



DATES AT A GLANCE

Nov. 27 - Dec. 14	Rotation #6
Dec. 7 Dec. 8 Dec. 9 Dec. 10 Dec. 11	Cohort A Cohort B Cohort A Cohort B Cohort A
Dec. 09	Academic Awards Virtual Celebration
Dec. 9 - 10	Distribution of 2019-2020 Yearbooks & Academic Awards
Dec. 11	Hanukkah (SFD)
Dec. 15	Rotation #7 Begins
Dec. 16	Full Disclosure
Dec. 21 - Jan. 1	Winter Break No School
Jan. 4	Rotation #7 Resumes
Jan. 13	Grade 8 Open House - Virtual

*SFD: Significant Faith Day

MESSAGE FROM ECSS ADMINISTRATION

During the course of the past week we entered into our sixth rotation. We would like to thank all students and families for their continued resiliency during this pandemic.

We have now completed our fire drills for semester 1 and would like to thank all students and staff for their cooperation in conducting these drills with COVID protocols in place.

We are kindly asking you to remind students to ensure they are socially distancing when exiting the building. We are having to remind students to maintain space outside of Emily Carr. Thank you all in advance for your continued efforts in ensuring the safety of everyone.

STUDENT DROP-OFF/PICK-UP

When dropping your child off at school in the morning or picking him/her up after school; we kindly ask that you use the designated student drop-off/pick-up. Please be mindful not to stop at or near the designated handicap area.

GRADE 12 GRADUATION PORTRAITS

Grade 12s, due to COVID-19 health protocols, we are in the process of looking into the best way we move forward with Graduation Portraits. As soon as we have more information, we will update you.

2020-2021 YEARBOOK: HISTORY IN THE MAKING

The 2020-2021 Yearbook is now on sale. Purchase your Yearbook before January 21st, 2021 at [SchoolCashOnline!](#)

Attention Grade 9s, 10s, & 11s: This year we are giving you the opportunity to take your own school portrait for the 2020-2021 Yearbook. Here are the photo requirements:

- Must wear ECSS colours
- The photo MUST be taken in portrait image orientation not landscape, and from the shoulders up
- Do not use any filters on your photo
- No hat or logos
- No hand signs/gestures
- MUST be taken in front of a blank wall (preferably a white wall)


Send your new school portrait to this link: <https://images.jostens.com/415763947>. Please include your full name, grade, and school email when submitting your photo. Please follow us @ecssyearbook2021 for an example and updates.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Registration for Winter Night School e-Learning is now open. Please refer to the attachment for instructions and details. Students will also find these instructions in their *My Pathway Planner* under 'Resources'

2019-2020 ACADEMIC AWARDS DISTRIBUTION, PICK-UP & CELEBRATION

Our ECSS 2019-2020 Academic Awards Virtual Celebration will be on Wednesday, December 09, 2020. Students who earned an award, have received an



*Academic Awards Virtual
Celebration!*
2019 - 2020

Please join Emily Carr Secondary School as we celebrate our Honour Roll Students.

Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

The link to the Academic Awards Virtual Celebration video will be sent to your YRDSB gapps account on Wednesday, December 9, 2020.



HELPFUL LINKS:

[ECSS Website](#), [YRDSB Website](#)
[ECSS Twitter](#), [ECSS Calendar](#)
[ECSS Instagram](#)
[York Region Public Health](#)

ATTENDANCE email:
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ATTACHMENTS:

1. **2021 Winter Night School & Elearning Registration Step-by-Step Instructions**

invitation in their YRDSB gapps account. On December 09, at 6:30 p.m., students/guardians of students who earned an award, will receive an email with a link to a pre-recorded ceremony that celebrates our students' accomplishments. The link will be active as of 7:00 p.m. and it may be viewed at your convenience. Awards will be delivered on December 09 (Cohort A) and 10 (Cohort B) 2020, to classrooms of students who are attending ECSS Face-to-Face (F2F).

In order to comply with COVID-19 protocols, students who are attending Secondary Virtual School (SVS) must complete the following [Google Form](#), using their @gapps.yrdsb.ca account, to arrange a date and time for pick-up on December 09 or 10, 2020 between 12:00-3:00 p.m. **The form must be completed by Monday, December 07, 2020 by 8:00 a.m.** As the student will be participating in SVS during the day, we kindly ask that a parent/guardian pick-up the academic award(s). When entering the building, please use the provided hand sanitizer and enter the cafeteria directly on your right and exit using the south cafeteria door.

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FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

The government is providing financial support to help parents and guardians with additional costs during the 2020-2021 school year during the second wave of COVID-19.

Eligible parents or guardians will receive a one-time payment of:

- \$200 for each child up to age 12
- \$250 for each child or youth up to age 21 years with special needs

This is a new program, and all parents or guardians who are residents of Ontario with eligible children will need to submit a new application for each child.

As of today, eligible parents or guardians can go to [Ontario.ca/SupportforLearners](https://ontario.ca/SupportforLearners) for more information and to apply for the one-time financial support. The deadline to apply is January 15, 2021.

NEWMARKET AFRICAN CARIBBEAN CANADIAN ASSOCIATION-MENTAL HEALTH STRATEGY

This survey is open to York Region residents - Black students and/or members of the Black community in particular. Participants will have an option to be entered into a draw for one of two \$25 UberEats gift cards. Participants may complete the survey [here](#).

[YORK HILLS WINTER BULLETIN - AVAILABLE WEBINARS](#) - see flyer for registration details.