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# SCHOOL COUNCIL

7:00 PM

March 27, 2023

# Land Acknowledgement



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.



# Agenda

Topic	Facilitator	Estimated Time
Standing Items - Introductions Student Council's Report Staff Report Principal's Report	Elena and Lael Chris Cluff Candice Mott	30-45 minutes
Treasurer's report	Robyn Caldwell	
Guidance Update	Spencer Ward	20-30 minutes
School Council Forum Recap	Candice Mott	5 minutes
Any Other Business	Shared	10 minutes



# Introductions

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Kelley Demers  
Vice Principal  
Students A-K



**Candice Mott**  
Principal



Casey Daleman  
Vice Principal  
Students L-Z



Chris Cluff  
Teacher Representative

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Spencer Ward  
Head of Guidance

# Keswick High School Student Council



School Council Meeting - March 27, 2023



Every Wednesday



3:15 pm - 4:00 pm



Library

We encourage you to tell your children and fellow students about Student Council and to attend or join a meeting if interested!!

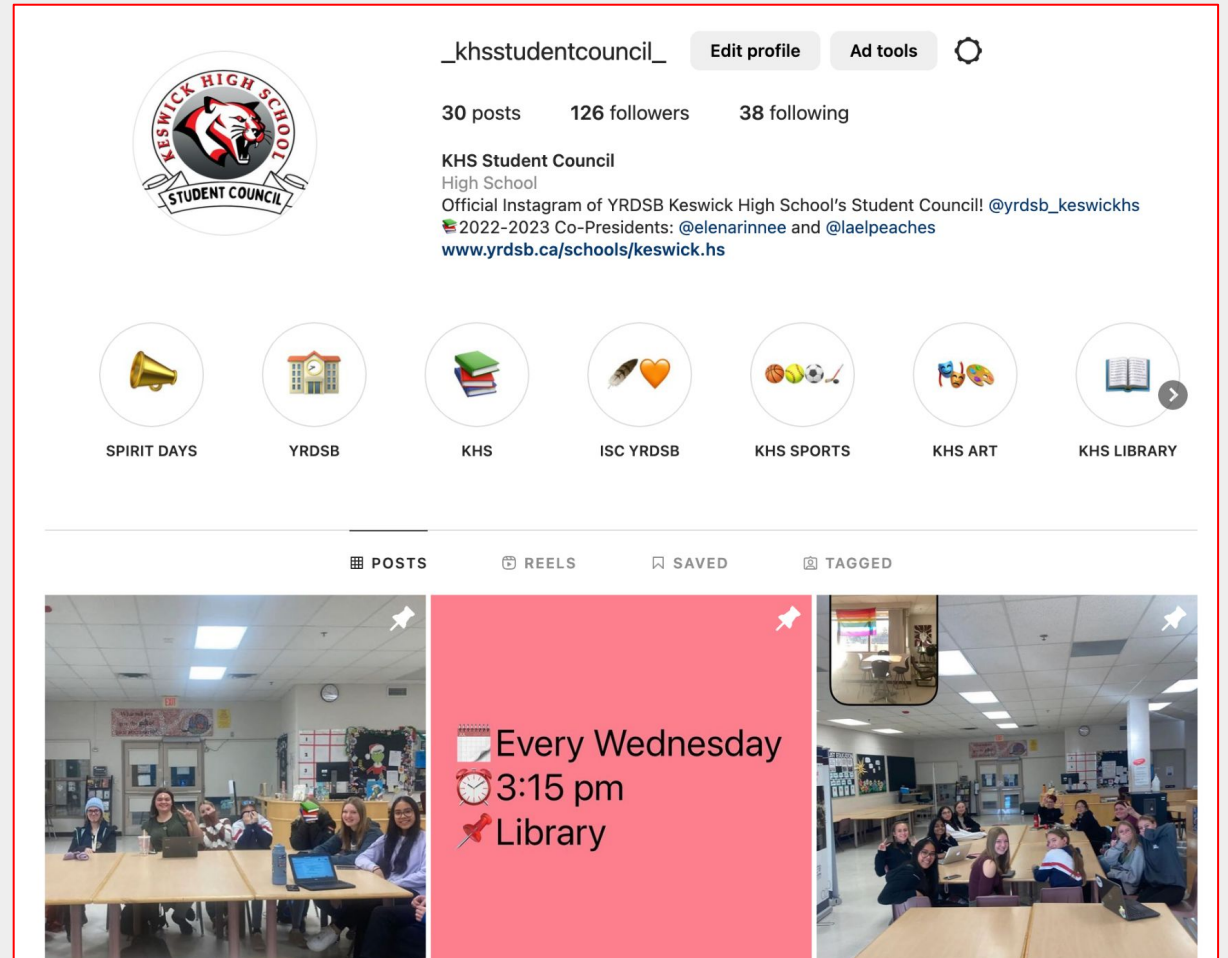
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# Positions and Roles in Student Council

