

Monday,

April 29th

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May 1st

PARENT BULLE

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ATTENDANCE REMINDER

Parents/Guardians are reminded to report all late or absent notices to the Attendance Office by calling 905-294-1886, option 1 or emailing markham.dhs@yrdsb.ca

Should your student be absent for more than 3 days, an extended absence form must be signed by each subject teacher, parent/guardian and the Vice-Principal prior to leaving for the extended absence.

Week of April 29th -May 3rd, 2019

May Day Ticket Sales April 23rd to May 1st in the Blue Zone 10:55 am to 1:35 pm Art group to Newmarket Old Town Hall, leaving MDHS at 8:00 am, leaving location at 3:00 pm - Ms. Rosalle Mock Trail Club to Judges Cup Round 1 at Newmarket Court House from 12: 10 pm-8:30 pm—Mrs. Sharma Slam Poetry Competition – Finals, 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the cafetorium—Mrs. Pascual Me to We-Relay for Life, all day-Mr. Morris Math group to CEC North for Waterloo Contest, leaving MDHS at 9:00 am, leaving location at 2:30 pm Wellness Group to Copperwood Trail, leaving MDHS at 9:30 am, leaving location at 2:00 pm Mock Trail Club to Judges Cup Round 2 at Newmarket Court House from 4:00-8:30 pm - Mrs. Sharma Full disclosure for Semester 2 courses

Best Buddies Prom at Le Parc, leaving MDHS at 9:30 am, leaving location at 2:00 pm -Ms. Ip and Ms. Puri Thursday, Classics Club to Classic Conference at Brock University, leaving MDHS at 7:00 am, leaving location Sunday, May 2nd

- May 5th, 8:30 am—Mr. McLaren SAC May Day Event—Modified Schedule:
- ⇒ Period 1—8:10 am—9:25 am

- Mr. Raffoul

- Mrs. Sebastian

- \Rightarrow Period 2—9:30 am—10:40 am
- ⇒ Period 3—10:45 am—11:55 am Lunch/May Day
- ⇒ May Day—11:55 am—12:25 pm Common Lunch
- ⇒ Period 4—12:25 pm—1:35 pm Lunch/May Day
- ⇒ Period 5—1:40 pm—2:50 pm

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Last Day for Prom Ticket Sales

- DECA group returns from ICDC in Orlando, Florida
- School Council Presents "Screenagers" in the Library, 6:00 pm-9:00 pm see attached flyer on page 9

Girls Flag Football team to Ottawa for tournament, returning Friday, May 3rd—Mr. Hartslief Science group to York University, leaving MDHS at 7:30 am, leaving location at 3:30 pm - Ms. Ho

Friday, May 3rd

Friday,

May 10th

Professional Activity Day—No Classes

<u>Week of May 6th-10th, 2019</u>		
	 SAC Election Blitz week Mental Health Awareness Week Arts Week 	
Monday, May 6th	 SHSM group at Concussion Management Workshop, during period 4 & 5 in library—Mr. Weinstein Girls Soccer Team to Milliken Mills, leaving MDHS at 2:40 pm, game at 4:00 pm, leaving location at 5:00 pm 	
	- Ms. Liu	
Tuesday, May 7th	 Senior Flag Football Team to Dr. J.M Denison S.S, leaving MDHS at 8:00 am, leaving location at 5:10 pm- Mr. Hartslief 	
	• Physics 1 AP Exam (12:00 pm-4:00 pm) - Room 248-Mrs.Hubbell	
	• "Jack Talk" Presentation, 1:45 pm to 2:50 pm in the cafetorium—Mrs. McGill & Ms. Towns	
	 Mock Trail Club to Judges Cup Finals at Newmarket Court House from 4:00-8:30 pm-Mrs. Sharma 	
Wednesday,	Reptilia presentation, 8:10 am to 12:15 pm in the Library—Ms. Thomas	
May 8th	• Ultimate Team to Bill Crothers S.S, leaving MDHS at 3:00 pm, games 3:45 pm & 4:45 pm. leaving location at 6:00 pm - Ms. Morrison	
	Spring Music Concert at Markham Theatre, show starts at 7:30 pm (first evening)	
Thursday,	Track and Field team to Bill Crothers S.S., all day—Ms. Whittaker	
May 9th	• AP Chemistry Exam (8:00 am –12 pm) in Room 248—Mrs. Hubbell	
	SHSM group to Centennial Progress Campus, leaving MDHS at 8:30am, leaving location at 3:00 pm - Mr.	

