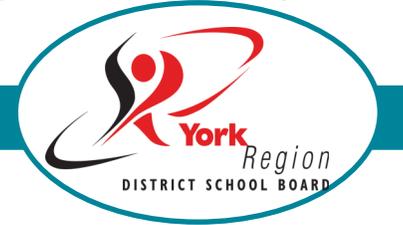




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Parent Newsletter: October 16 to October 27

Administration

Principal:
Sheri Epstein

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Heather Leatham

Vice-Principal:
Marianne C. Hamilton

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A Message from your Administrators

Dear Langstaff Families and Community Partners,

We hope that you have been able to welcome the fall season and all of its splendours - bright colours, warm treats, cool evening walks, and a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

Exciting things are happening at LSS! Some of our sports teams are up and running. Our students have participated in Track & Field, Volleyball, and Soccer. It is nice to see our students out on the fields, participating in activities they enjoy, while competing with their peers. In addition to sports, many clubs are up and running as well. These clubs are very busy planning activities and events to be shared with their members and in some cases with the whole school. Getting involved is a very important part of the High School experience and we love to see how many of our students participate in our clubs.

Langstaff's Student Council is now complete. We just held the elections for Grade 9 representatives and with the addition of our two newest members, STUCO (as our students refer to Student Council) is ready to roll and get underway with their many spirit days and spirit activities. STUCO is made up of an amazing group of students who represent the diversity, passions, and interests of our community. The first major event will be their "Halloween Spooktacular" Activities. There will be a haunted house, candy grams, and prizes for students and staff who wore spooktacular costumes. We hope to see all students participate in these spirit events.

Now, I am going to take a moment for a shameless plug. All our wonderful student activities led by STUCO, student clubs, and teams do need some financial support. These monies come directly from our Student Activity Fee. Over the summer, you received a package from the school and School Cash on Line asking you to please pay \$40 per student for the Student Activity Fee. All of these monies go directly to the students. We use these monies to help STUCO run their events, for clubs to purchase what they need and to subsidize our teams so that the costs are reasonable for our student athletes. So I am asking you, our wonderful Langstaff families, please find that package and pay the Student Activity Fee, if you haven't already, for your child(ren). If you are not comfortable using School Cash on Line, you are more than welcome to send \$40 into school, cash or cheque, with your child(ren). Thank you! All monies collected for the Student Activity Fee will go directly back to the students! If you wish to discuss this, please contact me, always happy to talk to you.

SCHOOL NEWS

A Message from your Administrators continued.....

To help with your planning, some important dates coming up are:

School Council – Applying to College and University	October 16	7:00 pm to 8:30 pm
Interim Reports sent home (to GAPPS accounts)	October 17-18	
IEPs shared with families	October 18	
Parent/Teacher Interview Night	October 26	6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Holocaust Education Week	November 1 st to November 7 th	
Grade 9 Take your Kids to Work Day	November 1 st	during the school day
Take Your Kids to High School Day (for Gr8s coming to LSS)	November 1 st	during the school day
Grade 8 Open House	November 2 nd	6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

We are very aware that due to world events happening at this time we have many students and staff who are feeling anxious, upset and afraid. We are providing safe spaces for students and teachers to come together to talk, ask questions and share thoughts and feelings. If you or your child needs more support at this time, please let us know so that we can best support them. All the adults in the building are being extra vigilant to ensure that all our students and staff, the entire Langstaff community, is safe and feels supported.

We wish to thank you for your unwavering support and understanding.

Ms. Sheri Epstein
Principal

School Bell Timetable

Period 1	8:25 am – 9:40 am
Period 2	9:45 am – 11:05 am
Lunch	11:10 am – 11:50 am
Period 3	11:55 am – 1:10 pm
Period 4	1:15 pm – 2:30 pm

October 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<p>October 16</p> <p>Boys Volleyball— away</p> <p>Boys soccer— away</p> <p>7 pm School Coun- cil Meeting</p>	<p>October 17</p> <p>Interims emailed home by the Board</p>	<p>October 18</p> <p>Awards Ceremony by invitation</p> <p>Boys Soccer game</p>	<p>October 19</p> <p>Ontario College Fair Field Trip</p> <p>Cross Country Meet</p>	<p>October 20</p> <p>PA DAY</p>
<p>October 23</p> <p>Photo Re-Take Day</p> <p>Boys Soccer game</p>	<p>October 24</p> <p>Boys Volleyball game—away</p>	<p>October 25</p>	<p>October 26</p> <p>Boys volleyball game—away</p> <p>6:30pm Parent/ Guardian Teacher Interview Night</p>	<p>October 27</p> <p>Kinesiology Field Trip</p>