<u><i>Executive Team</i></u>	<u><i>General Assembly</i></u>
<p><b>Co-Presidents:</b> Elena Rinne &amp; Lael Croft <b>Secretaries:</b> Ashviga Suthakaran, Rebecca Krystal <b>Club Liaison Representative:</b> Chris Yu <b>Advertising Representative:</b> Ashviga Suthakaran <b>Equity and Wellness Representative:</b> Abby Lemmon <b>Grade 9 Representatives:</b> Abby Hearn, Brooklyn Simm, <b>Grade 10 Representative:</b> _____ <b>Grade 11 Representatives:</b> Arozu Halimi, Runi Friday <b>Grade 12 Representative:</b> Rebecca Krystal</p>	<p>Amanda Ansell Danica Seng Jaice Pilkey Keira Buckle Nancilynn Doner Natallie Geniole Oliver White Zoe Marzan Victoria Sardone Kavinash Pannerkaran</p>

# Student Council Instagram

KHS Student Council now has an official Instagram account! Please go follow us [@\\_khsstudentcouncil\\_](https://www.instagram.com/_khsstudentcouncil_)





# Previous Events...

## Anything but a Backpack Wednesday

Bring anything to school but a backpack.

Nothing living nor larger than yourself

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21ST, 2022



Dress up with your friends  
twins, triplets, quadruplets, quintuplets, etc

## Twin Tuesday

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20TH, 2022

2 Wear your favourite sports jersey or KHS wear

## SPORTS MONDAY

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19TH, 2022

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22ND, 2022

## Holiday Thursday

Wear Holiday Colours for a Holiday of your choice.

Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Traditional Outfits, etc

KHS STUDENT COUNCIL PRESENTS

## A Night Under the Stars

7:00 pm to 10:00 pm (doors open at 6:45 pm)  
Thursday, November 24, 2022  
KHS cafeteria

Dress code: Semi-dressy

Tickets are \$20.00 per person

Available for purchase on School Cash Online until Wednesday, November 16, 2022. Sales are limited.  
NO ticket sales at the door and NO outside dates are allowed

NO outside food or drinks as food and beverages will be provided. Bag checks/searches will be conducted upon entry to the dance.  
There will be NO in and out entry.

