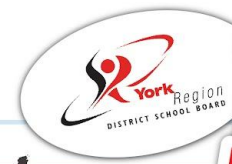


The Story of Keswick High School



2024

**OPEN
HOUSE**

About us.

Keswick High School has been firmly rooted in the Georgina community for twenty-five years. These strong roots have enabled staff and students to respond effectively to new demands and challenges brought on by an ever changing environment. Throughout all the challenges of the past few years, the school's community is aware of the importance of maintaining a positive environment and family atmosphere that supports student needs.



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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 Beau-soleil, 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, knowledges 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.

Administration.

Casey Daleman, Principal
Paul Ruytenbeek, Vice-Principal (A-K)
Roosbeh Termei, Vice-Principal (L-Z)

Focus Statements.

We are braver than we believe, stronger than we seem and smarter than we think.

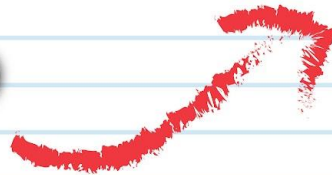
We are critical thinkers who stand up for our rights while carrying our responsibilities.

We succeed in inclusive spaces where our voices and lived experiences are valued and leveraged.

School Information.

Opened: September 2000
Grades: 9-12
Current Enrollment: 964

Keswick



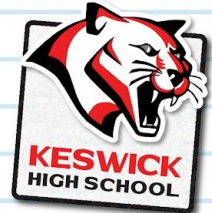
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KHS Timetable



- Early start school
- August start, October break.
- Semestered
- 9:05am–3:05pm
- 4 classes each semester – 75 minute periods
- 45 minute lunch
- Exams in January and June

9:05	
	Period One
10:25	
10:30	
	Period Two
11:45	
	Lunch
12:30	
	Period Three
1:45	
1:50	
	Period Four
3:05	
	Repertoire (if selected)



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Experience Learning



- Community Connected Experiential Learning Projects
 - Music Concerts, Drama productions, Dance productions and Art Showcase
- Innovation in the class
- Math
- Science
- Arts, Technology, Business
- Robotics
- Field trips and international trips
- York Region Skills Challenge (YRSC)



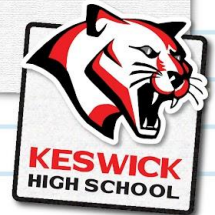
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Experience Our Supports



- Student Success
- Student Services
- Indigenous Student Study Centre
- Multi Language Learner Support
- Guidance
- Mental Health Nurse
- Mobile Youth Walk-In Clinic (MOBYSS)
- Breakfast and Snack Programs



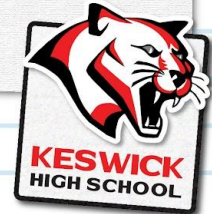
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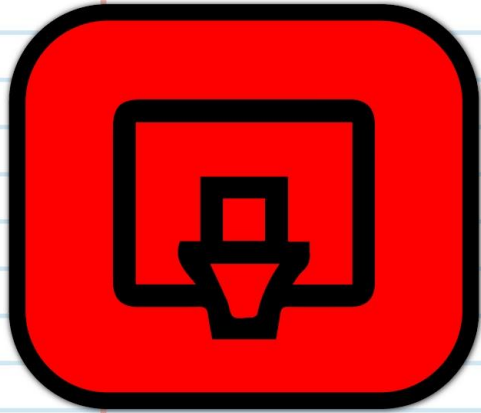


a **YRDSB** Story



Keawick High's Hospitality Program:
Food, Skills, and Community

Experience Athletics



- Badminton
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Curling
- Slow Pitch
- Snowboarding
- Soccer
- Track and Field
- Cross-Country
- Lacrosse
- Hockey
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- Rugby
- Skiing
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Volleyball



