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#### **News Bulletin: May 12-23**

#### Administration A Message from your Administrators

Principal:

Sheri Epstein

Vice-Principal: Janice Bordonali

Vice-Principal: Derrick Schellenberg

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#### **Important Dates:**

May 14 Physics Contest

May 15 Science Contest Field Trip-Vishnu Mandir Temple Tour Track and Field

May 19 Victoria Day-No School

May 20 7:00 pm School Council Meeting

May 21 Field Trip—Wonderland Baseball Game

May 22 Field trip-Zoo Track & Field

May 23 Field Trip-Dave & Buster's Track & Field Baseball Game Hello Langstaff Families and Community Members,

Spring is finally here and so is the sunshine with everyone wanting to get outside and get involved. Life at Langstaff has never been busier with all of the amazing activities, events, and initiatives being organized by our superb students and staff.

Our students have been participating in numerous amazing and challenging opportunities, including writing Advanced Placement exams, such as Math, Science, and English. Students are going on field trips to connect with the community and participating in Math and Science contests to test their knowledge and understanding. We also have students participating in various sports including badminton, volleyball, soccer, and even ultimate frisbee.

A group of 19 adventurous "Bears" have traveled to Europe to see the sights and embrace the countries of Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Spain. These trips are a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience some of what the world has to offer and enjoy the culture, the food, the architecture, and the art of a few nations rich in history and tradition. We are all excited to hear about their trip and learn more about their escapades abroad.

As we enter the final months of the school year we are focused on finishing our courses well, succeeding academically, and maintaining our positive relationships with the staff, students, and the community. Exams and culminating tasks are only a few weeks away and we know that we need to approach these challenges with responsibility, attention, and effort before the summer is finally here. We are looking forward to finishing the year strong and being ready for the fall. Have a wonderful weekend.

Ms. S. Epstein Principal



#### **School News**

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#### 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.

#### Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics.

We are writing to inform you about the upcoming **Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics**, administered by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO). This provincial test is designed to evaluate the mathematics knowledge and skills that students are expected to have acquired by the end of their Grade 9 mathematics course.

Students will be writing the assessment on **June 10th** and **June 11th** during their scheduled math class. The Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics is an online test that includes two sessions, covering various strands of the Grade 9 mathematics curriculum. These strands include Number, Algebra, Data, Geometry and Measurement, and Financial Literacy. The assessment aims to measure students' proficiency in these areas and their ability to apply mathematical processes. The results of this assessment will count towards 10% of your child's final mark in their Grade 9 mathematics course.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact your child's math teacher. In addition, please visit the <u>EQAO website</u> for more information.

## **School News**

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## CHALLAH BAKE EVENT

Date: Thursday, May 29, 2025

Time: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Location: Langstaff Secondary School

Address: 106 Garden Avenue, Richmond Hill



# Celebrate Tradition. Create Together. Share in the Joy.

Join us as we celebrate the richness, resilience, and history of Jewish communities! Roll up your sleeves and learn how to braid challah, the symbolic Jewish bread.

Open to all YRDSB students, families, and staff

Please register here by Thursday, May 22, 2025.







Questions?

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# Accessing Your Guidance Team



#### 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
<a href="mailto:heather.wager@yrdsb.ca">heather.wager@yrdsb.ca</a>
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.

#### **Guidance News**

#### <u>Information about YRDSB Summer School 2025</u>

#### Hello Parents and Guardians of our Langstaff Students;

Summer School is being offered by our school board during the month of July.

#### Types of Summer School Opportunities

<u>Acceleration Courses:</u> These are 18 day courses for students who have completed a course but feel that they need to upgrade their mark and their understanding of the course for future studies.

Online Learning: This format is available mainly for grade 11 and grade 12 courses. Online learning does not require the students and teacher to be face-to-face and therefore, the specific timing online is flexible. However students must be prepared to be online for a minimum of 6 hours daily. Access to a desktop or laptop with high speed Internet is required. Students also must be residing in Ontario for the session.

Dates: Wednesday, July 2nd to Friday, July 25th

<u>In-Person Learning:</u> Students are required to be in class for the duration of the course. They also must be able to get to the school offering the course and be in the classroom by 8:45 a.m. each morning. The classes end at 3:33 pm. Grade 10, 11 and 12 courses are available.

