



DATES AT A GLANCE

Mar. 02 - 05	Study and Go Abroad Fair
Mar. 08	International Women's Day
Mar. 12	Daylight Savings
Mar. 13 - 17	WINTER BREAK - No School
Mar. 22-27	Interim Reports e-distributed
Mar. 30	Interview Night
April 1	Autism Awareness Month
April 3-5	Gr. 10 OSSLT
April 7	GOOD FRIDAY No School

SCHOOL COUNCIL

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Meeting Dates:

Tuesday Feb. 21, 2023
Wednesday, Apr. 19, 2023
@ 7:00 p.m. - Library

MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION

In the Spring of 2023, YRDSB will be engaging all students in the [Every Student Counts Survey](#).

From February 27, 2023 - March 10, 2023, parents/guardians of students in **Grades 4-12** who do not wish for their child to receive the survey will have the opportunity to opt them out. Families who do not wish for their child to receive the survey can opt them out by filling out this [form](#), or they can contact CCI Research by phone **1-866-450-4907**.

INTERIM REPORTS

Each semester, families will receive three reports including the Interim Report, Mid-Semester Report and Semester End Report. Our reports provide you information about your child's achievement throughout the respective semester.

Interim reports are part of the ongoing communication from our school to support student achievement and well-being. We hope that this report will provide valuable feedback for your child while supporting conversations about learning at home. Distribution of your child's interim report card for the second semester will begin on Wednesday, March 22, 2023. These reports will be distributed using the same process used for Mid-Semester and Final Reports via student GAPPS accounts. An email to parents/guardians informing them that a copy of the Interim Report Card will be in each student's GAPPs account and how to access it.

INTERVIEW NIGHT - BOOKING INFORMATION - TEACHASSIST

We are pleased to announce that Interview Night will be taking place at Emily Carr on **March 30, 2023**. ECSS will be using teachassist to manage our Interview Night scheduling. Families will be able to make appointments beginning on March 22, 2023.

INTERVIEW NIGHT 2023 - IMPORTANT TIMELINES

March 22, 2023	TeachAssist Interview Night scheduler opens to families
March 22-29, 2023	Families make Interview Night appointments on TeachAssist
March 30, 2023	Interview Night, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

MOVING FORWARD HAND IN HAND PARENT/GUARDIAN WORKSHOP

The York Region District School Board in collaboration with The Alliance of Educators for Black Students, presents Moving Forward Hand in Hand, a parent/caregiver workshop supporting students of African Caribbean Canadian Heritage. Free Virtual workshop series for the 2022-2023 school year, Workshop 2: Exploring Internet Usage and Its Impact on Mental Health for Black Youth March 29th, 2023, 6:30 PM. Join us for an evening of community, conversation and knowledge exchange. Please refer to the flyer below and register by March 24, 2023.



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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](#)

SUMMER PATHWAY PROGRAMS 2023: CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

The Summer Pathways Program 2023 flyer is provided below. Registration for summer co-operative education programs are now open and close at 4:00 pm on Friday, March 10th. Students are asked to pop by 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.

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:

- 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

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

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.



The Centre for Black Student Excellence

The Centre for Black Student Excellence is a space of learning and discovery committed to the promotion of dismantling anti-Black racism and amplifying voices that have been historically marginalized.

Visit us at www.yrdsb.ca/blackexcellence to:

- Access videos, resources and information about community partners.
- Learn more about our work to dismantle anti-Black racism, guided by our strategy.
- Celebrate Black excellence through video, feature stories, podcasts and more.
- Find out about programs available to Black students and families.
- Check out our new community newsletter.
- And much more.

Mailing List

Want to stay up-to-date on programs, resources and events in our community that support Black student excellence?

Subscribe to the Centre for Black Student Excellence Mailing List today to receive information related to supporting Black students, celebrating Black excellence and dismantling anti-Black racism.

You can unsubscribe at any time.

Learn more at www.yrdsb.ca/blackexcellence.