Spring Music Concert at Markham Theatre, show starts at 7:30 pm (last evening)

SAC Election Assembly Dress Rehearsal, 3:00~pm-5:00~pm in cafetorium—Mr. Macdonald/Mr. Raffoul/Ms.

SAC Election Assemblies, 8:10-10:50 am in the cafetorium—Mr. Macdonald/Mr. Raffoul/Ms. Diceman

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Messages from Guidance

OUAC and OCAS marks were transmitted this past week. Please ensure that your student's account is reflecting accurate information. If there is a discrepancy, please have your student speak to their guidance counsellor asap.

Summer School

Summer School information is available on the YRDSB website.

Summer School

Eligible Students: Grades 9 to 12 **Acceleration** - July 3 to 26 (Bussing is not provided) Youth Innovation by Design (IDC4U or IDC4O)

Reinforcement (Only for students who have not successfully earned the credit) -Session 1, July 3 to 15; Session 2, July 16 to 26

Students must use myPathway Planner to register for in-class summer school: https://mypathwayplanner.yrdsb.ca/ Students should reference the My Pathway Planner and Secondary Online Course Selection

Summer School e-learning

Eligible Students: Grades 10 to 12 **Program Dates**: July 2 - 25

Students can find out about course offering and register for summer e-learning using the following: http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/e- learning/programs/Pages/Summer-Registration.aspx.

Students should consider consulting with their guidance counselor regarding summer school courses regarding:

1. Eligibility

2. The process if they have already selected their desired summer school course for next September 3. Informing their counselor if registering for an e-learning course as counselors must know to provide the required approval (if the student is eligible for that course).

Key information for summer school:

EMAIL ADDRESS

Applications that include inappropriate email addresses will NOT be processed. Include an alternate email address with a different provider on the application. If your primary email address is with **hotmail**, provide an alternate with **gmail** or another email provider. Unfortunately, there have been many instances of emails not going through to hotmail accounts.

ATTENDANCE

In person attendance for all MANDATORY face-to-face activities at the scheduled date, time and location is required. No exceptions allowed for MANDATORY events.

TIME COMMITMENT and Dates

A minimum of 8-10 hours of study time per day is required. 1 course = 8-10 hrs/DAY

At most 1 full credit course may be taken during the summer session.

Mandatory exam attendance in person at Dr. Bette Stephenson Centre for Learning on: July 11, 2019 3:00 - 4:30 PM for Session 1 CHV2O & GLC2O, July 23, 2019 3:00 - 4:30 PM for Session 2 CHV2O & GLC2O and July 23, 2019 3:00 - 4:30 PM for all full credit courses.

NEW Summer Dual credit courses

YRDSB students have an opportunity to participate in the NEW Summer Dual credit courses! Courses are taking place from July 2-26, 2019 at both Seneca College (York University campus) and Centennial College (Story Arts Centre and Progress Campus). Please see guidance for details about both the course offerings and schedule.

How to register:

- 1. Ensure that you meet the dual credit eligibility criteria: Students should be currently in grade 11 or 12.
 - $2.\ Complete\ an\ online\ application\ using\ your\ GAPPS\ account\ bit.ly/yrdsbsummerdc$
- 3. Students will receive a copy of their completed application in their GAPPS email. You will also receive a link to fill in the accompanying college application. Signed and completed summer school applications and college applications should be returned to your guidance counselor.

Students are encouraged to register as soon as possible as seats for each of the courses is limited. Similar to College delivered Dual credits offered in the school year, transportation costs will be covered using the best transportation mode available.

