The Warrior

April 5, 2024 - VOL. 13

Dates at a Glance				
April 8	Solar Eclipse - Early Dismissal			
April 10	Eid-ul-Fitr			
April 11-12	OSSLT			
April 12	International Day of Pink			
April 14	Vaisakhi			
Looking Ahead				
April 20	Ridvan			
April 23	Pesach/Passover			
April 29 - May 3	Mid-Term Reports Distributed to Students			
	School Website			

School Bus Transportation

Please visit <u>www.schoolbuscity.com</u> daily to confirm bus arriving and departing on time.

School Council Meeting for 2023-2024 May 21, 2024

Attendance Update

If your child is going to be absent, please call the school in the morning as soon as possible. If you are signing out your child throughout the day, please call the school in advance so the teacher and attendance office are notified of the absence.

(905) 895-2384 ext. 183

Modified Schedule – Monday April 8

As noted in an earlier communication, Monday April 8th will be a shortened school day due to the expected solar eclipse.

Students will be dismissed at 12:45 on Monday April 8th. Bussing has been adjusted so that students will be picked up at the 12:45 dismissal.

Following is the schedule for this day:

Monday April 8

Period 1	9:10 - 10:19
Period 2	10:23 - 11:32
Period 3	11:36 - 12:45

Please note that periods 4 & 5 are cancelled on this day.

If a student will be absent on this day, please call the school following regular absence reporting procedures.

International Day of Pink

Next week we acknowledge and celebrate the International Day of Pink. All students and staff have the right to learn and work in environments that are free from hate, discrimination and harassment. In allyship and solidarity we, as a Huron community, stand against bullying and homophobia. On Tuesday April 9 all grade 9 and 10 students will share in a theatre performance that raises awareness, builds inclusion and dismantles discrimination for students and staff in LGBTQ communities. We know that positive acts of advocacy have an impact on culture and our environment. We therefore also encourage all to wear pink on Wed April 10 to show support and allyship on this International Day of Pink.

OSSLT Update

The OSSLT will be written on April 11&12th. Practice sessions will be offered in the coming days to those wishing to participate in them. The link shared provides students with an opportunity to work through the practice test.

OSSLT Online Practice Test

Huron Highlights





WHY JOIN BEST BUDDIES?

- MAKE NEW FRIENDS
- BREAK DOWN STEREOTYPES
- DEVELOPE LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- PROMOTE INCLUSION

Spread Inclusion, acceptance & Friendship

FOR MORE INFORMATION SPEAK TO MS VANDERMEER IN RM 311



Please see the following links for Resources & Workshops for Families:

Student Mental Health & Addictions Newsletter - April 2024

STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS!

THIS YEAR WE ARE ELECTING 8 DIFFERENT POSITIONS!

Our biggest <u>leadership roles</u> include:

- President
- Vice President

CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT MUS HAVE ONE FULL YEAR OF STUDEN

These candidates will submit a <u>unideo speech</u>, which will be shown to classes for voting!

Our other <u>internal roles</u> keep the school running smoothly:

- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Equity and External Affairs Coordinator
- Social Media Coordinator
- Announcements Coordinator
- Spirit day and Events Coordinator

These candidates will submit a <u>paragraph</u> outlining their skills and goals for review, and once approved they will be added to the ballots for voting

SO ARE YOU READY TO RUN?

HERE ARE THE RULES:

- Each student will be allowed to submit one "poster" or infographic including a short biography or statement which will be screened and posted to school bulletin boards and the student council social media page.
- Any campaigning material provided by the candidate but be approved by the school administration team.
- Any slander or profanity will result in termination of candidacy.
- Any advertisement posted inside or outside of the school or school social media must be approved by the school administration team.

STUDENTS MUST ATTEND THE INFORMATION SESSION TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RUN FOR ANY POSITION!

- Thursday, April 11, 3:45-4:45 pm in room 415
- Information session will outline rules, procedures, and important dates regarding the elections
 Students can pick up an information and application
- · package at the end of the meeting



Representatives will be held in September 2024

Guidance Department Information

BOOKING A GUIDANCE APPOINTMENT

Your Guidance Department is available to help support you and answer questions.

- Appointments will be booked on TeachAssist. You will see each counsellor's schedule of available time slots at the top of your TeachAssist account when you log on.
- Time slots are 15 minutes each but if you feel you may require a longer time period (eq., Planning for Post-Secondary) then book two consecutive spots. If you are in class at the time of your booked appointment, please let your teacher know at the beginning of the class that you have an appointment.

Guidance Google Classrooms

General Guidance Google Classroom- Classroom Code: **c57mh6x**

Graduating Classroom- Classroom Code: 4r2zrsk

HHSS Guidance Department

Which Counsellor Should I See?*

- *Students can choose a counsellor outside of their alpha but we do ask that students establish corresponding with one counsellor so that they can build a rapport.
- * Confidentiality is protected except if we have a concern about your safety or the safety of others.