Dates: Wednesday, July 2nd to Friday, July 25th, 8:45 am - 3:33 pm

Registration will open for students on Tuesday, April 15th. They apply using their My Pathway Planner (MyBlueprint) student account. They will choose the "Continuing Education" icon and then choose their preferred school location and course. Please note that for students choosing to take Civics and Career Studies, they will need to complete the steps for both Civics and then Career Studies.

Students MUST print out a Verification Form that MUST be signed by their parent/guardian and then returned to the Guidance Department at Langstaff for approval ASAP as spots fill up quickly.

To find out further information, please click on this link:

YRDSB Summer School Information

Thanks so much.

Langstaff Guidance Department

#### **Board News**

Dear Parents, Please see next school year calendar.

#### YORK REGION DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD 2025-2026 LEARNING CALENDAR

All Elementary and Regular Secondary Schools (excluding the following schools: Bill Crothers SS, Keswick HS, Maple HS, Markville SS and Sutton DHS)

This calendar has been created to help you plan your family holidays, medical and dental appointments around your child's learning. The most important days - the ones unmarked (excluding weekends) - are the days which students are expected to attend school. For your information, professional activity days and holidays are also listed.

| SEPTEMBER 2025 |    |    |    |    |     |          | ı          | FEBRUARY 2026 |    |            |         |     |         |  |
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YORK REGION DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR All Elementary and Regular Secondary School

> FIRST DAY OF CLASSES Tuesday, September 2, 2025

LAST DAY OF CLASSES Secondary Wednesday, June 24, 2026 Elementary Thursday, June 25, 2026\* \* Early release

#### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Labour Day Monday, September 1, 2025 Thanksgiving Day Monday, October 13, 2025 Winter Break Monday, December 22, 2025 to Friday, January 2, 2026 inclusive Family Day Monday, February 16, 2026 Mid-Winter Break Monday, March 16, 2026 to Friday, March 20, 2026 inclusive Good Friday Friday, April 3, 2026 Easter Monday Monday, April 6, 2026 Victoria Day Monday, May 18, 2026

> Please see the Holidays & Observances calendar on the Board website for significant faith days.

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY DAYS NO SCHOOL

#### Elementary

Friday, September 26, 2025 Friday, October 24, 2025 Friday, November 21, 2025 Friday, January 16, 2026 Friday, January 30, 2026 Friday, June 5, 2026 Friday, June 26, 2026

#### Secondary

Friday, September 26, 2025 Friday, October 24, 2025 Friday, November 21, 2025 Friday, January 30, 2026 Monday, May 4, 2026 Thursday, June 25, 2026 Friday, June 26, 2026

Ultimately, parents are responsible for deciding whether to send their child to school. To find out if buses are cancelled due to weather conditions, you can check:

- the YRDSB website
- X@YRDSB
   oj@yrdsb.schools
- · the Student Transportation Services' (STS) website at net.schoolbuscity.com or hotline: 1-877-330-3001
- school websites
- · radio and television media outlets

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## **Board News**

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# Newcomer Youth Connections for Success

# New to Canada? In high school? Thinking about your future? NYCS is the program for you!

Newcomer Youth: Connections for Success (NYCS) helps newcomer teens, ages 15-18, build community connections, find peer support and enhance leadership & employment skills.



- · Career Exploration workshops
- Info about Canadian colleges & universities
- Group mentoring with university students and young professionals
- Valuable workplace skills for your resume
- · Volunteer opportunities related to potential careers
- The chance to meet new friends, grow your social circle, and more!
- Transportation provided for in-person workshops

NYCS is a 1-year program that empowers youth to embark on post-secondary education and make informed decisions about future career paths. NYCS also equips parents, mentors and employers in North York and Southern York Region to better support youth in settlement, decision-making and community integration.



Visit www.jvstoronto.org/nycs or email natali.hanukaev@jvstoronto.org

Open to newcomer youth 15-18 who have a PR card or Convention Refugee Status.

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#### **Community News**



6 June 14 B 9AM-2PM

Richmond Green Sports Centre and Park 1300 Elgin Mills Rd. E., Richmond Hill, ON

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Register NOW

# →Volunteer with Us @ Mon Sheong Walk & Fun 2025! →

This family-friendly event welcomes participants of all ages. Enjoy a scenic 4km walk in Richmond Hill's largest park, along with free refreshments, game booths and performances.

