



DATES AT A GLANCE

Nov. 10- Nov. 26	Rotation #5
Nov. 23 Nov. 24 Nov. 25 Nov. 26 Nov. 27	Cohort A Cohort B Cohort A Cohort B Cohort A
Nov. 25	School Council Meeting
Nov. 26	Graduation 2020-Virtual
Nov. 27	Rotation #6
Dec. 06	National Day of Remembrance & Action on Violence Against Women
Dec. 09	Academic Awards Virtual Celebration
Dec. 11	Hanukkah (SFD)
Dec. 16	Full Disclosure

*SFD: Significant Faith Day

MESSAGE FROM ECSS ADMINISTRATION

Dear Parents/Guardians,

During the course of the past week we continued to see students and staff following COVID-19 protocols while inside the school. Thank you for your continued efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Over the past year, we know a lot of families in our community have been struggling due to the impact of COVID-19. In an effort to help support local families and make the holidays a little brighter Emily Carr will be hosting a Holiday Food Drive. From November 23 to December 4, we are encouraging all students to bring in canned goods. All donations will be given to the Vaughan Food Bank. We will be following all COVID-19 protocols when students are dropping off goods.

GRADUATION 2020 - PACKAGE PICK-UP UPDATE & GUIDELINES

We are excited that we are in the final stages of getting ready for our first virtual graduation ceremony on Thursday, November 26, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. In order to comply with COVID-19 health and safety protocols please follow these guidelines:

- *Graduation Package Pickup:* MUST occur on your chosen day between November 23 - Thursday, November 26, 2020 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- *Parking:* We kindly ask that you or your guardian park in the south parking lot.
- *Social Distancing:* In order to support social distancing, a limited number of students/guardians will be allowed to enter the school at a time. Pylons will be placed in order to indicate and support social distancing.
- *Entering the school:* Front doors will be propped open and we ask that you use the provided hand sanitizer upon entering the school.
- *Exiting the school:* The back cafeteria door will be propped open and we kindly ask that you exit as soon as you receive your package in order to expedite the pick-up.

The link to the virtual graduation will be sent to your yrdsb gapps account on Thursday, November 26, 2020. Looking forward to seeing you again during graduation package pick-up!

MESSAGE FROM OUR SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our next school council meeting will be taking place on **November 25, 2020**. To join our meeting at 7:00 p.m. please click [here](#). All ECSS families are welcome to join us. An agenda will be made available on the school website on Monday, November 30, 2020.

ECSS VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUSE

Attention all Emily Carr Students: Do you have a talent that you would like to showcase? Can you sing, play an instrument, dance, do magic or maybe even recite a poem? We would love to have you at our Virtual Coffee House. Visit our instagram account (@ecssmusic) to sign-up for auditions and for more information. Coffee House will be aired virtually at a soon-to-be shared date.



HELPFUL LINKS:

[ECSS Website](#), [YRDSB Website](#)
[ECSS Twitter](#), [ECSS Calendar](#)

[ECSS Instagram](#)
[York Region Public Health](#)

ATTENDANCE email:
emilycarrss.attendance@yrdsb.ca

ATTACHMENTS:

- Scholarship Application Workshop - 2020
- Holiday Food Drive
- Mayor's Toy Drive Invitation Letter
- Toy Drive Poster 2020
- College Delivered Dual Credit Courses - Sem 2 - 2020-2021

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT REFLECTION EXERCISE FOR PAID EMPLOYMENT

Students aged 14 years and older can count up to a maximum of 10 hours from paid employment towards their earned hours at the discretion of the principal. Students counting paid employment towards their graduation requirement are required to complete a reflection exercise indicating how their work contributed to the service of others. Students can find the link to the reflective exercise in their *My Pathway Planner* under "student resources". Instructions for alternate options are provided there as well.

ONTARIO STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Students planning on applying for OSAP are encouraged to attend a virtual information session on "How to Pay for College & University" on Wednesday, November 25, 2020 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Please copy the link in your web browser and enter the room 15 minutes before the start time: [Ontario Student Assistance Program](#)

[PCMH VIRTUAL MEETING](#) - PCMH is the only provincial, family-led, non-profit organization that provides a voice for families who face the challenges of child and youth mental health issues. PCMH will be holding a virtual meeting on Monday, December 14, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

GRAD HOODIE

2020-2021 Graduating Students can purchase a graduation hoodie on [School Cash Online](#).

CONGRATS, GRADUATE!

Buy Your Graduation Hoodies!

The Original Grad Hoodie Price: \$40	Printed Grad Hoodie Price: \$33
	<small>This hoodie includes the ECSS logo on the hood with Class of 2021 on the front.</small>
<small>\$6 Extra for name personalization on the sleeve.</small>	