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Canadian Heritage

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Workshop 2

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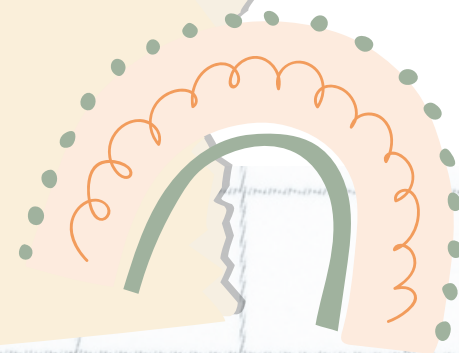
Please Register using link or the qr code below by
March 24, 2023

[Registration Link](#)



For more information, please contact the YRDSB Community Care Team School
Social Workers for the African Caribbean Diaspora Tracy Thomas–Elleston,
tracy.thomas-elleston@yrdsb.ca or Melanie Beckford melanie.beckford@yrdsb.ca .

Math



Contests!

Google Classroom Code: **33LENAL**

Participating in contests helps students develop invaluable skills, such as creative problem-solving and big-picture thinking.

Contests can help students:

- discover and grow a love of mathematics and computer science,
- apply knowledge in novel situations, and
- make connections across topics in mathematics and computing.

Contests are challenging but attainable activities for young learners. They build students' confidence in their ability to tackle difficult problems — a key ingredient for student success both inside and outside the classroom!

Fryer, Galois & Hypatia Contests

- Gr. 9, 10, & 11 students
- Payment Deadline:
Thursday, March 9, 2023
- Contest Date:
Wednesday, April 5th

Euclid Contest

- Gr. 12 students
- Payment Deadline:
Thursday, March 9, 2023
- Contest Date:
Tuesday, April 4th



PATHWAYS PROGRAMS 2023

www.yrdsb.ca/pathways

Dual Credits (July 4 - 28, 2023)

Summer Dual Credits program allows secondary students in grades 11 and 12 to explore the college pathway while taking courses in an area of interest. Students simultaneously earn two credits; one college credit and one secondary school elective credit. All costs are covered, including course tuition fee and college books. The colleges will be offering the dual credit programming in person through local GTA Colleges.

For more information on eligibility and courses visit:

<https://bit.ly/summerdcflyer>

Program Dates: July 4 - 28, 2023

Registration: <https://bit.ly/yrdsbsummerdc> open in late April 2023

Deadline: June 23, 2023, or until filled

Youth Innovation by Design (July 4 - 28, 2023)

The Youth Innovation by Design course (IDC4U or IDC4O) focuses on ways in which innovators identify problems, see them as opportunities, generate ideas, and organize resources to develop and take successful solutions forward into the world. Students will use a variety of design thinking techniques to develop and grow their ideas. They will consider the ethical and legal implications of decisions, as well as related financial literacy and sustainability models. Student learning will be supported by guest speakers and mentors provided through a collaboration with York University's YSpace-Markham and Innovation York. SHSM students can earn a variety of certificates and components towards their SHSM designation.

Program Dates: July 4 - 28, 2023, 8:30am - 3:30pm

Registration: Through My Pathway Planner in late April 2023

Location: YSpace Markham 169 Enterprise Blvd,
Markham, ON L6G 0E7

2 Credits Co-op (May 23 - July 28, 2023)

2 Credits Co-op is available to students in grades 10 - 12 interested in a work experience. Students will participate in remote/in-person learning (see schedule below) and in-person/virtual Co-op Placements in their community during the month of July. Pre-placement classes will take place Tuesday evenings from May 23 to June 7, 2023 between 5:00pm - 9:00pm. In-person classes will take place at Dr. Bette Stephenson Centre for Learning at 36 Regatta Avenue in Richmond Hill.

Students entering grade 12 who could not fit Co-op into their regular timetables will be given first consideration.

Program Dates:

In-person Pre-Placement: May 23 (5pm-9pm),
June 27 (5pm-9pm)

Virtual Pre-Placement: May 30 (5pm-9pm), June 6 (5pm-9pm),
June 13 (5pm-9pm), June 20 (5pm-9pm)

Placement: July 4 - July 28 (40 hours/week)

Integration Classes: TBD

Registration: <https://bit.ly/YRDSBSummerCo-op>

Opens on Friday March 3, 2023 at 9:00am

Deadline: Friday March 10, 2023 by 4:00pm



SHSM 2 Credits Co-op: Mackenzie Health/Cortellucci Hospital (May 17 - August 4, 2023)

The SHSM Summer Co-op Program is for SHSM students in Health & Wellness or Business (for select positions), interested in working at Mackenzie Health/Cortellucci Hospital. Students are eligible to earn two Cooperative Education credits while developing skills and gaining experience in the Health & Wellness or Business SHSM Sectors. Students will participate in remote/in-person learning (see schedule below) and gain work experience at either the Mackenzie Health or Cortellucci location during the month of July. Pre-placement classes will take place in-person and virtually beginning in May (see schedule below). In-person classes will take place at St. Theresa of Lisieux CHS at 230 Shaftsbury Avenue in Richmond Hill. All summer Co-op students are required to volunteer at the hospital for two weeks after the end of the Co-op term.

