

Weekly e-bulletin

March 26, 2021

# DATES AT A GLANCE

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Mar. 25 - Apr. 7	Rotation #4 Begins
Mar. 29 and 30	Distribution of "Student Life Expo in a Box"
Mar. 29 Mar. 30 Mar. 31	Cohort A Cohort B Cohort A
Mar. 31	Virtual Interview Night
	New Students to YRDSB - Virtual Orientation Session
Apr. 1	Cohort B
	Holy Thursday (SFD)
Apr. 2	World Autism Awareness Day
	Good Friday (SFD) - No School
Apr. 5	Easter Monday (SFD) - No School
Apr. 6	Cohort A
Apr. 7 Apr. 8	Term 1 - End Date Term 2 - Start Date
Apr.12 - 16	Spring Break - No School
Apr. 12	Ramadan -Start (SFD)
Apr. 14	Vaisakhi (SFD)
*SFD	Significant Faith Day

#### MESSAGE FROM ECSS ADMINISTRATION

Dear Guardians/Families,

We would like to thank you for your continued patience and understanding as we navigate through the pandemic. Due to Public Health directing some staff to isolate due to school closures, daycare closures etc., we are moving some of our classes fully online. This is to ensure students are receiving instruction from their regular teacher.

## **INTERVIEW NIGHT - GOOGLE MEET - TEACHASSIST**

A reminder that Interview Night will take place on March 31, 2021 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Timelines can be viewed below.

INTERVIEW NIGHT 2021 - IMPORTANT TIMELINES		
March 22	TeachAssist Interview Night scheduler opens to families:	
March 22 -26	Families make Interview Night appointments on TeachAssist	
March 26	Confirmation emails sent to families from teachers with Google Meet links for the interview.	
March 31	Interview Night, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	

### **2021 GRADUATION PORTRAITS**

We are happy to inform you that 2021 Graduation Portraits will be occurring May 17-20, 2021 at ECSS. At this time, we have the following information to share:

- Students must wear their own cap and gown.
- If you purchased a cap/gown, it will be available for pick-up before May 17, 2021. After the cap/gown order has been delivered to the school, we will inform potential graduates when and how pick-up will occur.
- Students will stand not sit.
- Bookings will be completed online.
- All fees will be paid online.
- Packages will be available to view online.
- Photos will be mailed directly to students.

Information about when and how bookings will occur will be shared with you as soon as we have that information from the photography company.

# **MID-SEMESTER MARKS**

Attached you will find a letter with the following information:

- Semester 2 Midterm reporting dates for all students
- Full disclosure dates for all students in grade 11 and/or grade 12 courses
- Key dates and information for potential graduates applying to Ontario Colleges and/or Universities

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# **HELPFUL LINKS:**

ECSS Website, YRDSB Website,

ECSS Twitter, ECSS Calendar,
ECSS Instagram
York Region Public Health
Tips For Speaking With Your Child
- COVID-19

Mental Health Supports
School Mental Health Ontario
YRDSB Covid-19 Mental Health
Resources for Students and
Families

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# **Attachments:**

- ECSS Mid Semester Mark Reporting Update, 2020-2021-Semester 2
- AutoConnect Poster Opportunities for Black Youth
- Here to Help Line Flyer

Our reports provide you information about your child's achievement throughout the second semester. Of note is that this reporting period reflects learning that has occurred in a modified learning environment as required by the provincial public health guidelines.

Reports cards are part of the ongoing communication from our school to support student achievement and well-being. Distribution of your child's mid semester report card for the second semester will begin on April 27, 2021. These reports will be distributed using the same process used for past reports via student GAPPS accounts. More information on how to access the reports will be provided through our weekly guardian e-bulletin the week before distribution.

#### STUDENT LIFE EXPO IN A BOX - FREE

This box includes viewbooks, brochures, promotional items, swag, and some giveaways. Every student will receive a unique code to get Microsoft 365, and be able to participate in a contest for a \$2,000 tuition prize, and a chance to win 1 of 3 surface laptops. Interested students can log into their GAPPS account and complete the <u>Student Life Expo in a Box Form</u>. There is a LIMITED SUPPLY OF BOXES which will be allocated on a first come first served basis. These boxes will be distributed in the cafeteria between 10:30 am - 11:00 am on Monday, March 29th (Cohort A) and Tuesday, March 30th (Cohort B). Please note that the form will close on Sunday, March 28th, or sooner if all requests have been fulfilled.

#### VIRTUAL COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY OPEN HOUSES & TOURS

Attending a virtual college and university open house or tour is a great way to find out more about the campus, the programs, and the environment. Each post-secondary institution offers a variety of events throughout the year for secondary school students, but especially during the months of March and April. We encourage families to visit each institution's website to find out more details.

## **CELEBRATE 2021 ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH**

This contest is open to youth age 12 - 22 years who would like to use their creative voice to inspire positive race relations and a world imagined. For more information see attached.

## **COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES AND HEALTHY BOUNDARIES**

Parent Engagement Event: "Communication Strategies and Healthy Boundaries". Participants can choose to attend the sessions in Mandarin, Cantonese or English. The sessions are provided by Hong Fook and Family Services for York Region.

MEMO TO INVITE INDIGENOUS ADULTS AND FAMILIES FOR VACCINATION

Information on vaccination opportunities for Indigenous residents.

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