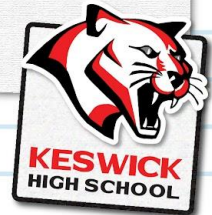
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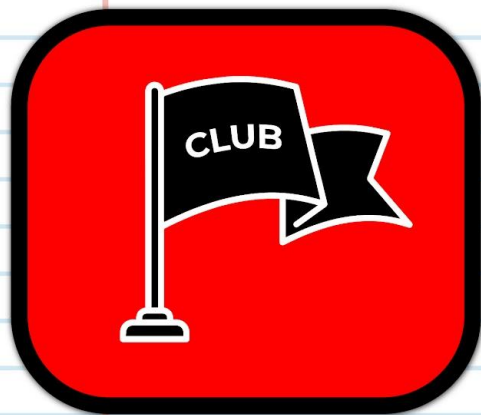
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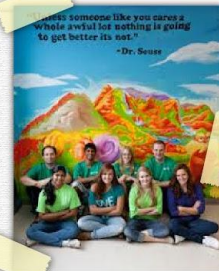
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Experience Clubs



- Art Council
- Athletic Council
- Book Club
- Black Students Association
- Dance & Drama
- Dungeons & Dragons Club
- Environmental Council
- Gender Sexuality Alliance
- Global Connections
- Healthy Schools
- KHS Ambassadors
- KHS Tech Crew
- Law Team
- Morning Announcements
- Music Council
- Persian Club
- Poetry Club
- Prom Committee
- Robotics Team
- Student Council



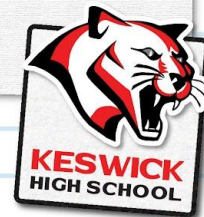
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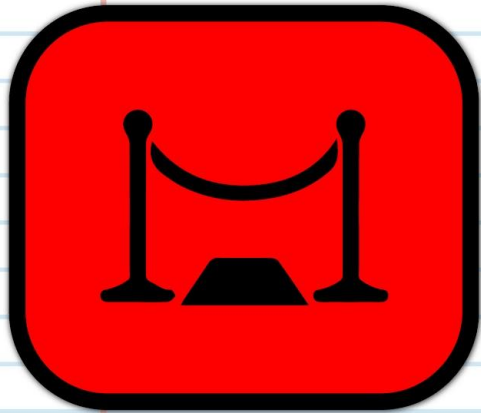
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Experience Events



- Art-a-thon and the Arts Banquet
- Athletic Banquet
- Coffee House
- Drama and Dance Productions
- Keswick Cup
- Post-Secondary Fair
- Wellness Week and Fair
- Prom
- Semi-Formal
- Tournament Host
- Waterloo Math Contest



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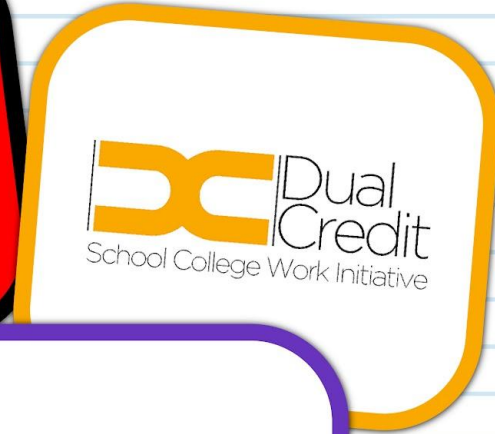
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Experience Programs



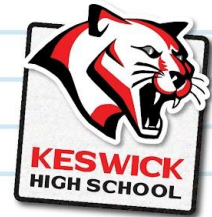
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Diploma Requirements

FINANCIAL LITERACY REQUIREMENT

Starting in September 2025, students must earn a new financial literacy graduation requirement as part of their compulsory Grade 10 Mathematics course.

TECH AND STEM COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Students will also need to earn 1 credit from a STEM-related course group:

- Business Studies
- Computer Studies
- Cooperative Education
- Mathematics (in addition to the 3 compulsory)
- Science (in addition to the 2 compulsory)
- Tech Education (in addition to the 1 compulsory)

ONLINE LEARNING REQUIREMENT

Online Learning Gradation Requirement Opt-out – Students have the choice to 'opt-out' of the online learning graduation requirement. Please speak with a guidance counsellor to learn more.