SCHOOL NEWS

The Langstaff Cross-Country team took part in the annual Huron Heights invitational held at Boyd Conservation area this week. With blue skies above and still green grass below, the Bears impressed many with their results and efforts on the same course that will host the YRAA Championships next week. Our Novice Girls team (Alexa, Kheri, Jessica and Mina) had an incredible results for their first official High School meet. Highlighting their success was a 5th place finish by Alexa in a field of 120 runners. Our massive Jr Boys Team (Aleks, Ethan, Stephen, Evan, Andrew, Foroud, Dario and Ashkan) battled the dreaded hill in impressive fashion and look ready to battle for an OFSAA spot next week. Our Sr Boys (Michael) and Girls (Evelyn) teams conquered the 6km course in personal best times and are very "excited" to do it again next week. Cross-Country is not an easy sport, as coaches, Mme Burley and Mr. Tai-vassalo, could not be prouder of our team in their effort and attitudes and are excited for the York Region Championships on October 19th. Let's Go Bears!!



LANGSTAFF SECONDARY SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

6:30-8:30PM

THE AGENDA

6:30-7:00 PM: SPECIAL EDUCATION PRESENTATION

7:00-7:45PM: ALL ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL

7:45-8:30PM: TOUR OF LSS

PROGRAMS AT LANGSTAFF

- AP
- FRENCH IMMERSION
- HPA
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SCHOOL NEWS



Accelerated OYAP and Apprenticeship Information Night



Join us on a night to learn about Apprenticeship Pathways and our Accelerated OYAP Program! You should attend this information night if:

- you are a Grade 12 student who is planning on entering the Skilled Trades;
- you are a Grade 10 or 11 student who would like more information on this program to better prepare for this pathway, OR;
- you are the parent/guardian of a Grade 9 - 12 student who is considering a career in the skilled trades.

Learn about how to start an Apprenticeship
in one of these skilled trades while still in high school!

Automotive Service Technician	Baker	Child and Youth Worker
Auto Body Technician	Plumber	Carpenter
Cook	Hairstylist	Electrician
Floor Covering Installer	Drywall Finisher and Plasterer	Construction Craft Worker
Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Systems Mechanic	Truck and Coach Technician	Heavy Duty Equipment Technician

Join us on Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

REGISTER AT: <https://yrdsb.cc/OYAP-OpenHouse>



7:00 PM: Overview of OYAP Program with YRDSB and MLITSD

7:30 PM: Breakout Information Sessions for Skilled Trade Programs with the Training Delivery Agent (TDA)

8:15 PM: Closing Q&A with YRDSB

Seneca



SCHOOL NEWS



September, 2023

Dear parents/guardians,

As part of a partnership between YRDSB and Renewed Computer Technology (RCT), families with children enrolled in our Board have the opportunity to purchase quality refurbished computers at a reduced cost. Applicants must live in Ontario, have a student enrolled at YRDSB and either receive government assistance payments or qualify as a limited income earner under the limited income cut-off standards*.

Below is a limited income grid for your reference.

Family size	Annual income*
2 people	\$30,286
3 people	\$37,234
4 people	\$45,206
5 people	\$51,272
6 people	\$57,286
7 people +	\$64,381

This year, there are different packages available for purchase. Please reference the [online application page](#) for the current available package offerings. Please note that there are three options for delivery.

1. If you would like for the computer to be delivered directly to your home, there is a \$40 charge for laptops and a \$50 charge for desktops. Families who choose this delivery option will have their order shipped when it is ready, roughly 3 weeks from date of order.
 2. If you would like the device shipped to your child's school there is a \$20 delivery charge. If you choose this shipping option, the computer will be delivered to your child's school **after** the end of the promotion period. Please indicate the name of the school on the form when selecting this option.
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SCHOOL NEWS



3. You may choose to pick up the computer from the RCT Mississauga Warehouse, for free, located at **945 Meyerside Drive, Mississauga**. Families who choose this option will have their order ready for pick up roughly 3 weeks after the date of order.

Parents and legal guardians may apply for one computer per student, with a limit of two per household. Please see below for a full list of device specifications.

If you are interested in applying, please complete an online application at <https://www.jotform.com/210054491659255> using the group code on the attached program flyer. The application period is from September 21, 2023 – November 23, 2023 with delivery to schools taking place in December.

