



109 Garden Avenue
Richmond Hill, On, L4C 6M1
905-889-6266
Attendance: 905-889-6266 ext: 1



News Bulletin: March 10-21

Administration

Principal:
Sheri Epstein

Vice-Principal:
Janice Bordonali

Vice-Principal:
Derrick Schellenberg

STAY CONNECTED



@langstaffss

Important Dates:

March 10-14
March Break-NO SCHOOL

March 19
Interim Reports sent to students

March 20
AWAKE Conference

TMU Presentation for International Students

A Message from your Administrators

Dear Langstaff Families and Community Members,

I hope that you and your family will enjoy a wonderful March Break and are looking forward to the final few months of the semester.

I want to share with you some of the wonderful student-driven activities that have taken place recently at LSS. Our Wellness Committee organized an amazing Pink Shirt Day on February 26. Our school was filled with Pink which shows are school's commitment to being kind to one another and standing up against bullying. During the lunch hour, we had some great activities, like friendship bracelets, colouring, and poem writing, in which all our students enjoyed participating in. Today, our Jewish Student Club has organized a hamentashen-making workshop to honour the holiday of Purim during lunch. Our students are looking forward to making these delicious triangle-shaped cookies.

We have also set up a Multi-Faith space for those students who wish to pray during Ramadan. The prayer room is located in the library. Students are free to access this space when the need to, throughout Ramadan or any time of the school year. As well, one of our classrooms, Room 159, is available to all those who are fasting and would like an alternate space, to the cafeteria, to hang out in during the lunch hour. A teacher supervises this room and there are games and other activities for the students to use during the lunch hour. We wish all those honouring and celebrating Ramadan a Ramadan Mubarak.

Right after March Break there are some great spirit activities planned for the students. Our first day back to school, Monday, March 17 is St. Patrick's Day, and we are asking all staff and students to wear green and feel a little "luck of the Irish". Then, on Wednesday March 19, our Wellness Committee is planning a green slime-making workshop, which is going to be so much fun for all who participate.

Also, right after March Break, all Interim Report Cards will be available to students and families. Report cards will be emailed to students' GAPPS accounts and will also be available on the YRDSB Family Dashboard. Our Parent/Guardian-Teacher Interview Night will take place on Thursday, April 3, and this Interim Report Card will be a great indicator in your child's courses. More information about the Interview Night will come out soon.

Have a wonderful weekend and a restful March Break!

Ms. S. Epstein

InspireLearning!

Families planning to move or students not returning in September

Dear Families,

As we begin our planning for the 2025-2026 school year, we kindly ask you to inform the school office if your family has plans to move over the summer, or if your children will not be returning in September for any reason. This information helps us to ensure a smooth transition for all students and to make necessary staffing arrangements for the upcoming academic year.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and helps us in planning effectively for the new school year.

Thank you for your support.

Attendance Reminder

Parents/Guardians are reminded to report all late or absent notices to the Attendance Office AS SOON AS POSSIBLE by calling: 905-889-6266 ext.: 1

OR

email: langstaff.ss.attendance@yrdsb.ca Please note we do not use EDSBY for attendance.

From the Graduation Committee

Dear Parents/Guardians,

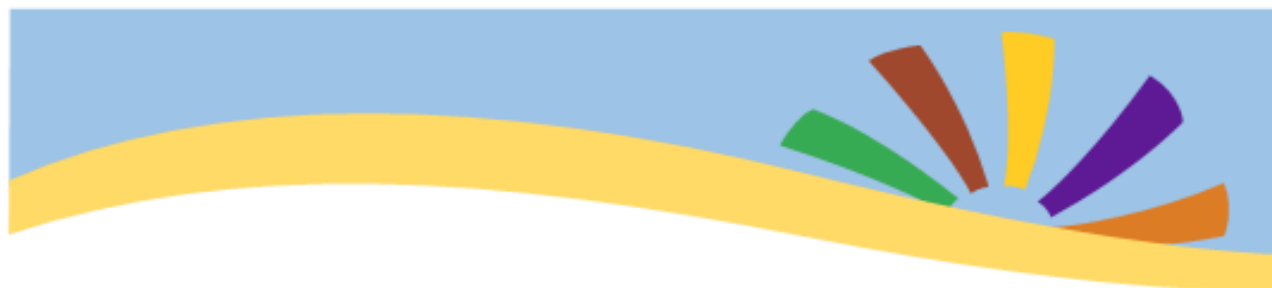
Preparations for the LSS Class of 2025 Graduation Ceremony are currently underway. The ceremony will take place on Tuesday June 24, 2025, at 7pm at the Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts.

