The Warrior

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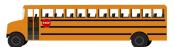
Dates at a Glance

March 11-15	Mid-Winter Break
March 18	School Council Meeting - 7pm in the Library
March 21	World Down Syndrome Day

Looking Ahead

March 25	Interim Reports Distributed
March 29	Good Friday
April 1	Easter Monday
April 2	World Autism Awareness Day
April 4	HHSS Teacher Family Conference Night
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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 March 18, 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

Washroom Supervision

On Monday March 18th HHSS staff will be instituting a scheduled washroom supervision and monitoring program. It is expected that 3 male and 3 female washrooms will be open for student use. Each washroom will be supervised by a staff member. There will be a limited number of students who can use the washroom at one time. The staff member supervising the washroom will manage the number of students entering and exiting the washroom. Announcements outlining expectations will be delivered to all students the week of March 18th. Please share this information with your child.

Last 15 Minutes of Class

In order to protect instructional time and the consolidation of learning, beginning Monday March 18th students will not be permitted to leave their classroom for washroom breaks during the last 15 minutes of the class. Announcements outlining this expectation will be delivered to all students the week of March 18th. Please reinforce this expectation with your child.

Parent/Guardian Night and EDSBY Booking Tool

Teacher Night is on **Thursday**, **April 4**, from **6:00** - **8:00** p.m. To book a time with your child's teacher you will need to access EDBSY, the YRDSB online Engagement Platform.

Parents/guardians may begin booking a time with teachers starting **Friday, March 22nd - Thursday, April 4th @ 4pm**.

To access Edsby you may use the following link:

<u>https://yrdsb.edsby.com/p/BasePublic/</u>. Once logged into EDSBY, look in the messages folder for a notification that will provide you access to book your times with teachers.

Difficulty Accessing Edsby?

If you do not have an Edsby account and have not received an invitation via the email address you provided the school, please contact the Main Office.

The Outdoor Education class had a great time tackling the obstacle courses, jumps and the foam pit at Joyride 150 Indoor Bike Park!



Huron Highlights

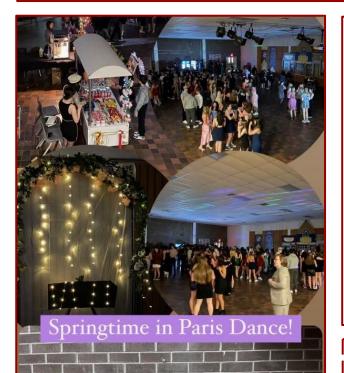
We are excited to initiate a Peer Tutoring program this year! The Peer Tutoring program will ideally offer support for all subjects. Students are encouraged to use the Google Form to register. Information is also posted to the Guidance Department website and posted outside of the Guidance Office. Students will be paired with appropriate tutors and contacted as soon as an appropriate candidate becomes available.

Google Form Application: https://forms.gle/u8pKW9bmojNrq9rq8

Please direct any inquiries to Ms. M. O'Connor (meaghan.oconnor@yrdsb.ca) or Mr. Havercroft (william.havercroft@yrdsb.ca) for more information.

SHSM Jill of All Trades conference at centennial college







Co-Ed Silver Curling YRAA Winners





Congratulations to the coed curling team who won silver this past week at the YRAA finals! The team was led by skip L. Rosevear, along with teammates A. Heise (vice), J. Walker and D. Sher (Second) and lead H. Pundick. Huron is so proud of their teamwork and accomplishment. Good Curling!

Spring sports are starting up at Huron!

We've got Boys Rugby, Track and Field, Boys Lacrosse, Ultimate Frisbee, Mountain Biking, Girls Soccer, and Girls Slo Pitch.



Your child can find out more information by listening to the announcements, checking out the Athletic Bulletin Board or going to the Phys. Ed. Office in the Upper Gym to talk to Ms.Menczel!

Huron Highlights

PEACE, Huron Families! IT's a THRIFT SHOP!

