

SCHOOL COUNCIL

7:00 PM

February 28, 2022







Agenda

Topic/Focus	Facilitator	Timing
Land Acknowledgement Standing Items: Student Council Report Teacher Report Principal Report	Lael Croft Kelley Demers Candice Mott	20 minutes
Programs Available at Keswick High School - Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) - Dual Credits	Casey Daleman	15 minutes
Scholarships	Nicole Wallace	10 minutes
Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant Update and Shortlist	Pam and Erin	10 minutes
Any Other Business and Future Dates	Pam and Erin	10 minutes



Beginning in a Good Way

We affirm that we are all treaty people and acknowledge that the York Region District School Board is located on the lands of two treaties. These treaties have been signed with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the First Nations of the Williams Treaties who are: the Mississaugas of Alderville, Curve Lake, Hiawatha, Scugog Island; and the Chippewas of Beausoleil, Rama, and Georgina Island who is our closest neighbour and partner in education.

To honour this agreement we will take up our responsibility to be respectful of their traditions, knowledge and inherent rights as sovereign nations. We will respect their relationship with these lands and recognize that our connection to this land is through the continued relationship with these First Nations, and we acknowledge our shared responsibility to respect and care for the land and waters for future generations.



2021-2022 School Council

Executive:

- Chair/Co-Chair: Pamela Tuininga and Erin Terveld
- Vice-Chair: Stephanie Grant
- **Treasurer**: Corrine D'Angelo
- Secretary: Shelly Grieve
- Members: Lesley Smith, Robert Baynit





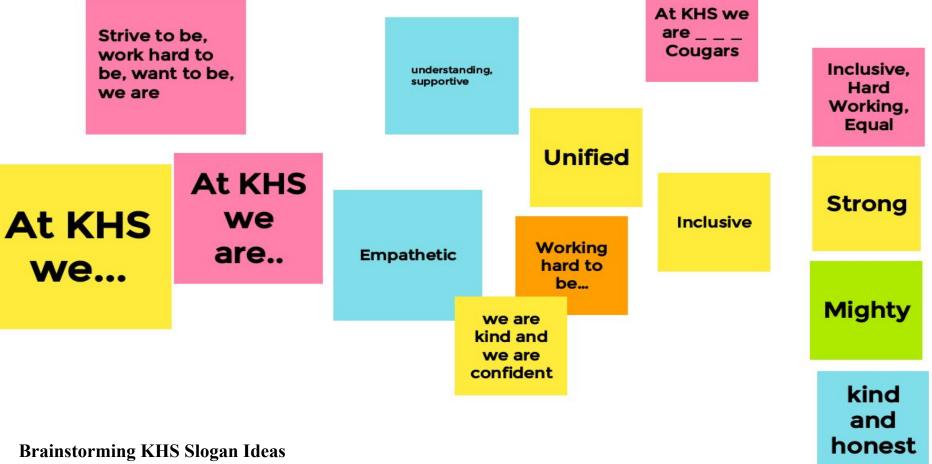
KHS Student Council



School Council Meeting - Monday, February 28, 2022



Current Initiatives



- A google form to the whole school would be best to poll the community (would provide some options of words/phrases)





York Regional Presidents Council - General Assemblies

Who is the YRPC?: The York Region Presidents Council (YRPC) serves as the official student senate of the YRDSB. YRPC fosters inclusivity, enhances communication between students and administrative bodies, and represents student voice. You can think of them as the "Super student council of YRDSB."

What are GA's?: Monthly meetings that encourage students to come and share their thoughts, opinions, and ideas. The YRPC helps to make decisions that directly affect how students experience school. At GA's students are asked what should the YRDSB be working on? And get their thoughts on current YRDSB policies, initiatives, etc.

Our student council: 3 members of our student council attend these monthly meetings as grade representatives for Keswick High. The most recent GA was on the topic of mental health and what the YRDSB is doing to support the wellbeing of its students. Our reps had the opportunity to share their thoughts and take notes on what was being discussed.



Upcoming Initiatives...



Mental Health Week

- Activities
- Resources
- Support the wellbeing of KHS students
- Black mental health week (Tuesday, March 1, 2022 to Monday, March 7, 2022)

This idea will be further discussed at our next student council meeting on Wednesday, March 9, 2022.



