

The Warrior

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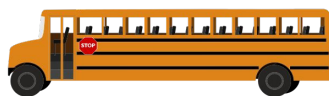
Dates at a Glance

November 9	First Day of Term 2
November 10	Remembrance Day Ceremony
November 12	Diwali
November 13-16	Gr. 12 Graduation Photos Visit: www.Bookmygrad.ca School Code: YHH
November 17	PA Day

Looking Ahead

November 20	School Council Meeting @7pm - Library
November 21-24	OSSLT
November 23	Gr. 8 Open House/Parent Info. Night - 6:30-8:00pm
November 27-28	OSSLT
November 28	Arts Huron Showcase - Upper Gym - 6:30-8:30pm
November 30	Full Disclosure Date

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/huronheights.ss/Pages/default.aspx>



School Bus Transportation

Please visit www.schoolbuscity.com daily to confirm bus arriving and departing on time.

School Council Meeting for 2023-2024

November 20, 2023

January 22, 2024

March 18, 2024

May 21, 2024

Grade 8 Open House

November 23, 2023

6:30-8:30pm

ARTS HURON

Arts Huron Information Night

Tuesday, November 28, 2023

6:30pm - 8:30pm



Ms Tadros and Ms Papageorge want to give a huge shout out to this year's Tennis team! We had many new players come out this year, and had lots of fun practicing together and getting to know everyone. Thank you everyone for your commitment and sportsmanship, and for representing Huron so positively at your tournament. We are looking forward to doing it again next season!

OSSLT - Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test

Grade 10 students and eligible grade 11 and 12 students will write the OSSLT during the week of November 21-24 and November 27-28.

Students graduating this year must pass the test or complete the Ontario Literacy Course to fulfill the provincially mandated graduation requirements.

Students will be informed of the exact date and where they will be writing early next week.

In order to prepare for the test please have your student access the slide deck through their gapps account. It is linked [here](#)

For more information about the OSSLT, please visit

<https://www.eqao.com/the-assessments/ossl/>

Please see the following links for helpful OSSLT information:

[EQAO OSSLT](#)

[Reading and Writing Anchor Charts](#)

[Thinking, Reading/Writing, Vocabulary](#)

Principal: Erik Gordon

Vice Principals: Alexandra Wright (A-L), Corey McArthur (M-Z)

Huron Highlights

Overview of PA Day – Friday Nov 17

Morning

Topic: Student Well-Being

Description:

School Teams will engage in learning and dialogue on:

- “Miss, Dismiss, Avoid: Psychological Barriers to Disrupting Racism, Racial Trauma and How to Counteract It”.

School teams will engage in School Improvement planning facilitated by school leaders. Topics will vary by subject and may include

- Implementation of the grade 10 computer science curriculum
- high yield instructional strategies in the de-streamed math, science or English classroom
- Data analysis for school improvement

Afternoon

Topic: Curriculum Implementation

Description: Equitable Assessment practices & MLL learning SIP/Department Meetings

Details: School Teams will continue to engage in School Improvement Planning that supports the implementation of equitable assessment practices, curriculum changes and instructional strategies to support students in the de-streamed classroom.

Topics will vary by subject and may include:

- embedding strategies to support teaching multilingual language learners into the curriculum.
- embedding subject specific high yield strategies into instruction and assessment
- data analysis for school improvement

Your Portrait Session

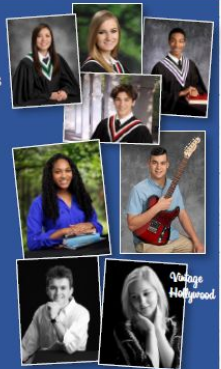
Carry on the Canadian tradition of marking your graduation accomplishments with a classic portrait! Your professional portrait session includes traditional gown and sash poses on contemporary and traditional backgrounds.

*Sit fee details available online when you book your session.



More Options

Your comfort and enjoyment are our top priority when you are at the camera. We want all students to let your true colours shine. Your sitting options may include: more poses, casuals, and Vintage Hollywood poses. [View details on all your sitting options at bookmygrad.ca](http://bookmygrad.ca)



B.Y.O.P

Depending on the school, Edge may or may not provide props during your photo shoot. Please feel free to bring your own flowers, books, etc. to be photographed with during your session. There's no limit to your creativity!

*Poses and backgrounds may vary.

Graduating Class Composite

Just like the ones you stared at in your high school hallways, you'll receive your very own copy of a graduating class composite. Composites are typically handed out at Convocation or at the end of the school year.

A traditional portrait with a blue background will be provided to your school for the composite and yearbook.

*Composite size and folder inclusion vary by school. Details provided upon booking.



Book your session TODAY!

To book your Graduation Photo Session, grab your student card and go to bookmygrad.ca and enter your school code and student number to get started.

SCHOOL CODE: YHH- Beginning Monday, November 13th.

Photos will be taking place in room 338,
across from the library

HHSS Food Pantry

HHSS Food Pantry is now open!