To plan accordingly, we must know how many students will be attending the ceremony, this will help us determine how many guests per student, will be invited.

The following applies to ALL Grade 12 students:

1. Your child must complete a **mandatory** Google Form posted on the LSS Class of 2025 Google Classroom, this will inform us if they will or will not be attending the graduation ceremony.
2. If your child will be attending the graduation ceremony, please go to School Cash Online to purchase the cap and gown **as soon as possible**.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



Schedule for Parents Night!

Thursday, April 3, 2025

6:30 pm to 8:30 pm



6:30—7:15 pm: Join Langstaff teachers for a “meet and greet” in the Cafeteria. This is a great opportunity to meet your child’s teachers and have a quick chat on how they are doing in class. This time is great for those progressing well in courses and who just want to say hi to the staff.

Refreshments will be provided.

7:15—8:30 pm: Formal parent-teacher appointments will take place. These appointments can be initiated by teachers and/or parents and guardians, and will only be for situations that are more serious or of concern, relating to academic performance, attendance, or any other issues. Note: These appointments will not be for students progressing well in their courses.



School News

LANGSTAFF SS



Langstaff Secondary School

106 Garden Avenue, Richmond Hill, Ontario L4C 6M1

Tel: (905)-889-6266 Fax: (905)-889-6676

March 5, 2025

Parents' Night is on Thursday April 3rd. You will have an opportunity to meet with your child(ren)'s teacher(s) in person and learn more about their course(s). Parents can use **TeachAssist**, an online platform, to schedule a meeting time with their children's teacher(s) on Parents' Night. All students in our school currently have a TeachAssist account to access information associated with their class assessments.

Parents/guardians may access appointment bookings on Wednesday March 26th through the TeachAssist Parent Portal available at <https://ta.yrdsb.ca/parents>. From there, enter in your email address and leave the password blank, to set up a one time access link, or to reset a password that you've created. An email will be sent with a time limited link that will look similar to this:

teachassist@yrdsb.ca
To: parent_email

Click here for your one time access to teachassist
<https://ta.yrdsb.ca/live/parents/listReports.php?email=parent&token=serdftyugio678>

Once logged in, parents/guardians will have the option to set up a password. For instructions on how to book a parent-teacher interview through TeachAssist, please click [here](#). If you have any questions about this process, please contact our main office.

If you have any challenges with meeting in-person on Thursday April 3rd, please contact your child's teacher to make alternative arrangements for another day.

Important Timelines

March 21 - March 24	Interim Reports will be distributed electronically to parents / guardians / 18+ students via the Electronic Distribution Process.
March 26	Parents' Night schedule opens at 9:00 a.m. for booking. Parents/Guardians will go to the TeachAssist parent portal https://ta.yrdsb.ca/parents to book their appointment(s).
April 2	Interview Scheduler closes at 12:00 p.m.
April 2	Parents receive confirmation email(s) from teachers.
April 3	Parent Teacher Interview Night 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. - Meet and Greet in the Cafeteria 7:15 - 8:30 p.m. - Formal Interviews

Your partners in education,

Sheri Epstein
Principal

Derrick Schellenberg
Vice Principal

Janice Bordonali
Vice Principal

Accessing Your Guidance Team

WELCOME
TO
GUIDANCE



YOUR GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT

Support and promote students' well-being and continuous growth in three areas: personal (student) development, interpersonal development, and career development in order to help them develop resilience and realize their potential (success) as individuals and as valuable members of society.