Due to limited enrollment, SHSM students entering grade 12 who could not fit Co-op into their regular timetables will be given first consideration. Applicants will be contacted for interviews. This program is in collaboration with YCDSB.

Program Dates:

In-person Pre-Placement: May 27 (9am-3pm), June 10 (9am-3pm)

Virtual Pre-Placement: May 17 (4-8pm), May 24 (4-8pm),
May 31 (4-8pm), June 7 (4-8pm)

Placement: July 4 - August 4 (8:30am - 5:00pm)

In person Integration Classes: Fri, July 14 (8:30-4:30),
Fri, August 4 (8:30-4:30)

Volunteer Days: August 7 - 18, 2023

Registration and Further Information:

<https://yrdsb.ca/HospitalSummerCo-op2023>

Opens on Friday March 3, 2023 at 9:00am

Deadline: Friday March 10, 2023 by 4:00pm

1 Credit Co-op (July 4 - 28, 2023)

1 Credit Co-op is available to students in grades 10 - 12 interested in a work experience. Students will participate in remote/in-person learning and in-person/virtual Co-op Placements in their community during the month of July. In person classes will take place at Dr. Bette Stephenson Centre for Learning at 36 Regatta Avenue in Richmond Hill.

Students entering grade 12 who could not fit Co-op into their regular timetables will be given first consideration.

Program Dates:

In person Pre-placement: July 4 - 6

Placement: July 7 - 28 (40 hours/week)

Integration Classes: to be determined

Registration: <https://bit.ly/YRDSBSummerCo-op>

Opens on Friday March 3, 2023 at 9:00am

Deadline: Friday March 10, 2023 by 4:00pm

Supporting Students in the Aftermath of the Earthquakes

Date: March 7th, 2023

Time: 4:15–5:45 pm

[Register here](#)



Omar Zia

*Muslim Educators
Network of Ontario*



Aasiyah Khan

*National Council of
Canadian Muslims*



Huma Saeedi

*Registered Psychotherapist
Cedarway Therapy*

In this virtual workshop, participants will:

- Learn to recognize signs of grief, loss and trauma in students
- Access culturally responsive resources and community partners to support impacted students and families
- Deepen understanding of systemic barriers in education for students and families



Dear Parents, Guardians, and Caregivers,

As you may know, the York Region District School Board has unveiled new anti-sex trafficking protocols, which provide resources and training for teachers, parents, guardians, and caregivers, as well as curriculum pieces geared toward students. On Monday, March 6th the Women's Support Network of York Region will be facilitating a youth-friendly, age-appropriate, and youth-focused presentation on Anti-Sex Trafficking to Grade 9 students in the Health and Physical Education classes. This presentation will educate students about sexual exploitation by exploring what it is, how it can happen, warning signs, helpful relationships, consent, and where to go in the community for support if they have experienced sex trafficking. Our approach is to address this difficult topic in different ways for everyone in the community and this includes awareness opportunities for parents, caregivers, and guardians.

That being said, the Women's Support Network of York Region is inviting you to attend a virtual presentation on Monday, March 13th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (EST) about Anti-Sex Trafficking, which is geared toward parents, guardians, and caregivers. This educational session will equip parents, guardians, and caregivers with the tools necessary to understand, identify, and recognize the signs of sex trafficking, what sex trafficking is, and how it happens. This session will also emphasize how to respond to disclosures and address the immediate concerns of youth survivors. Learning about sex trafficking together is critical in reaching and supporting youth in your community.

In Solidarity,

The Women's Support Network of York Region

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of york region
Réseau de soutien pour les femmes
de la région de York

Women's Support Network of York Region is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Anti-Human Trafficking Presentation for Caregivers/Parents/Guardians

Time: Mar 13, 2023, 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86827327773>

Meeting ID: 868 2732 7773

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Find your local number: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/kcjch6OY60>

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