Please note - There are sections in the RCT Online Application that are no longer applicable:

- Requirement of Proof or Documentation of Income
- Requirement to participate in training prior to receiving your computer/laptop

The Section on Course of Study can pertain to elementary or secondary. If you do not have access to a computer or the Internet, please contact the administration team at your school for assistance.

For inquiries related to the RCT application process, devices and delivery, please contact Alexander Oliver (Aoliver@rcto.ca) and for inquiries related to support from YRDSB, please contact Yvonne Kelly (yvonne.kelly@yrdsb.ca)

For more information, including complete application and payment instructions, please refer to the attached program flyer and checklist.

Sincerely,

Mme Zaitlin

Principal

*****please see flyer attached*****

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 Counselor ALPHA allocation by last name

Ms. R. Chidiac, *Head of Guidance*
reina.chidiac@yrdsb.ca

Ms. S. Campbell
stephanie.campbell@yrdsb.ca

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.

A-O: Mme Chidiac, P-Z: Ms. Campbell

NEWS FROM GUIDANCE

Post Secondary Preparation

Guidance hosted a Post Secondary Planning Session on October 10 for all graduating students. The presentation and Grade 12 “What’s Next Package” are posted in the google classroom.

Guidance will share an abbreviated version of this presentation at school council on Monday, October 16 in the Learning Commons at 7:00 pm

Students are also welcome to make an appointment as a “Grade 12 Interview” to ask questions in preparation for their applications. Students received their Ontario Student Status (OSS), they are encouraged to check and review that everything is in order, including their required credits, 40 Hours of Community Involvement, Literacy Test and postsecondary requirements.

YRDSB POSTSECONDARY FAIRS

School(s) Hosting	Date & Time	Location
Ontario Universities Fair	October 21-22, 2023, from 10 am to 5 pm	Metro Toronto Convention Centre, South Building
Ontario Colleges	October 18 & 19	Enercare Centre Exhibition Place, Toronto
Level Up- Apprenticeship Fair		
Bill Hogarth, Markham & Stouffville	Thurs October 26 @ 6-8pm Markham District High School	Markham District
Hodan Nalayeh	October 26th - 3:30 to 6:30	Hodan Nalayeh S.S.
Bill Crothers, Markville & Unionville	November 8, 2023 6:30pm to 8:30pm	Unionville H.S.
Alexander Mackenzie, Bayview, Maple, Stephen Lewis, Westmount	November 9th - 6:00-8:00	Stephen Lewis Secondary School
Thornhill	October 18th, 2:00 - 4:00pm	Thornhill H.S.
Emily Carr, Tommy Douglas & Woodbridge	Thursday, November 16th, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m	Emily Carr S.S.
Middlefield	November 15th - 6:30 to 8:30	Middlefield C.I.
Keswick, Sutton DHS and Our Lady of the Lake	November 9th - time TBD	Keswick H.S.

News From Guidance Continues

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[Click here for details regarding the Ontario Universities Fair:](#)

**October 21-22, 2023,
10 am to 5 pm (ET), daily**

Metro Toronto Convention Centre,
South Building

Virtual events:

Wednesday, November 22

5-7 pm (ET)

Ontario College Fair

In the GTA? You might want to check out the Ontario College Fair, the largest stop on the CIP Tour.

Enercare Centre

Exhibition Place, Toronto

October 18-19, 2023

To learn more about it, visit the OCF website.

Do you need a computer?



1. Open camera on phone
2. Hold camera up to QR code above
3. Click link that appears on your screen

Renewed Computer Technology (RCT) is a not-for-profit, charitable organization that empowers learners, educators and not-for-profit organizations with increased access to information and communications technology (ICT), skill development and learning opportunities, in a socially and environmentally responsible manner.

Working with **York Region District School Board** we are offering affordable, renewed computer packages.

You can apply for this program if you are:

A resident of Ontario and you are an individual with limited income.

Parents or legal guardians may apply on behalf of a child or youth under the age of 18.

We offer 1 computer, per family, with a limit of 2 per household per year.

For more information, please contact:

Alexander Oliver
RCT Community Engagement Lead
AOliver@rcto.ca

All systems include our
STANDARD 1 YEAR DEPOT WARRANTY

*batteries not covered by warranty

We have Desktop Packages from \$75.00 to \$160.00.
Plus \$50.00 to ship the computer to your home.



You get - a desktop complete with Windows 10 and MS Office 2019 - Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and OneNote plus learning software, monitor, keyboard and mouse

We have Laptop Packages from \$140.00 to \$275.00.
Plus \$40.00 to ship the computer to your home.