KHS STUDENT COUNCIL presents

## PJ DAY

wednesday January 25th 2023

Wear your favourite pyjamas to school

KHS STUDENT COUNCIL

## Valentine's DAY

Feb 14th, 2023

WEAR RED, PINK, WHITE

# Coming Up!...

## Mental Health Week!!!



**MENTAL HEALTH WEEK**  
MONDAY APRIL 3RD, 2023

**DRESS UP AS YOUR ROLE MODEL**

KHS Student Council logo

Tuesday April 2nd, 2023

**WEAR YOUR FAVOURITE FIT**

Mental Health Week

KHS Student Council logo

WEDNESDAY APRIL 5TH, 2023

**WEAR YOUR FAVOURITE COLOUR**

red orange yellow  
black white  
green blue purple

MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

KHS Student Council logo

Mental Health Week

**PJ DAY**

Thursday April 6th, 2023

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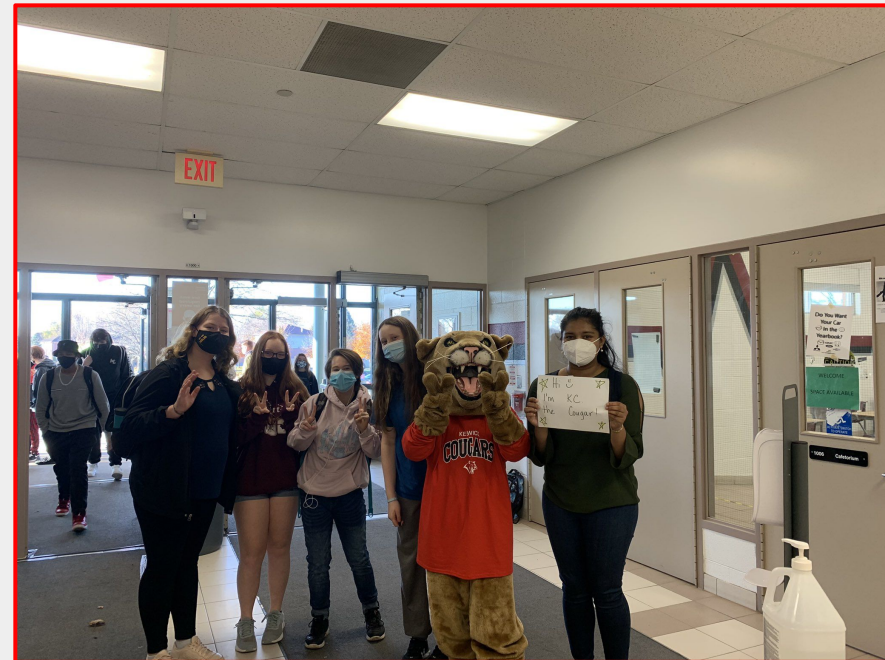
# What Do We Hope to Accomplish Next?

- Student Council spirit wear
- Food drive
- More spirit days (of course)
- Bringing back Perfect Picnic Palooza! (2nd annual)
- Hoping to collab with another club(s)



Every Friday is KHS Spirit Day!. Please encourage students to show off their school pride by wearing red, black or their KHS merchandise #khsproud. Link to buy merch can be found here:

[www.prepsportswear.com/keswick-high-school-cougars](http://www.prepsportswear.com/keswick-high-school-cougars) or on School Cash Online when offered.



# Keswick High School

## Staff Report



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# Staff Report

KESWICK HIGH SCHOOL

*Formal Wear  
Share Event* ✨

APRIL 5, 2023  
6 – 8:30PM

Grade 12/Grade 8 students are welcome to join us in the cafeteria to browse the large selection of gently used formal wear.

