursday, January 26, 2023
Period 02	Friday, January 27, 2022
Period 04	Monday, January 30, 2023
Period 05	Tuesday, January 31, 2023
Mark Review Day <i>*revised schedule</i>	Thursday, February 02, 2023
Severe Weather Days <i>(in needed)</i>	Wednesday, February 01, 2023 Thursday, February 02, 2023

Mark Review Day

Mark Review Day, February 02, is an opportunity for staff and students to discuss their culminating tasks and review final marks. The schedule for the day is:

Period 01 & Announcements	8:00 - 8:40 a.m.
Announcements	8:35 - 8:40 a.m.



Period 02	8:45 - 9:20 a.m.
Period 04	9:25 - 10:00 a.m.
Period 05	10:05 - 10:40 a.m.
LUNCH	10:40 - 11:30 a.m.

The afternoon will be used for teachers to make appointments for individual consultation with students/parents as needed regarding credit salvaging where deemed acceptable, course selection consultation and/or support for the next level of study.

MATH DEPARTMENT CONTESTS

Students in grades 9 - 11 are invited to write the University of Waterloo's Pascal (gr. 9), Cayley (gr. 10), or Fermat (gr.11) math contest. They will be written **in person** on **Wednesday, February 22nd**.

Participating in a mathematics and computing contest helps students develop invaluable skills, like creative problem-solving and big-picture thinking. Students applying to a program in the Faculty of Mathematics at the University of Waterloo are strongly encouraged to participate.

If they are interested in registering, please have your child join our google classroom (code 33lenal) and submit their payment on School Cash Online by **Thursday, February 2nd**.

Please email Ms. Kanesalingam (sharlene.kanesalingam@yrdsb.ca) if you have any questions.

VAUGHAN PUBLIC LIBRARY OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Volunteer Opportunities:** students can apply to be a Reading Buddy or a Tech Coach at our [opportunities webpage](#).
- **Breakout Design Challenge:** design an escape room on Mondays, 6:30-7:30pm from Jan. 9 - 30 at Bathurst Clark. Register [here](#).
- **Teen Book Club: What Are You Reading Now?** Thursdays from 3:30-4:30pm on Jan. 12 (this Thursday!) and Feb. 9 at Pierre Berton or over Zoom. Walk-in.
- **Virtual Reality Club:** Tuesdays from 3:00-4:30pm on Jan. 17 and Feb. 28 at Pierre Berton. Walk-in
- **Conversations on Social Inclusion: Funny, You Don't Look Autistic** on Jan. 18 at 7pm (virtual). Register [here](#).
- **Mental Health & Wellbeing Workshop** hosted by 360Kids, to help with managing stress particularly around exams. Jan. 18, 3pm at Pierre Berton. Walk-in.
- **Teen Book Club for American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang:** Thursday, Jan. 19 from 7:30-8:30pm at Bathurst Clark or over Zoom. Register [here](#).
- **Table Top Games for Teens:** Mondays from 3:00-4:00pm on Jan. 23 and Feb. 13 at Maple. Walk-in
- **Dungeons & Dragons Club:** monthly on Saturdays from 2:00-4:30pm on Jan. 28 and Feb. 25 at Pierre Berton. Register [here](#).
- **Chocolate Making:** Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 6:45pm. Cost is \$7. Hosted at VMC. Register [here](#).



- **Conversations on Social Inclusion: Autism and the Transition to Adulthood** on Feb. 22 (virtual) at 7pm. Register [here](#).

SEMESTER TWO COURSE CHANGES

Semester Two course changes are now complete. Students who were unable to schedule an appointment must reach out to their Guidance Counsellor via email or in person at the Guidance Office NO LATER THAN January 25th (prior to the exam period starting). There will be no course changes once Semester Two begins.

OCAS APPLICATIONS DUE FEBRUARY 1st

Students are reminded to complete applications as soon as possible to meet the application deadline. We also encourage students to reach out to the Guidance Office should they require support.

GOOD NEIGHBOUR RELATIONSHIPS

The students of E.C.S.S. have a shared responsibility with our community partners to ensure an inviting and clean environment for our neighbours and our community. Although the Al Palladini Community Center, the Pierre Berton Resource Library and the Business establishments at the Plaza are public facilities, they are to be treated as private property by our students.

We would like to remind our students that they are discouraged from “hanging out” in these different areas between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. During lunch students are welcome at both centers as long as they adhere to the City of Vaughan’s ‘Safe Community Centres Policy Code of Conduct’. We expect our students to be positive representatives of ECSS at school and in our community, being polite, staying out of unsupervised areas and courteous in behaviour or speech at all times.

PARKING LOTS

With icy conditions and darkness making it difficult to see, we kindly ask that staff, students and parents please slow down when driving through the parking lot.



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NAVIGATING OUR GRIEF WORKSHOP (AGES 14-17)

This workshop provides age-appropriate education & awareness about healthy expression of thoughts and feelings following the loss of a loved one. We are offering a safe space for youth to come together & share their feelings with others who have experienced a loss.

PARENTAL CONSENT REQUIRED FOR
YOUTH 16 & UNDER



FEBRUARY 1ST, 2023
4:30PM TO 5:30PM



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