Teacher Report - Kelley Demers

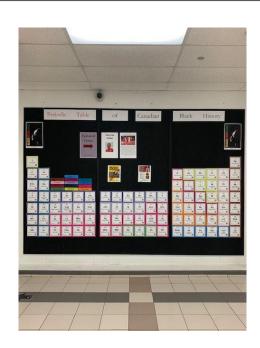
Black History Month

Highlighting Black Canadian Excellence

 Shared with all staff digitally and each day an individual is recognized on the announcements.

<u>Digital Resource - Black Canadian Excellence</u>

Check out our guest speaker Dwayne Morgan





Music Department Update

The Music Department has purchased 4 new bass drums, a quad tom, and two sets of crash cymbals to compliment their current inventory of drumline equipment.

These instruments will be incorporated into our classes, as well as the eventual introduction of a KHS Drumline. The long term plan is to have this group perform at sports home games and in the local Santa Claus Parades.





Spirit Wear @ KHS is back!

Spirit Wear is back from February 16 - March 9. It is currently available on <u>School</u>

Cash On-line

Announcements and posters have been visible around KHS!

*New this time: Jogging pants!

Spirit Wear Poster & QR Code







Sports @ KHS

Jr. Boys Basketball & Varsity Boys Hockey teams are competing and representing KHS @ YRAA events.





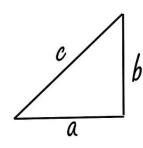


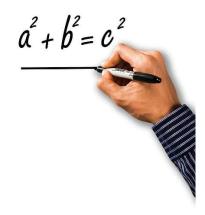


Math Support

Anyone needing online Math support / tutoring can check out Mathify Website

Free 1:1 Grade 6-11 Math Support

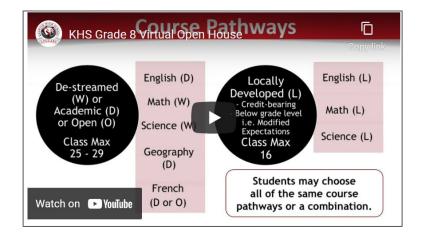






- Cafeteria is open with Covid Protocols and limited menu
- Cafeteria cards valued at \$25 each are available through School Cash Online
- 92 new Chromebooks have arrived and have been distributed for student use
- Students have just finished course selections for next year
- Resources for incoming Grade 8 students on School website:





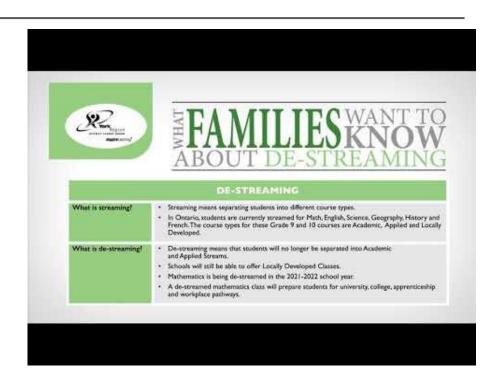


As shared in December

Board Destreaming Update -

Schools in Ontario will no longer stream students into Academic and Applied courses in Grade 9. Most students entering Grade 9 will take Academic English, French and Geography and will take de-streamed Math and Science.

New: School - also no longer streaming Grade 9 Health and Phys. Ed by gender







Construction Projects this summer at KHS

New Blinds - on second floor

Library - carpet removed and new flooring installed (July)