To book a time please email: alexandra.wright@yrdsb.ca



York Region District School Board
Secondary Specialized Arts Program

ARTS HURON

Huron Heights Secondary School

Instrumental Music - Vocal Music - Guitar
Dance - Theatre - Visual Arts

Applications: November 10 to December 1st
Auditions: January 25 - 31, 2024

For more information about applying to ARTS HURON, please email us at artshuron@yrdsb.ca



Check our website for up-to-date information:
<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/huronheights/ss/>



YOUTH GAMBLING AWARENESS SERIES

This workshop series is designed to offer educational prevention sessions to adults involved in young people's lives on gambling awareness including potential risks, making informed decisions and healthy and active living.

We welcome all parents, guardians, caregivers and community members to attend these free virtual sessions!

November 7, 2023: 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Game Biting: When Gaming Meets Gambling

This session explores unconventional forms of gambling available to minors, the signs of problem gaming and gambling and explores the potential risks of these activities. Parents will learn strategies on how to help your child make safe and healthy decisions and information on community support services will be provided.

November 14, 2023: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Gambling, Money and Decision Making: Financial Literacy and Gambling

This session discusses items of value used by youth to bet with, and analyzes factors leading them to participate in games of chance to make money. Financial risks of gambling will be explored while providing safety tips and information on community support services.

November 21, 2023: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Media Impact

This session will explore the increased youth exposure to gambling-related content on social media platforms while providing media safety tips for parents and information on community support services.

November 28, 2023: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Stigma and Gambling

This session will define stigma associated with gambling while providing factual knowledge and awareness to support a compassionate approach to reducing stigma and facilitating an open dialogue. Information on community support services will also be shared.

[REGISTER](https://www.yrdsb.ca/yrdsb-ca) Now For These Free Sessions Today!



These free information sessions are organized by York Region District School Board in collaboration with YMCA of Greater Toronto Youth Gambling Awareness Program (YGAP).

For more information please feel free to contact: Oksana Majaski, Community & Partnership Developer at oksana.majaski@yrdsb.ca or 416-568-2252.

HHSS Sports Highlights

- Junior Girls Basketball Team made it to the Playoffs starting next week! Congratulations Ladies!



Upcoming Tryouts:

- Senior Girls Volleyball tryout next Thursday, Nov. 9th at 8am in the Upper Gym
- Ski/Snowboard Team (see Ms. O'Connor in Room 408)



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 (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	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
International Students & Alternative Education	Ms. Bradshaw Head of Guidance	kelly.bradshaw@yrdsb.ca	X 191

Graduation Presentations:

[What do you need to graduate?](#)

[Graduation Assembly Presentation](#)

[Applying to Post Secondary](#)

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POST SECONDARY FAIRS

STUDENT LIFE EXPO

**Metro Convention
Centre: Nov 18**

<https://studentlifeexpo.com>

ONTARIO UNIVERSITIES

One last virtual event:
Wednesday, November 22
5-7 pm (ET)

[https://www.ontariouniversitiesevents.c](https://www.ontariouniversitiesevents.ca)
[a](#)

If you have not been to a fair check out:
YRDSB POST SECONDARY FAIRS SCHEDULE

APPRENTICESHIP

November 15 - 16, 2023

International Centre – Hall 1

Mississauga, Ontario

[Level Up- Apprenticeship Fair](#)



Families and students will have an opportunity to learn about Ontario's 140+ trades through interactive exhibitions and hands-on activities, while hearing directly from tradespeople and local employers about life-changing career opportunities. School registered to bring their students during the day, the evening event is open to families from 7-8:30pm. [Level up Flyer](#) www.levelupontario.com

Community Involvement Hours

Community Involvement Hours

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 be 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 complete 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.

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 or during course selections in February!

Is 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.



Arts & Culture SHSM Reach Ahead and Certification - [Metalworks Institute](#)

Not in SHSM?

[APPLY NOW!](#)



FREE Upcoming Events for SHSM Students

ALL SHSM FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AND SHOULD BE RETURNED TO GUIDANCE

Nov 7	Theatre Swordplay Workshop	SHSM Theatre students
Nov 14	Sunnybrook Hospital PARTY Program and Stop the Bleed Career Exploration	Health and Wellness
Nov 15	Level UP! Ontario Trades Fair Career Exploration	All Sectors
Nov 23	Gr 8 Open House SHSM reps needed (earn Community Service Hours)	All Sectors See Ms Phylactou
Nov 21 and Nov 22	First Aid CPR-C with AED CERTIFICATE Mandatory certificates	All Sem 1 Co-op/ EOP SHSM students and Gr 12 SHSM students who need it
Nov 28 and 29	First Aid CPR-C with AED mandatory certificates	
Dec 7	Wrapping and Taping for Performance /Injury CERTIFICATION	Health and Wellness Arts and Culture
Dec 20	Trip to Queen Street and 401 Richmond Career Exploration for students who will continue in Visual Arts	Visual Arts Arts and Culture



Arts & Culture /Health and Wellness/ Hospitality and Tourism Career Exploration [BeautyX](#) trade show