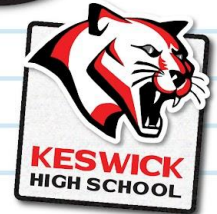
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Diploma Requirements

Compulsory Credits

4  ENGLISH

3  MATH

2  SCIENCE

1  GEOGRAPHY

1  FRENCH

1  TECHNOLOGICAL
EDUCATION

1  PHYSICAL EDUCATION

1  HISTORY

1   CIVICS & CAREERS

1  ART

1 **STEM GROUP -**
Business, Computer Studies,
Cooperative Education,
additional Math, additional Science,
additional Tech

17 + **13** = **30**
COMPULSORY OPTIONAL OSSD

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT HOURS

Make a commitment to get your 40 hours completed as soon as possible but starting no earlier than July 1st, 2025.

Register online with Neighbourhood Network to be notified about local volunteer opportunities OR visit the Guidance office to learn more about volunteer opportunities.



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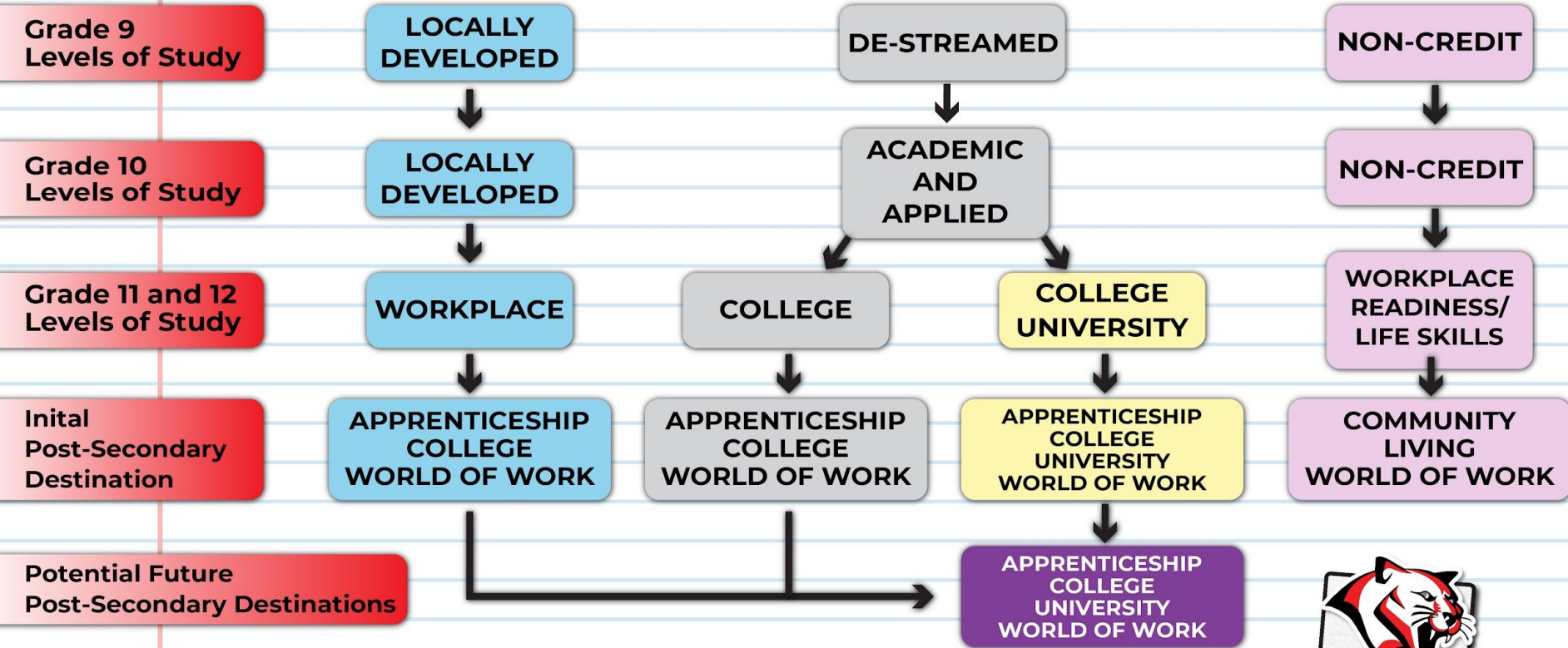