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Message from SHSM

Students should CHECK their Gapps email as well as the SHSM bulletin board outside of guidance for exciting opportunities. Students can pick up permission forms for field trips in guidance and return them to guidance with the appropriate signatures in a timely manner.

Students are expected to attend field trips that they commit to unless there are extenuating circumstances. Please contact Mr. Weisntein if that is going to be the case. Students who do not attend may be preventing other students from participating in that opportunity!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the following PLANNED FIELD TRIPS FOR 2019:

April 30: Copperwood Trail "Equine Assisted Learning" (Health & Wellness & Non-Profit) May 6: Concussion Management - pm only (Any interested student) May 9: Women in Skilled Trades Symposium at Centennial College (interested female students)

A reminder to all Grade 12 SHSM students to check that you are in a position to earn your Red Seal. If you are missing a certification, time is running out to earn them. If you are missing other SHSM requirements (e.g. courses), inquire to see if you are able to complete these requirements. Some colleges and universities (e.g. Brock, University of Guelph-Humber, McMaster) offer scholarships to students in SHSM who complete their Red Seal.

Grade 10 students interested in registering for SHSM for next year, feel free to speak to Mr. Weinstein for information or visit: https://www.mdhsco-op.com/ (there is a direct link to SHSM and the application) or use the bit.ly shown below.

Students are encouraged to complete their applications for next year and may participate in some of the activities scheduled for this year.

- 1. bit.ly/YRDSBSHSMapp
- 2. Complete the application and submit
- 3. Print from your gapps email
- 4. Obtain parent/guardian signature and return

Centreline Flexible Sign Program in School Zones

Please be advised that the City of Markham will be initiating its annual Centreline Flexible Sign Program at 32 school Zones across the city this spring, pending suitable weather conditions.

The Program is aimed at increasing driver awareness and reducing vehicle speeds approaching school zones. The installation of the signs narrow the travel lane and create a traffic calming effect, thereby reducing vehicle speeds as they approach the school zone on Church Street. Evaluation of prior installations has confirmed that the devices are equally effective as other traditional traffic calming initiatives. - City of Markham

Message from the Library

The Library will be showing films from the in-school programme of the Canadian International Documentary Film Festival from Tuesday, April 23 to Tuesday, May 7.

Students may attend with a class or may sign up individually during their lunch or when they have a spare. The films to be shown are:

> Finding Vivian Maier Inventing Tomorrow Nellie Bly Makes the News Soul on Ice: Past, Present and Future Soundtrack for a Revolution The Staging Post What Tomorrow Brings Standing Rock, Part 1: Sacred Water Standing Rock, part 2: Red Power.

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International and Indigenous Languages (IIL) Program- Credit Courses

Students can earn credits while learning a language. International and Indigenous Languages offers over 15 languages for students in Grades 9 to 12. Level 3 language credit courses can even be counted towards college and university acceptance.

For the upcoming 2019/2020 school year, we are excited to announce that the Indigenous languages, Ojibwe and Cree, will be offered.

Please see our credit course offerings on our website: IIL Credit Program

Interested in getting volunteer hours? Students can earn up to 40 hours of community service in our program towards graduation requirements. Please send us an e-mail to request information about student volunteer opportunities: international.languages@yrdsb.ca

Registration for YRDSB Students

 $The \ course \ offerings \ and \ sites \ are \ available \ on \ \underline{My \ Pathway \ Planner} \ login \ page. \ Students \ can \ register \ through \ My \ Pathway \ Planner \ from \ May \ Planner \ from \ Planner \ from \ May \ Planner \ from \ Planne$ 1s until September 11s. For assistance, view the My Pathway Planner Tip Sheet. Print a copy of the sign-off sheet and obtain parent/ guardian signature before submitting the registration form on the first day of classes at the selected language site.

If you do not have the opportunity to register through 'My Pathway Planner' before September 11th, 2019, please download a registration form from this website: (http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/ConEd/Documents/FOR-nonYRRegistration.pdf). Please complete the registration form and submit it to the selected language site on the day of registration. Dates are available in the Credit Program Flyer: IIL Credit

Please do not hesitate to e-mail us if you have any questions: international.languages@yrdsb.ca.