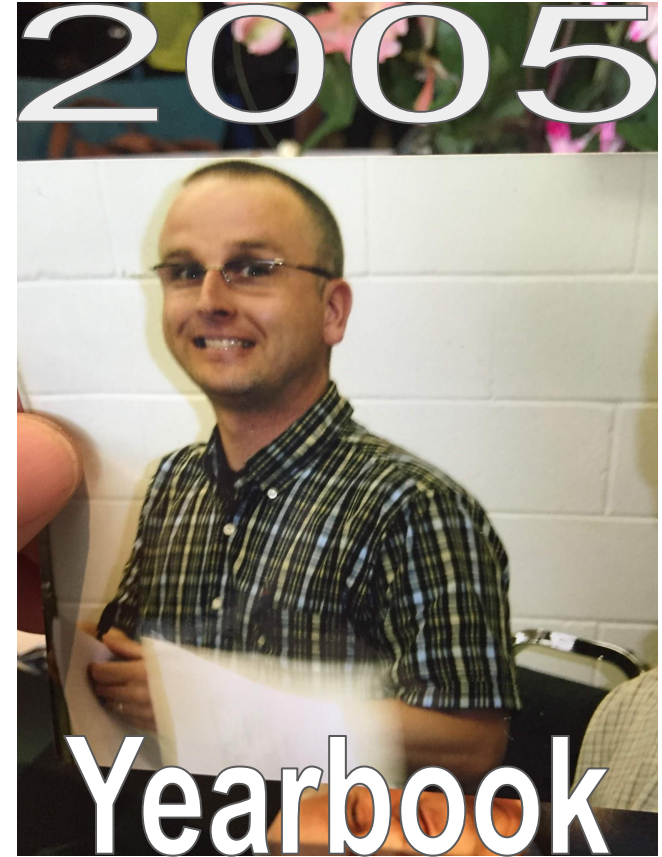
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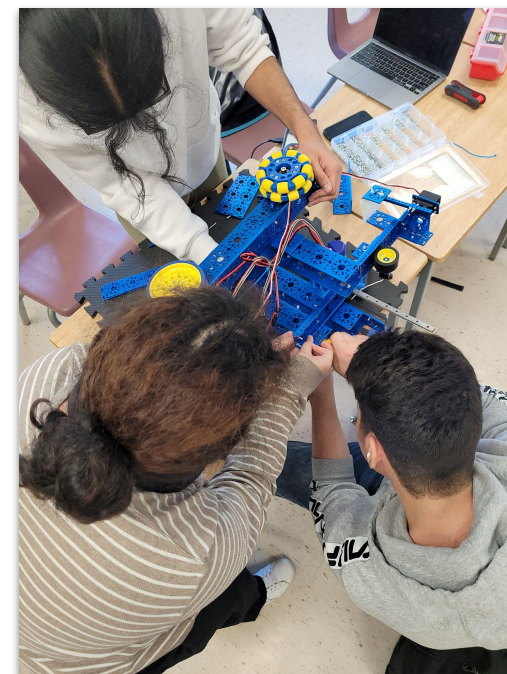
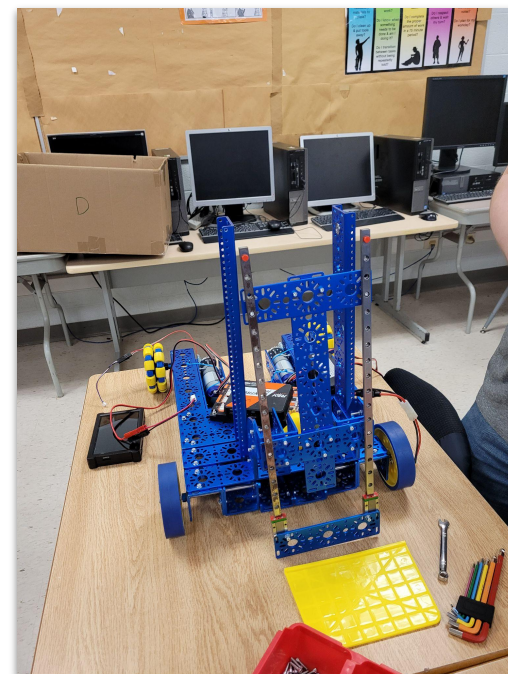