This event cannot run without the help of volunteers. Join Mon Sheong and be a part of the movement by volunteering with us!

#### Volunteer Details:

Date: Saturday, June 14, 2025 Time: 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Location: Richmond Green Sports Centre and Park** 1300 Elgin Mills Road East, Richmond Hill

### Volunteer Requirements:

- Age 16+ (exceptions for 14–15 with experience and strong interview)
- Able to communicate in English (Cantonese/Mandarin is an asset)
- Comfortable standing/walking for long periods; some roles require lifting
- Mature, dependable, and a good communicator



Learn more and sign up as a volunteer: https://forms.gle/yrUVMrUwok3mHnoV7



More about Walk & Fun 2025: mswalkandfun.com

Deadline: May 28, 2025

Enquires: joeytam@monsheong.org / 905-883-9288 ext. 3022

# YOUTH SKILLED TRADE EVENT

CITY OF TORONTO Explore. Connect. Build Your Future.

#### Who Should Attend?

- High school & college students
- People interested in Skilled
- Trades Educators, guidance counselors
- Communities underrepresented in the skilled trades including BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Colour) youth, women, and 2SLGBTQI+ youth

#### What to Expect:

- Hands-on trade demonstrations & simulators
- Meet skilled tradespeople & City professionals
- Explore career & Apprenticeship opportunities
- Info & resources from divisions, unions & colleges
- Inclusive space welcoming BIPOC youth, women, and 2SLGBTQI+ youth

#### **Date & Location:**

May 29th, 2025

1050 Ellesmere Rd., Toronto, ON M1P 4P4

9am - noon: Open to all youth

1 - 4pm: Session for BIPOC youth,

women, and 2SLGBTQI+ youth and allies.

#### **Participants**

- Corporate Real Estate Management
- Environment, Climate & Forestry
- Fleet Services Solid Waste
- - Management
- Toronto Fire Svcs
- Toronto Paramedic Svcs
- Toronto Water
- CUPE Local 416
- People & Equity (Recruitment)
- Various Colleges

#### **Highlighted Trades**

- Arborist
- Automotive Service Tech
- Electrician
- HVAC
- Litter Collector
- Millwright
- Parts Tech (240P)
- Plumbing
- Truck & Coach Tech
- Welding

## Register Now!

https://ca.mar.medallia.com/Registration







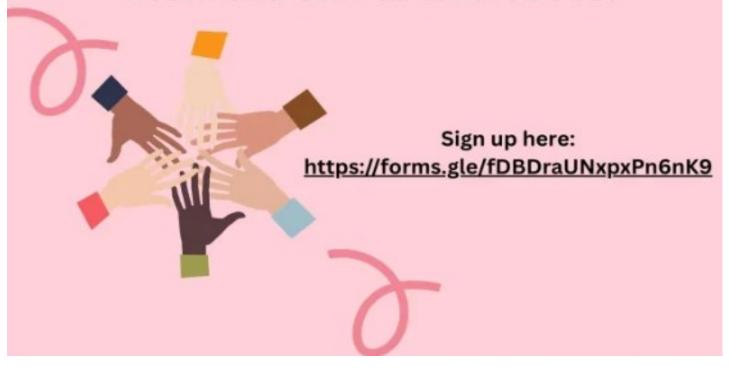




# Volunteers Wanted for VenturaFest!

Thursday, June 5, 2025 4:00-8:30 PM

Parents & high schoolers - lend a hand, earn hours, and join the fun! Flexible shifts available.



#### **Community News**



Join Support Ontario Youth (SOY) for an engaging and informative presentation designed for graduating students, parents, and educators interested in learning more about careers in the skilled trades.

As experts in the apprenticeship and skilled trades sector, the SOY team will break down the apprenticeship pathway, offering clear guidance on how students can successfully transition from high school into a rewarding career. The session will include practical tips, resources, and insights on how to find and connect with potential employers or sponsors. To add a real-world perspective, a licensed journeyperson will also join the discussion—sharing their personal journey in the trades and answering questions from attendees.

Whether you're a student considering your options, a parent looking to support your child's future, or an educator helping guide career pathways, this session will provide the tools and information you need.

Presentation Type: Virtual (Microsoft Teams)

Date: Wednesday, June 4th Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Registration Link: https://yrdsb.cc/YRDSB\_SOY\_Presentation\_Registration