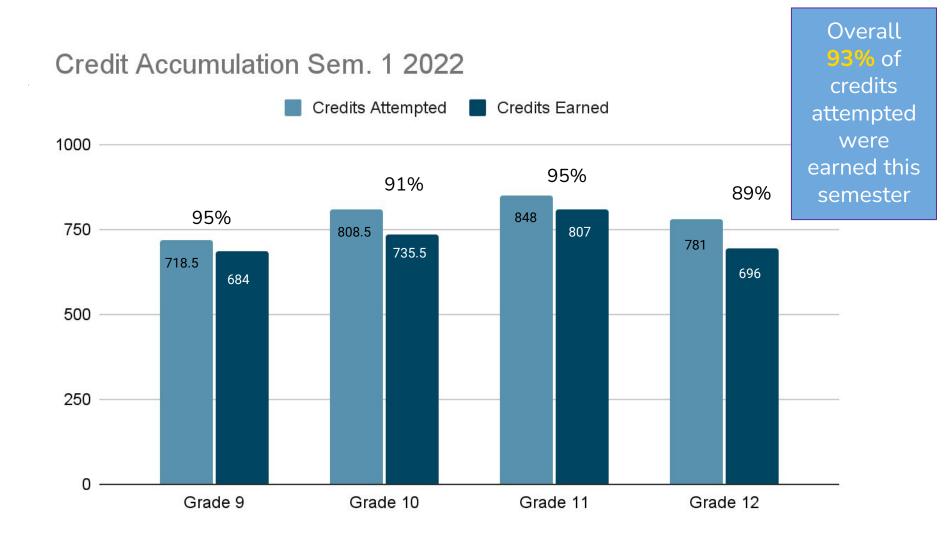
Special Education Department:

- Classroom to support Autism Program calming space, washroom
- Classroom to support Students with Complex Needs calming spaces, washroom and kitchen

-Student Support Center (Now Open) - where students who have an IEP can get one-one or small group support from their SERTS; engage in academic testing; complete SEA training; have private conversations about their IEP; alternative setting for tests, etc. (where attendance office used to be)



- Student enrollment for Semester two 879 students
- 794 Students engaged in Face-to-Face learning and 85 Students accessing their learning remotely.
- Achievement Data about Semester One



Mark Distribution for Grades 9 & 10

Grade	Mark Range	Number of students	Percentage
9	50-59	107	16%
9	60-69	94	14%
9	70-79	169	24%
9	80-89	164	24%
9	90-100	156	22%

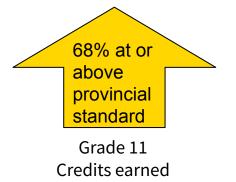
Grade	Mark Range	Number of students	Percentage	
10	50-59	121	16%	
10	60-69	131	17%	
10	70-79	150	20%	
10	80-89	180	24%	
10	90-100	176	23%	





Mark Distribution for Grades 11 & 12

Grade	Mark Range	Number of students	Percentage
11	50-59	149	19%
11	60-69	104	13%
11	70-79	165	21%
11	80-89	200	27%
11	90-100	161	20%
Grade	Mark Range	Number of students	
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12	50-59	101	Percentage 15%
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Keswick High SchoolSHSM Promotion

2021-2022



SHSM Overview

SHSM = Specialist High Skill Major

Designated by Red Seal Diploma -



Grade 11-12 Program

Sectors at KHS

- Business
- Transportation

*Pathway Flyers are available on my BluePrint









The Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) is a specialized program approved by the Ministry of Education that allows students to focus their learning on a specific economic sector while meeting the requirements of the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD).

These programs enable students to gain sector specific skills and knowledge in engaging, career related learning environments, and prepare in a focused way for graduation and postsecondary education, training or employment.

Why SHSM?



- 1. **CUSTOMIZE** your secondary school education to suit your interests and talents;
- 2. **DEVELOP** specialized knowledge and skills that are valued by the sector and postsecondary education institutions;
- 3. **EARN** credits that are recognized by the sector and postsecondary education institutions*;
- 4. **EXPAND** essential Skills and work habits that are valued by the sector
- 5. **Identify, explore, and refine** your career goals and make informed decisions about your postsecondary destination;

*SHSM Recognition on your diploma (Red Seal and list of certificates etc.) may help you receive:

- \$500 SHSM Entrance Award at University of Guelph-Humber
- \$500 Lakehead University SHSM Award
- \$2,000 St. Mary's University in Nova Scotia
- \$1,000 OAC SHSM Program Scholarships at Guelph
- AND MORE!

4 Major Courses, 2 Co-op Credits, Related Courses with Contextualised Content

First Aid, CPR, WHMIS, and more....

Job Shadowing, Conferences/Trade Shows, Hands on experiences, YRDSB Skills Competitions

> Dual Credits, University Tours, College Visits, Career Panels...