Student Surname (by Alpha)	Counsellor	Counsellor Email	School Number: 905-895-2384 Ext:
A – H Arts Huron Students	Mrs. Barnard	patricia.barnard@yrdsb.ca	X 200
I - R Dual Credits	Mr. Gorman	jon.gorman@yrdsb.ca	X 194
S - Z SHSM Students	Ms. Phylactou	phylitsa.phylactou@yrdsb.ca	X 192
S - Z International Students	Ms. Bradshaw Head of Guidance	kelly.bradshaw@yrdsb.ca	X 191

YRDSB SUMMER SCHOOL

Secondary summer school registration opens April 9 and closes June 7, 2024 (closes June 7 for ACCELERATION only)

If you know you are planning on registering for a summer school credit, please register ASAP. Waiting to register may result in the course being full. There will be in-person summer school at various locations offering grade 10-12 courses as well as ESL courses. There are also online learning option (asynchronous) for acceleration.

ACCELERATION- 4 weeks Taking the course for the first time or a repeat of the course if not recommended for REINFORCEMENT

REINFORCEMENT (CREDIT RECOVERY)- 2 weeks will continue to be open after June 7. Students must be recommended by the teacher as well as the student success team (including the Principal), in order to take REINFORCEMENT.

CREDIT STRENGTHENING

Students who wish to upgrade their mark in credits they have previously earned. Compulsory courses offered can be found in my Pathway Planner. Students cannot take an acceleration course at the same time.

For more information please book a guidance appointment or visit:

https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/secondary-school/summer-learning-opportunities









Community Involvement Hours

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As part of the diploma requirements, students must complete a minimum of 40 hours of community involvement activities. Accumulation of community involvement hours may begin the summer after grade 8.

All graduating students will need to complete and submit their Community Involvement Hours by May 1, 2024

Our Community Involvement Form can by found at:

Notification and Completion of Community Involvement Activities

OR

Google Form Version (PDF will be automatically emailed to your GAPPS Account)

Notification and Completion of Community Involvement Hours Google Form

Please completed forms, sign and email or print and return to guidance

Information outlined on the Community Involvement form outlines acceptable and unacceptable activities. YRDSB updated the Community Hours Policy so please review.

POST SECONDARY OFFERS

This is just a friendly reminder to make sure that students are checking their emails and OUAC/OCAS accounts to make sure that they are managing information coming from the Colleges & Universities. Some offers have already happened or will be coming in the next few weeks. Mid Term upload of marks will be happening by April 26th. Make sure you are following instructions!!!! Graduation Post Secondary School Assembly will be on April 18th during period 3.

Post Secondary College GTA Information

COLLEGE DEGREE PANEL- On Tuesday, March 5 during period 2, 6 local colleges (Centennial, George Brown, Georgian, Humber, Seneca & Sheridan), spoke to Grade 11 Students about the Degree Programs. Similar to university, degrees at any Ontario College require 6 U or M courses. Click on links below for more information:



Spring Open House- Centennial
All campuses Sun. April 14 with
tours at 10am and 1pm





Spring Open House-HumberAll campuses Sat. April 6 10am
– 2pm





Spring Open House-SenecaAll campuses Sat. April 20
9am – 12pm



Spring Open House- George Brown All campuses Sat. April 13 10am – 2pm

Specialist High Skills Major



SHSM General Information

FOR PARENTS: WHAT IS SHSM?

SHSM information and upcoming activities are posted on the Huron Heights SHSM Classroom (Class code 4p752zx). Additional information and resources are located on the YRDSB Student SHSM site. Students must be in their GAPPS account to access and GAPPS classrooms or sites.

Is your child in Grade 10? Sign up for SHSM now

ils your child in **Grade 11** and interested in one of our sectors? Complete the **SHSM Application** with your child **ASAP!**!

Is your child in SHSM **Grade 12**? Ask them if they have had their SHSM Grad Meeting with Ms Phylactou. Book an appointment with **Ms Phylactou** for more information.

Grade 11s and 12s should also be enrolled in the GUIDANCE

GRADS CLASSROOM: 4r2zrsk

SHSM STUDENTS SHOULD CROSS CHECK the <u>SHSM PATHWAY</u>
<u>CHARTS</u> in February to ensure they request SHSM eligible courses



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Not in SHSM?





FREE Upcoming Events for SHSM Students

ALL SHSM FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AND SHOULD BE RETURNED TO GUIDANCE

Mar. 26-27	SHSM Mandatory First Aid	Group 1 (Sem. 2)
March 28	Deadline to <u>register</u> for April 4 Virtual SPE Event	All Sectors
Apr. 3-4	SHSM Mandatory First Aid	Group 2 (Sem. 2)
April 4	Virtual SPE - Game Based Learning with Unreal Engine (SPE and Experiential Learning)	All Sectors (See flyer below_
April 4	Special FX makeup and face painting - only 15 spots	Hospitality and Tourism (HT) HW students AC students
April 5	Toronto Zoo - Career Exploration	All Sectors
April 16 and 19	Conducting Workshop per 3 both days	Arts and Culture (AC)
April 24	SHSM SPE event - Form in Guidance	All SHSM students who have not completed
May 2	OCAD Grad Show (Reach Ahead)	Arts and Culture
May 9	Perceiving Health Workshop per 2 (Career Exploration)	Health and Wellness (HW)



Kaneisha Thusyanthan 2023 SHSM Graduation Award Recipient