You get - a laptop complete with Windows 10 and MS Office 2019 - Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and OneNote plus learning software

*Computers may not appear exactly as shown

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Visit Us Online @ www.RCTO.ca

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Renewed Computer Technology

Application Check-List



You can begin to apply for a computer on: September 21st, 2023
Application deadline: November 23rd, 2023

1. Open camera on phone
2. Hold camera up to QR code above
3. Click link that appears on your screen

Group Name: YRDSB | **Group Code:** G-YRDSB23

How to fill out your application

Scan QR code OR access application using the link your organization provided

Section A

Group Name: YRDSB

Group Code: G-YRDSB23

Name of School: *Please enter the name of the student's school*

Section B

This section does not apply to you.

Section C

I would like to pick up my computer in Mississauga RCT Warehouse (\$0.00 Shipping fee)

OR

I would like to order a laptop, please ship my computer to my home (\$40.00 shipping fee)

OR

I would like to order a desktop, please ship my computer to my home (\$50.00 shipping fee)

OR

I am part of the York Region District School Board Group order (\$20.00)

Section D

Pick your computer package and method of payment.

Our partner organization will need proof of eligibility (one of the following) before you can apply for a computer.

Proof of Financial Status (one of the following)

- Canada Revenue Agency Notice of Assessment (most recent)
- Ontario Works Statement (Social Assistance)
- OSAP Statement of Funding
- Refugee Payment Received from government
- Letter from school supporting the application
- EI Benefit Statement
- ODSP (Disability Benefits)
- Second Career

Payment

You will have the following online payment options when completing your order:

- Credit/Debit Card
- Money Order or Certified Cheque
- A Third Party will be Paying (Ex. Ontario Works)

Certified Cheques should be made to: Renewed Computer Technology

The applicant's name must be added in the memo field. When you come to pick up your computer, please bring a government photo ID.

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SOAR Secondary Program In Class



Register

Contact Rachel Liscio
905-884-7933 ext. 6
rachel.liscio@ldays.org

The program is presented in
class

4 - 6 participants
4 Sessions

Pricing

Please inquire within

For Students Grade 11-12

who have been identified with a Learning Disability and/or ADHD and are transitioning into post secondary and/or the workplace. The foundation of this program is built on the development of self advocacy skills, such skills that will benefit the participant both academically and vocationally. Information will also be given on how to transition from post-secondary and/or the workplace, along with assistance for making academic and career choices with a greater potential for success.

Learning Objectives:

- Learning styles and understanding areas of LD and/or ADHD
- Strategies for organizational and time management skills
- Building study skills and exam preparation
- Self-advocacy and social skills
- Transitioning into the workplace, college, or university
- Pre-employment and job skills

9040 Leslie Street, Suite 208 Richmond Hill, ON L4B 3M4

Phone: (905) 884-7933 | Fax: (905) 770 9377 | Email: info@ldays.org | Website: www.ldays.org

What's Next? Life After High School

Parent/Caregiver workshop of Teens with a Developmental Disability, ages 15-18



This series of five workshops has been adapted from the University of Wisconsin's "Transitioning Together" program. Parents and caregivers may choose to attend as many sessions as desired.

Our goal is to empower parents/caregivers and teens to develop the skills needed to make the leap from secondary school to adult life. This may benefit families directly by learning new skills and acquiring knowledge related to navigating the transition to adulthood in areas such as employment, post-secondary education, and relationships. Parents may experience decreases in general stress, and increases in family empowerment, and quality of life.



YSSN is a hub for Developmental, Mental Health and Children's Services that helps people to navigate services to live their best life.

YSSN.ca



Event Details

Location: virtual

Dates and Times:

6:00pm – 7:30pm

- October 5: Transition to Adulthood and Caregiver Wellness
- October 12: Empowering Self-Advocacy and Motivating Your Teen
- October 19: Employment and Community Involvement
- October 26: Options for Continuing Education
- November 2: Financial Topics and Fostering Independence

Who Should Attend?

FREE For Parents/Caregivers of teens with a Developmental Disability, ages 15-18.