Thinking, Problem Solving, Computer Use, Numeracy...

The Five Required Components

- a bundle of eight to ten Grade 11 and Grade 12 credits;
- sector recognised certifications and training courses;
- experiential learning activities within the sector;
- reach ahead experiences in the student's post-secondary pathway of choice;
- Sector Partnered Experience (SPE) to develop Essential Skill of problem solving (ICE, Math or Coding focus)



How will SHSM work this year?

In 2021-22 SHSM activities could happen:

- Within classes, led by classroom teacher
- Outside of class time, on a voluntary basis (ex. A student attending a virtual tour of a chosen post-secondary institution...)
- Planned by the Regional SHSM team, scheduled within the school day.
- Planned by in school SHSM Lead scheduled within the school day (As long as virtual field trips are approved)

All activities completed by students will be logged by staff supervising the activity or by student self-report forms available on the SHSM Google Classroom.

SHSM SECTORS AT KHS



CREDITS

Course Package

Each SHSM program offers students a bundle of 8 - 10 credits. These courses are regular Ontario secondary school courses that allow students to work towards their Ontario Secondary School Diploma, but have been bundled as the most relevant courses to prepare students for a future in the Business sector.

Two credits in this bundle include Cooperative Education where students pursue a work placement in a field of interest.



BUSINESS Keswick HS



Destination	Apprent Path		College Pathway University Pathway		/ Pathway	Workplace Pathway		
Grade	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grade 11	Grade 12
Major Courses Choose 4 - at least 1 at each grade level (1 additional Coop credit can count for 1 Major)	BAI3E BMI3C BDI3C BTA3O HSE3E TGJ3M	EBT4O TGJ4M BTX4E BAN4E HIP4O Dual Credit	BMI3C BDI3C BTA3O CLU3M TGJ3M BAF3M	BOH4M BBB4M BAT4M EBT4O TGJ4M Dual Credit	BAF3M CLU3M TGJ3M	CIA4U CLN4U BAT4M BOH4M BBB4M IDC4U3 TGJ4M	BAI3E BTA3O HSE3E	BAN4E EBT4O BTX4E HIP4O
Required English		ENG4C or ENG4E		ENG4C		ENG4U	ENG3E	ENG4E
Required Math	MBF3C or MEL3E	MAP4C or MEL4E	MBF3C or MCF3M	MAP4C	MCR3U or MCF3M	MDM4U or MHF4U	MEL3E	
2 Credits in Coop	COP3X or COP4X		COP3X or COP4X		COP3X or COP4X		COP3X or COP4X	



The bundle includes:

- 4 "major" credits in Business in grade
 11 and 12, such as Marketing, Economics,
 Entrepreneurship, Canadian and
 International Law, Financial Accounting,
 Business Leadership, International Business
 and Small Business Management
- Supporting credits:
 - > 1 Grade 12 English credit (and a Grade 11 English credit for students in the workplace pathway)
 - > 1 Grade 11 and 1 Grade 12 math credit (Grade 11 only for students in the workplace pathway)
 - > 2 Cooperative Education credits to experience life in the Business sector





CREDITS

Course Package

Each SHSM program offers students a bundle of 8 - 10 credits. These courses are regular Ontario secondary school courses that allow students to work towards their Ontario Secondary School Diploma, but have been bundled as the most relevant courses to prepare students for a future in the Transportation sector.

Two credits in this bundle include Cooperative Education where students pursue a work placement in a field of interest.