Each year, the PEACE Club holds a spring clothing drive, and we are doing so again this year with a twist! We are asking for any and all clothing donations to be dropped off at Huron between Monday, March 18 and Thursday, March 21.

1. PEACE Club will sort the items and direct first to our students and their families with specific needs.

2. We are holding our first Huron Heights **THRIFT SHOP** during lunches in the caf on Thursday, March 21. All money raised will go back to our clothing and toiletries cupboard, as well as supporting families in need for specific items.

3. Any and all items remaining will be passed along to our community partners at shelters and short term accommodations.

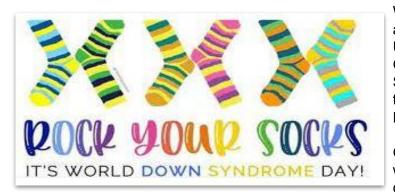
We would be grateful if you could send in or drop off all new or gently used clothing, CD's and DVDs/ Blu-rays for us to sell at the THRIFT SHOP.

It's time for the annual PEACE CLUB ONLINE AUCTION!

Once again hosted by our community partners, we are asking for donations in the form of **new or gently used items** that will be either auctioned off on their own, or bundled with other items and auctioned off. We also greatly appreciate business coupons and deals or side hustles.

The money raised will go to support our students and families in need of food, clothing, toiletries and Chromebooks. We will take donations ASAP and throughout the length of the auction, which runs in the month of April. We will share the link once our auction opens up.

Thanks Huron!



World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD), March 21 is a global awareness day which has been officially observed by the United Nations since 2012. The Legislative Assembly of Ontario has proclaimed March 21st Ontario Down Syndrome Day, since 2016. The significance of the triplication (trisomy) of the 21st chromosome which causes Down syndrome.

On March 21st, we encourage you to Rock Your Socks, wearing mismatched socks. This is a world-wide theme for celebrating differences.

On February 29th Glen Marais performed with his band in recognition of Black History month. Staff and students attended the performance that was held is cafeteria.

Thank you to <u>@gmarais88</u> for an informative and engaging performance today for all of our students!



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 (eg., 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	<u>patricia.barnard@yrdsb.ca</u>	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

Course Verification:

After March Break, families will receive an email to double check course requests for the 2024-25 school year. If changes are required, there will be a google form included in the email. This form will remain open until April 5th, 2024.



Timetable Changes

Guidance Counsellors are available via drop in or appointment (call the office - TeachAssist not available). The <u>timetable change request</u> form will be available Feb 1-9.

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

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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 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:



Specialist High Skills Major



SHSM General Information FOR PARENTS: WHAT IS SHSM?

SHSM information and upcoming activities are posted on the <u>Huron Heights SHSM Classroom</u> (**Class code 4p752zx**). Additional information and resources are located on the <u>YRDSB Student SHSM site</u>.

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 <u>SHSM Application</u> 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



OCAD Grad Show 2023

Not in SHSM?





FREE Upcoming Events for SHSM Students

ALL SHSM FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AND SHOULD BE RETURNED TO GUIDANCE

Mar. 18	Summer Co-op Application DUE	All Sectors
Mar. 26-27	SHSM Mandatory First Aid	Group 1 (Sem. 2)
Apr. 3-4	SHSM Mandatory First Aid	Group 2 (Sem. 2)
April 5	Toronto Zoo - Career Exploration	Health and Wellness
April 24	SHSM Mandatory SPE event	All SHSM students who haven't not completed
May 2	OCAD Grad Show (Reach Ahead)	Arts and Culture



Motorama 2023

We encourage SHSM students to attend in-person certifications to maximize your SHSM experience during your Grade 11 and 12 years.

If your child would like to complete *virtual* certification, please access the links on the <u>SHSM</u> <u>Student Site</u>.

Once your child has completed the certification, s/he/they **TAKE A SCREENSHOT** of the final completion page and and **submit** it on the **Self-Reporting Google Form**.

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