Click Here to Register for One or More Sessions:

[registration link](#)

NEWS FOR COMMUNITY

TCCSA YORK CENTRE PROGRAMS FOR NEWCOMER YOUTH & CHILDREN OCTOBER 2023

Keep an Eye Out for this Symbol!
Volunteer Hours Can Be Earned Upon
Program Completion



PROGRAM	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	TARGET AUDIENCE	LOCATION	REGISTRATION & INQUIRY
Python Mastery Quest Saturday, October 7 to December 9 6:00pm - 7:30pm	<i>This comprehensive program is designed to provide beginners with a solid foundation in python programming, going through foundational topics from variables to loops to methods, and culminates with a final project!</i>	All Newcomers are Welcomed Language English, Dari, Pashto, Ukrainian & Mandarin	Online Zoom	Mohammad Elias Saleh (905) 948-1671 msaleh@tccsa.org WeChat: TCCSAISAP
Afterschool Recreation Delight Every Thursday, October 12 to December 21 4:30pm - 6:00pm	<i>This program will provide a wide range of recreational activities, games, and creative play, participants have the opportunity to unwind, socialize, and develop valuable life skills in a safe and supportive environment.</i>	Newcomer Children (Grade 1-8) Language: English, Mandarin & Cantonese	In-person Program at Aaniin Community Centre (Address: 5665 14th Ave. Markham ON L3S 3K5) Hybrid option is available	Hoi-Pui Chan (905) 948-1671 hchan@tccsa.org WeChat: TCCSAISAP
Volunteer Needed for Homework Buddies Tuesday, October 17, 2023 4:30pm - 6:00pm	<i>We are looking for dedicated high school students interested in being homework mentors for newcomer students at Red Maple Public School. You will gain volunteer hours and valuable experience to add to your resumes!</i>	Highschool Students Volunteer Hours Can Be Earned Upon Program Completion Language: English, Mandarin & Cantonese	In-person Program at Red Maple Public School (Address: 155 Red Maple Rd, Richmond Hill, ON L4B 4P9)	Hoi-Pui Chan (905) 948-1671 hchan@tccsa.org WeChat: TCCSAISAP
Homework Club Every Tuesday & Thursday October 17 to November 16 4:00pm - 5:00pm	<i>We offer a supportive and productive space for children to complete their assignments and develop good study habits.</i>	Newcomer Children (Grade 1-8) Languages: English & Ukrainian	Online Zoom	Veronika Sotula (905) 948-1671 vsotula@tccsa.org WeChat: TCCSAISAP
Homework Buddies Every Tuesday, October 24, 2023 to January 30, 2024 (Except December 26, 2023) 3:00pm - 4:30pm	<i>With the support of high school student volunteers, we offer FREE homework support to children from Grade 1 to Grade 8. English language learners are welcome!</i>	Newcomer Children (Grade 1-8) Language: English, Mandarin & Cantonese	In-person Program at Red Maple Public School (Address: 155 Red Maple Rd, Richmond Hill, ON L4B 4P9)	Hoi-Pui Chan (905) 948-1671 hchan@tccsa.org WeChat: TCCSAISAP



In-person Program at:
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 3636 Steeles Ave. E Unit 213A
 Markham On L3R1K9



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 and Citizenship Canada

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 et Citoyenneté Canada

NYCS 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 14-18, build community connections, find peer support and enhance leadership & employment skills.

Join NYCS & Get:

- Career exploration workshops
- Group mentoring with university students and young professionals
- Certification Training in CPR, Babysitting and Customer Service
- Info about Canadian colleges & universities
- Valuable workplace skills for your resume
- Volunteer opportunities related to potential careers
- The chance to meet new friends and grow your social circle *...and more!*

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



Get Connected



To register, send an email to : aneta.iliyaev@jvstoronto.org

Open to newcomer youth 14-18 who have a PR Card, Convention Refugee Status, and CUAET.
A computer and internet access are required. Links and instructions provided upon registration.



2024 March of the Living

Calling all Grade 11 and 12 students! Join the March of the Living for the journey of a lifetime to Poland and Israel to learn about the Jewish communities of pre-war Europe, the Holocaust, and the establishment of the State of Israel.

PROGRAM DATES

May 1-15, 2024*

*Dates are subject to change

REGISTER TODAY

Registration is open!
September 20-October 30

Scan the QR code to register
or visit marchofthelivingcanada.org.



Students are eligible to earn a high school U credit for their participation in the March of the Living. Visit torahhigh.org to learn more.



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We are excited to invite all Latine/o/a/x identifying families and staff to join us for a

Latin Heritage Month Meet-and-Greet

Bienvenidos! The York Region District School Board's Latine Educators Network is hosting its first meet and greet for all Latine/o/a/x families and staff.

You can look forward to community booths hosted by CCSY (Catholic Community Services of York Region) as well as music, fun activities for the whole family and an opportunity to meet other Latine/Latino families.

Please join us on
October 19, 2023
from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
at
Julliard Public School
61 Julliard Dr, Maple, ON L6A 3W7

For questions, please email
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anajulia.gonzalez@yrdsb.ca