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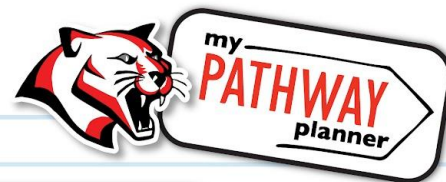
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Compulsory Courses



MATH

You choose your
pathway option -
De-streamed (W) or Locally
Developed (L)



ENGLISH

You choose your
pathway option -
De-streamed (W) or Locally
Developed (L)



SCIENCE

You choose your
pathway option -
De-streamed (W) or Locally
Developed (L)



GEOGRAPHY

De-streamed (W)



FRENCH

You choose your
pathway option -
Academic (D) or Open(O)



PHYS. ED

Female - PPL108 - Open (O)
Male - PPL109 - Open (O)
All-ed - PAF101 - Open (O)



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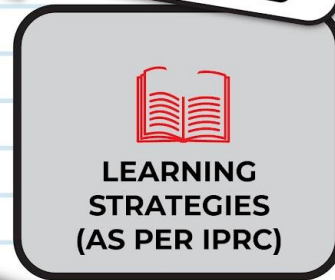
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Optional Courses



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Choose courses wisely. The timetable will be created based on your requests.



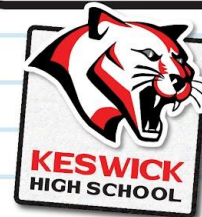
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Course Selection Timelines



COURSE SELECTIONS DUE ONLINE: Friday, February 21st @ 4:00pm

Access **My Pathway Planner** (see instructions below). Utilize **My Pathway Planner** to research post-secondary programs/pathways and their requirements to develop a pathway plan. Engage in informed discussions about appropriate courses with parents/guardians, teachers and transitions teachers.

FINAL DAY TO SUBMIT COURSE SELECTIONS - Please submit through My Pathway Planner by 4pm on February 21st.



Guidance Presentations - Guidance to visit Family of Elementary Schools to provide course selection presentations, information and materials.

LOCK-IN WINDOW - Period of time during which students 'submit' online course selections through My Pathway Planner. Once you have reviewed your selections, send an approval email to a parent/guardian for final sign-off.



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Course Selection



Students Currently Attending a YRDSB

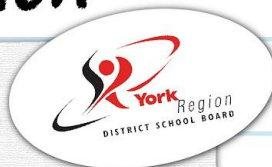
Elementary School:

- For students currently within our boundaries, no registration forms are required.

Transfer Requests:

- Required for students living outside our boundaries
- Check Board website – School Locator – to determine home school
- If KHS is not your home school a transfer request will be due to your current elementary school by Friday, January 31st, 2025.

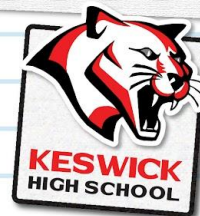
Important to engage in early conversations with Grade 8 teachers if you are unsure about the appropriate course types to select.



Students Currently Attending a Non-YRDSB Elementary School (Ex. private school, Catholic Board, home schooled):

Registration forms are required and paperwork typically due at the beginning of February.

Please monitor the Keswick High School website or call the main office for more information.



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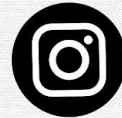
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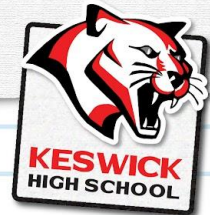
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Remainder of the Evening

Please circulate around the school, using the handout, map and tour guide. This is an excellent opportunity to become familiar with:

- Student Services/Special Education Department – 7:30–7:45pm (Library)
- Our building
- Student population
- The variety of programming available
- Supportive staff & students

Our KHS Ambassadors and Student Leaders will be available in the hallways to answer any questions, provide directions.

Refreshments will be available in the front foyer & outside the cafeteria.
Courtesy of our KHS Hospitality Program.

Thank You For Coming!



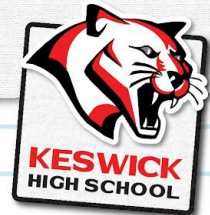
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