-Ontario School Counsellors' Association

Contact Information: Please note the Guidance Counselors below

Ms. H. Wager

heather.wager@yrdsb.ca

Alpha A-Q

Ms. N. Cooper

nadine.cooper@yrdsb.ca

Alpha R-Z

Mrs. L. Rico, Guidance Secretary

lina.rico@yrdsb.ca



Stay Connected and in the "Loop": Continue to stay up to date by following us on Instagram and LSS Guidance & Success Google Classroom.

Instagram: @lssguidance

Google Classroom: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NjcxOTQwNzYzNDFa?cjc=4rjwryf>



Guidance Appointments can be made in person by coming to guidance. There is a red binder on a standing desk in the Guidance Office. Students can book with their respective counsellor, by alpha last name. The appointments are made available every Monday morning for the week.

Understanding and Navigating the Education System



presented by
**THE CENTRE FOR
BLACK STUDENT EXCELLENCE**

Families of YRDSB Black Students Monthly Information Session

Monday, March 24, 2025
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Families, parents, caregivers, please join us for our monthly virtual meeting where families with Black children come together to learn about resources and upcoming programs for Black students in both elementary and secondary schools.

Agenda:

- Welcome and Engagement Exercise
- Presentation on YRDSB Speciality Programs
- Upcoming Programs and Events
- Question and Answer Session

Please register ASAP.

A Zoom meeting link will be sent after registration.

Let us come together to empower our students and build a stronger community.

We look forward to seeing you there.



[Register now.](#)

If you require further information, please contact
BlackStudentExcellence@yrdsb.ca



Trans Day of Visibility Celebration

We invite 2SLGBTQIA+ and ally students, families, and staff of all ages to join us for an evening of community, connection, and celebration as we honour Trans Day of Visibility! This event is free to attend.

Location: Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School, 39 Dunning Ave, Aurora, ON L4G 1A2

Date & Time: Tuesday, March 25, 2025, 6pm-8pm

Hoodie Swap

Bring a hoodie, take a hoodie! Find comfortable and affirming clothing.

Community Resources

Connect with local organizations supporting Queer youth & families.

Art & Activities

Express yourself through creative stations and Queer & Trans trivia.

Eat

Enjoy pizza and snacks during the event.

Connect

Connect with peers and families with shared identities and experiences

To Register

To Register: Attendance is free, but please fill out a [registration form](#) by March 18, 2025.

If you have any further questions, please contact: iscs@yrdsb.ca



Come play **SOFTBALL**

**Have fun and make friends. Gain self-confidence.
Learn to bat, catch, throw, field and work together as a team!**



2025 registration now open

**New players welcome
All skill levels, ages 4 to 21**

**LEARN TO PLAY
HOUSE LEAGUE AND SELECT TEAMS**

Learn to play

**AGES 7 AND UNDER
1 NIGHT A WEEK
\$105 FOR THE WHOLE
SEASON**



RICHMOND HILL MINOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Want To Play?
REGISTER
at **rhmsa.ca**

Ask a question ✉ secretary@rhmsa.ca 📷 [@rhmsasoftball](https://www.instagram.com/rhmsasoftball)



Umpiring and sponsorship opportunities available



High Conflict Divorce

STRATEGIES TO DISENGAGE FROM THE CONFLICT

Topics will include:

- impact of conflict on children
- different interaction models for different levels of conflict
- how to avoid being triggered by an ex-partner
- different parenting strategies for higher conflict families



\$45 per person

(sliding scale available)

Monday March 31, 2025

7:00 - 9:00 pm | Via Zoom

JF&CS strives for inclusivity in all its programs, serving community members of any income, family structure, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, level of observance, race, ethnicity, cultural identity and place of origin.

For more information or to register, please call 416.638.7800 x 6234

Register online! www.jfandcs.com



www.facebook.com/jfandcs



UJA FEDERATION
of Greater Toronto



United Way
Greater Toronto

 **Ontario**