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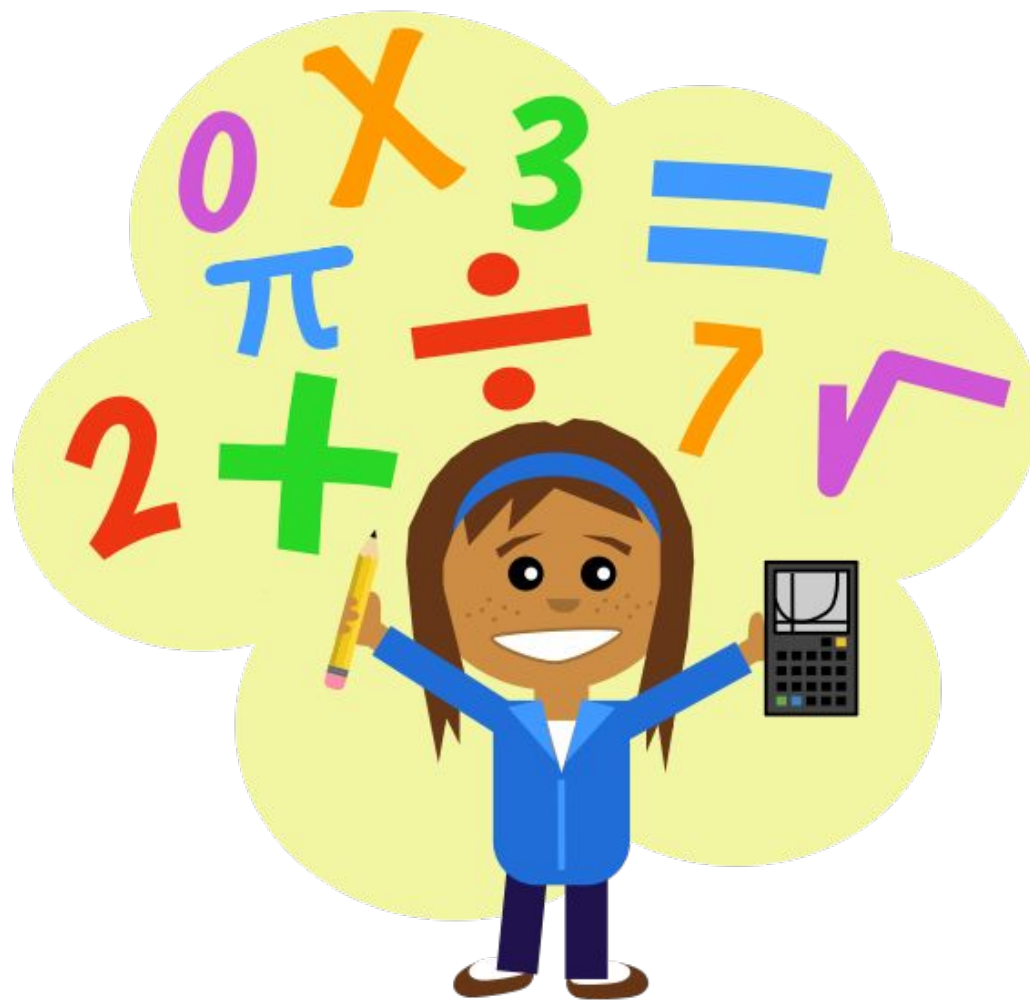
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# Keswick High School Principal Report



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# Principal's Report: Projections for 2023-2024

Gr 9	Gr 10	Gr 11	Gr 12(12+)	Total
227	224	195	289	935

## Community Classes:

- Autism 1 (non credit bearing program)
- Autism 2 (new) (non credit bearing program)
- Complex Needs (non credit bearing program)
- ASD (mixture of non credit support and credit bearing) 9-10 only
- Comprehensive (new) - credit bearing 0 9-10 only
- Jr. Intensive (mixture of non credit support and credit bearing) 9-10 only; may include within school work placements
- Sr. Intensive (mixture of non credit support and credit bearing) 11-12 only
  - often includes community work placements



# Principal's Report - Important Dates

March 24-27 - Interim Reports emailed out

March 30 - Paying for Post-Secondary Guest  
Speaker from 6-8 pm

- Family Teacher Interview Night 6:30-8:30

April 5 - Formal Wear Share Event

April 19- Last day of term one

April 20 - First day of term two

April 27- May 1st - Midterm Reports emailed out

May 5 - PA Day

May 25 - Prom

June 19-27 Exams - \*change

June 26 - Graduation - \*change

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# Principal's Report - Building Updates

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Stairwells are being painted

Student Washrooms were freshly painted and repaired over March Break - new locks on doors, soap dispensers and toilet paper dispensers

Roof assessment done in 2019 - ongoing roof repairs that have been delayed due to Covid