TRANSPORTATION Keswick HS



Credits	Apprenticeship Pathway		College Pathway		University Pathway		Workplace Pathway	
Grade	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grade 11	Grade 12	Grade 11	
Major Courses Choose 4 - at least 1 per grade 1 Additional Coop credit can count for 1 Major	TTJ3C1 TTJ3C2 TMJ3E TTJ3O	TTJ4C1 TTJ4C2 TMJ4E SPH4C1 Dual Credit	TTJ3C1 TTJ3C2 TDJ3M TEJ3M	TTJ4C1 TTJ4C2 TDJ4M SPH4C1 Dual Credit	TDJ3M1 SPH3U1 TEJ3M1	TDJ4M1 SPH4U1	TTJ3O1 TMJ3E	
Required English	ENG3C or ENG3E		ENG3C		ENG3U			
Required Math		MAP4C or MCT4C		MAP4C or MCT4C		MDM4U or MHF4U	MEL3E	
Optional Course (Choose 1 only)	BDI3C BMI3C BTA3O SVN3E SNC4E or another Coop credit		BDI3C BMI3C SPH4C SCH4C or another Coop credit		SCH3U/4U SPH3U/4U BAF3M BOH4M BBB4M or another Coop credit		BAI3E SVN3E SNC4E or another Coop credit	
2 Credits in Coop	COP3X or COP4X		COP3X or COP4X		COP3X or COP4X		COP3X or COP4X	



The bundle includes:

- 4 "major" credits in Transportation and related courses in grade 11 and 12
- Supporting credits:
 - > 1 Grade 11 English credit (or 1 Grade 12 English credit for students pursuing the workplace pathway)
- > 1 Grade 12 Math credit or 1 Grade 11 Math credit for students pursuing the workplace pathway
- > 1 Grade 11 or Grade 12 Science or Business studies credit
- > 2 Cooperative Education credits to experience life in the Transportation sector



Transportation Careers

Apprenticeship Certification

- Auto Body repair
- Automotive Service Technician
- Marine Engine Mechanic
- Motorcycle technician

College Diploma

- Air Pilot
- Industrial Engineer
- Mechanical Engineer Technologist
- Navigation Officer-Water Transport

University Degree

- Aerospace Engineer
- Automotive Engineer
- Industrial Designer
- Urban Planner

Workplace Training

- Heavy Equipment Operators
- Aircraft Assembler
- Automotive Mechanical Installers
- Boat Operator



Transportation is essential to our everyday life. Different modes of transportation including air, rail, road, water, cable, pipeline and space provide many career options for those interested in the field. In particular, skilled automotive service technicians are in great demand and require a breadth of knowledge from seat-belt systems to the latest diagnostic equipment.

How to apply?

For more information make an appointment to speak to your Guidance counsellor. You cannot officially be in SHSM until you are in grade 11 or 12.

And

Fill in your online application using your YRDSB gapps account:

bit.ly/YRDSBSHSMapp



Want to Know More?

Contact your Co-op or Guidance department.



For more information on the Specialist High Skills Transportation program, contact your school guidance counsellor, SHSM board lead or visit **Ontario.ca/SHSM**

Visit the Board website: www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca/shsm



Dual Credits



Dual Credits allow students in secondary school to take college or apprenticeship courses that count towards both the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) and a postsecondary certificate, diploma, or degree, or an apprenticeship certification.

- Experience college while still in high school at no cost to you
- Earn high school credits and college credits at the same time in the same course
- Learn in college state-of-the-art facilities
- Explore different pathway options
- Try something new



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Scholarships

Scholarships are usually awarded based on academic merit or other achievements, rather than financial need.

Bursaries and grants are based primarily on an individual's financial needs, but may involve other selection criteria such as extracurricular activities, community involvement and leadership.

Government Assistance: Ontario residents may apply for government loans, grants and bursaries through the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP). Canadian citizens and permanent residents may also qualify for loans and grants from the federal government. https://www.ontario.ca/page/ministry-colleges-universities

Private Loans: Many private banking institutions offer postsecondary education loans.



Scholarships

In addition to awards offered within colleges and universities, there are many available through non-profit organizations, corporations and service clubs. The following links will help you research scholarships, bursaries and grants that you may qualify for:

- Yconic.com
- https://scholartree.ca/
- ScholarshipsCanada.com
- DisabilityAwards.ca
- Local Scholarships Posted through Guidance Google Classroom
- Local KHS Bursaries students apply in May/June and they are awarded at Graduation