# Principal's Report - Board monthly updates

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YRDSB provides monthly update podcasts:

<https://open.spotify.com/episode/06W3HYG6VZI2pEZCDjqsKB?si=zme2HrusTNiNRQPounDliA>







# Principal's Report - School Council Forum

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Plenary - A Holistic Approach to Mental Health: Within us,  
Between us, and Around us

3 Break out session:

- School Council Engagement
- Destreaming as an Equity Strategy
- Supporting the ABC's of Mental Health at Home

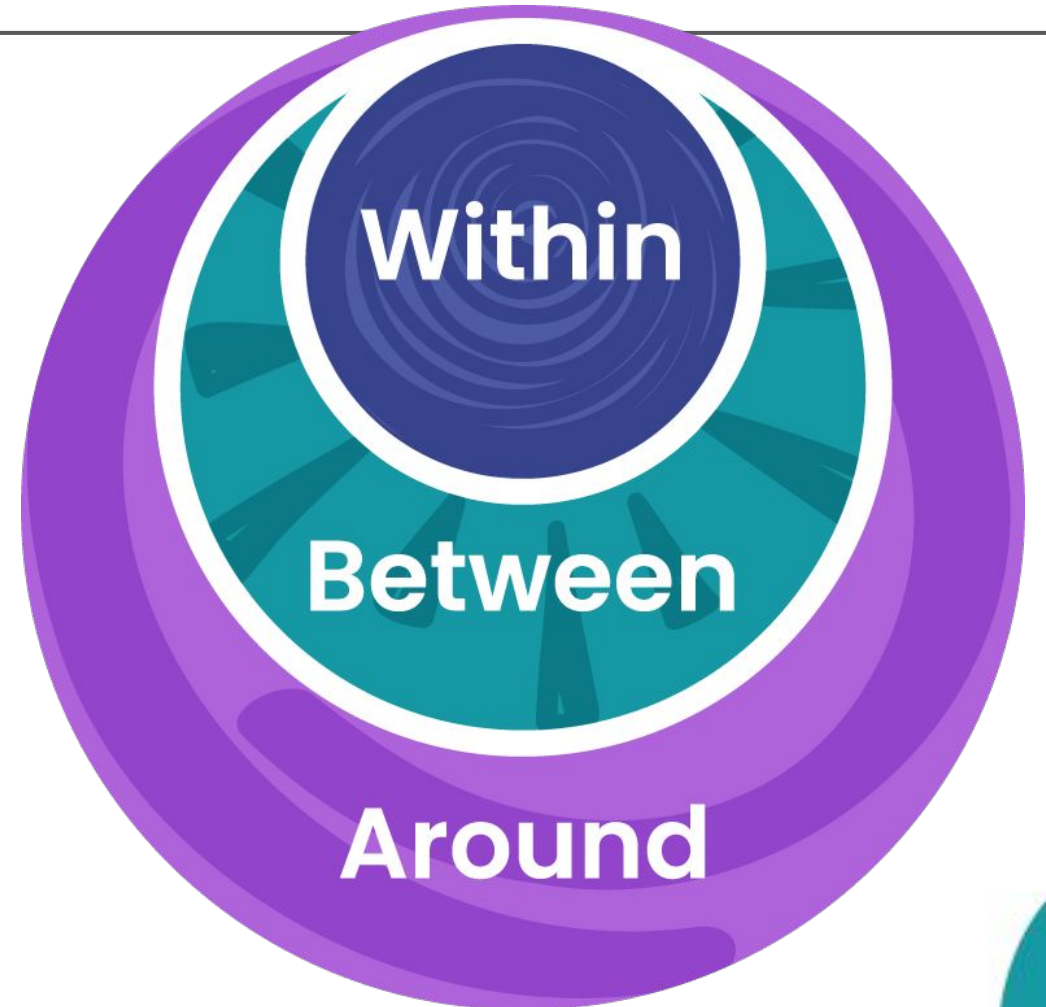


# Within, Between, Around

A holistic approach to mental health acknowledges the many parts of mental health.

These are interrelated parts that lie **Within** an individual, parts that lie **Between** individuals such as in relationships, and the parts that exist **Around** individuals and groups, such as in community and the learning/social environment.

Acknowledging that there are many different individual and community understandings of the parts of mental health.





# Treasurer's Report

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Every year the Board transfers money to schools and indicates an amount for School Council.

Last year we were given the option to carry over our unspent monies. We have \$500 and we have received another \$500 this year. Have \$1000.

## Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant

Last year we applied and received \$800 for a Guest Speaker

- Ideas? Grade specific support such as Grad gifts, Grad breakfast
- Teacher appreciation gifts/food ( e.g., Teacher Appreciation Week will take place from February 5 to 11, 2023)



# Guidance Updates

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## **Course Selection Update**

- Course selection is now complete
- Students have a chance to request a change using the [Course Change Confirmation Form](#)
- Sent to all families and students March 24th. Deadline to submit is Tuesday, April 11th.
- If the student does not need a change or they are happy with their courses, please do not submit the form

## **Paying for Post-Secondary Presentation**

- March 30th @ 6pm in the KHS Cafeteria (same evening as family interview night)
- All are welcome to attend (Grades 9-12)
- Useful for both college and university-bound students, this seminar dives into tackling the many costs of post-secondary and exploring the solutions available to those hoping to pursue further education in Ontario
  - Costs and fees of post-secondary, OSAP & line of credit breakdowns
  - How to apply and where to look for scholarships and bursaries
  - Saving with pathway and budgeting best practices



# Guidance Updates

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## **Covenant House Anti-Sex Trafficking Presentation**

- Ontario government mandate to increase the awareness of sex trafficking and understanding in schools
- Covenant House is the largest agency in Canada that supports youth who are homeless, trafficked or at risk
- April 26th - Grade 9 Phys Ed students will receive an Anti-Sex Trafficking information session called "Trafficked"
- Parents and community members are also invited to an "Introduction to Sex Trafficking" presentation via ZOOM from 6:30pm to 8:00pm
- Communication to students and families via email this week



# Guidance Updates

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## **Graduation Update**

- June 26th @ 7pm here at Keswick High School
- Graduation Planning Committee began planning in December
- List of potential graduates for June of 2023 has been updated
- Group of sub-committees working together to create a wonderful evening for our Class of 2023 graduates
- Information regarding tickets and fees will be messaged next week (week of April 3rd)
- Graduating students scholarships and bursaries application to open on April 11th and close April 28th
- Community members and partners are now being contacted to confirm support of awards
- If you or someone you know would like to put forward money or an award please contact us in Guidance
- Valedictorian nominations to take place from April 11th to April 28th. Voting by graduating students will take place in early May



# School Council Membership

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# ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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- **Chair/Co-Chair:** Calls & chairs meetings; sets agendas; works collaboratively with members to assign duties
- **Vice-Chair:** Supports and assists the Chair
- **Treasurer:** Manages finances, reports monthly on accounts
- **Secretary:** Prepares agendas and takes minutes
- **Members:** Participate and encourage participation





# COUNCIL ELECTIONS

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Call for members

- **Chair/Co-Chair:**
- **Vice-Chair:**
- **Treasurer:** Robyn Caldwell
- **Secretary:** Corinne D'Angelo
- **Members:**

Send me your contact information [candice.mott@yrdsb.ca](mailto:candice.mott@yrdsb.ca)





# Priorities for the School Year

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In June there is an annual report that we complete together outlining our joint work. We share how we attempt to do the following:

- support parent, family and community involvement and engagement;
- work towards building a positive school environment and an equitable and inclusive school community;
- celebrate achievements of students, schools and the community;
- provide additional support and training; or
- raise funds for the school



# FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Suggested Topics/Focus</b>
Monday, May 15 - 7:00 p.m.	OSAP + Financing Post Secondary



# Questions & Suggested Topics for Future Meetings

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