Scholarships

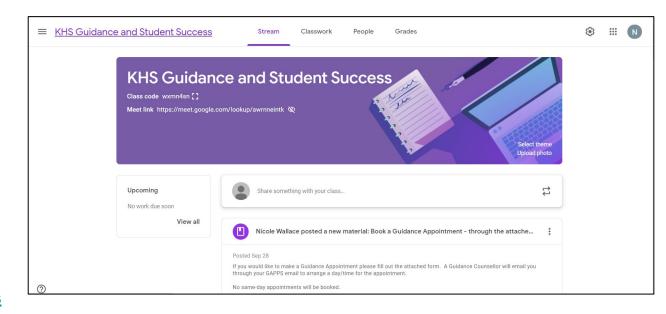
KHS Guidance and Student Success Google Classroom

- Pathway information and opportunities
- Scholarships
- Potential graduate information
- and MUCH more

Class code: wxmn4sn

Link:

https://classroom.google.com/c/O TExMzI0ODAyNDFa?cjc=wxmn4s





Good news! Our proposal was accepted and the School Council was granted \$800 to bring in a speaker focusing on Mental Health.



Congratulations!

Your 2021 - 2022 PRO Grant Application has been approved up to a maximum amount of \$800.

This is a friendly reminder that, at this time, all parent engagement projects should be virtual. You may find the centrally vetted Mental Health and Well-being Speakers list helpful when planning your event (if applicable). Please note that we do not have a vetted list of Equity and Diversity speakers at this time, and would direct you to use the Text Selection Tool to critically assess and guide the speakers or presenters with whom you are working. Please also consider connecting with community partners and organizations that might support your project.



Your vote counts. Please take some time to review one of these speakers from our short list:

Youth Speaks

Bisleen Attli- All About M.E. (Mental Empowerment)

Sara Westbrook - <u>UPower Presentations</u>

Liz Pearson - Eating to Optimize Brain Health, Gut Health, & Mental Health



Your vote counts. Please take some time to review one of these speakers from our short list:

Youth Speaks contributes to the mental and social well-being of students who may be facing challenges by creating awareness that bullying, mental health and addiction impacts everyone in the community. They empower youth who face challenges through leadership training, in order to increase their social and emotional strengths and positively impact their world by sharing their personal stories in assemblies and workshops.

All About M.E. (Mental Empowerment)

Bisleen Attli is a naturopathic medical school graduate who founded her own mental health campaign called all about M.E. (MENTAL EMPOWERMENT). Bisleen's passion for mental health stems from her own struggles as a teenager with chronic depression. After conquering her own illness and realizing the potential that exists within herself, she made it her mission to inspire and educate as many young people as possible so that they could realize this same potential within themselves. Bisleen combines her personal experiences with her medical knowledge to provide practical tools and techniques for students to begin working on her mental health. In this workshop, students learn the basics of mental health, her 4-step process on how to be resilient, as well as resources in the community they can access for support. Students are also provided an ebook they can take home to refer to after the workshop. Bisleen's vision is for us to be living in a world where all our young people feel confident, resilient, and most importantly, understand their unlimited potential for success.



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Sara Westbrook

Sara is a positive motivational speaker who shares her personal story of disappointment and negative experiences with a focus on changing her life to one of positive empowerment. Sara says "We can't always control the circumstances in our lives but we always have the ability to choose the choices we make – this is where our power lies. This is what I call our UPower. From that piece of wisdom, my UPower concerts and my UPower workshops were created."

Liz Pearson - Eating to Optimize Brain Health, Gut Health, & Mental Health

Although all mental health disorders are complex in their causation, a compelling body of research says what we eat plays a significant role. Certain nutrients and dietary patterns promote a healthy brain, as well as a healthy gut microbiome – both critical to mental well-being and happiness. In contrast, a lack of specific nutrients and an excess of unhealthy, ultra-processed foods can greatly harm mental health. In this engaging, research-based presentation, Liz Pearson (registered dietitian and bestselling author) speaks about eating to optimize mental health, including a significantly lower risk of anxiety and depression.



School Council Goals for this year

- Collaborate and interact more with Student groups
 - School Council, Athletic Council, etc
- Wider Parental Involvement; Grow membership by encouraging participation from other parents
- Increase Communication
 - Spread the word using Social Media



FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

Date	Topics
Monday, April 25th - 7:00 p.m.	TBA
Monday May 16th - 7:00 p.m.	TBA