Business Department News

Ontario Business Educators Association (OBEA):

The Accounting Contest sponsored by the OBEA will be held on May 22, 2019 during school hours. The contest is 100 multiple choice questions which students have 1.5 hours to complete. This contest will be held at Markham District High School and students who are currently enrolled in a grade 11 or 12 Accounting course, or have successfully completed either of these courses in semester 1 are eligible to compete. Interested students should see Mrs. Lovell in room 228.

Waterloo Financial Literacy Competition:

Each semester the University of Waterloo holds a financial literacy competition which is open to students who have or are currently enrolled in BBI2O1 - Introduction to Business. The contest which will be held on May 14, 2019, during school hours is open to Grade 9, 10 and 11 students and offers prizes at two levels; Junior (Grades 9 and 10) and Senior (Grade 11). Students will be challenged with 60 questions (primarily multiple choice, sort/match/rank, fill in the blank) in 60 minutes covering financial literacy topics in the areas of accounting, economics, investing, banking, budgeting and income management, credit, home ownership, post-secondary education financing and financial safety and ethics.

If your child is interested in competing please have them see Mrs. Lovell in room 228. To help your child prepare for this competition, please make sure they are registered before the competition to be able to access the valuable on-line quizzes and workbooks provided by the University of Waterloo.

City of Markham Business Opportunities:

Young Entrepreneurs, Make your Pitch, Markham Business Plan Competition, and Ontario Summer Company. These opportunities are aimed at fostering youth entrepreneurial spirit.

Message from DECA

DECA's International Career Development Conference is from April 25-May 2 in Orlando, Florida. Markham DHS has 9 DECA members representing our school and DECA-Ontario at this competition. Good Luck MDHS!

Student Council Elections for 2019 - 2020: Important Dates

If your son or daughter is interested in getting involved with Student Council next year, here are some very important dates for you. Please note that prospective candidates must attend one of the information sessions as the application process has changed from last year. A description of all SAC positions will be made available to prospective candidates.

April 29 th	Copies of speeches and videos are due to Teacher Advisors by 3:00 pm. NO EXTENSIONS
May 6 th – 9 th	Blitz Week – candidates running for elected positions campaign this week.
Date TBA	Interviews after school for candidates applying for an appointed position. Interview schedule will be posted the week before.
May 9 th	Mandatory dress rehearsal after school for all elected candidates.
May 10 th	Election assemblies & voting by students.

If you or your son / daughter have any questions or concerns, please contact one of the SAC Teacher Advisors: Mr. Macdonald, Ms. Llaneta, Mr. Raffoul, Ms. Diceman.

POST-SECONDARY TRANSITION WORKSHOP FOR STUDENTS WITH IEP'S Thursday, June 6, 2019 6:00pm - 7:00pm MDHS Library

Markham District High School will be hosting a transitions workshop for students with IEP's entering post secondary institutions.

During the evening you will learn about the following;

- Learn about how to access supports- financially, emotionally and academically
- Information on what documentation is needed
- Transition challenges
- Student Panel
- Q & A session

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Kerry's Place Autism Services & Community Living York South Present the following workshop:

Understanding Sensory Processing

Do you ever wonder how sensory needs affect people with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)? Do you see or experience behaviours that just don't make sense?

It may be sensory related!

Many people with ASD process sensory information from the world around them differently from others. Come to this informative workshop to learn more about the sensory system and how it affects people with ASD every day. Come and learn how to support yourself/your child day to day, with a variety of examples and sensory strategies.

Date: Tuesday May 7, 2019 Time: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Location: Richmond Hill Welcome Centre

9325 Yonge St. #31a. Richmond Hill

This workshop is being offered in both English and Cantonese

If registering for the English Session, please visit www.kerrysplace.org/calendar or call 905-713-6808 ext-attack 350

If registering for the Cantonese Session, please contact Annie Zhang, Community Support Coordinator at azhang@communitylivingyorksouth.ca or call 905-294-4971 or 1-877-737-3475 ext. 382



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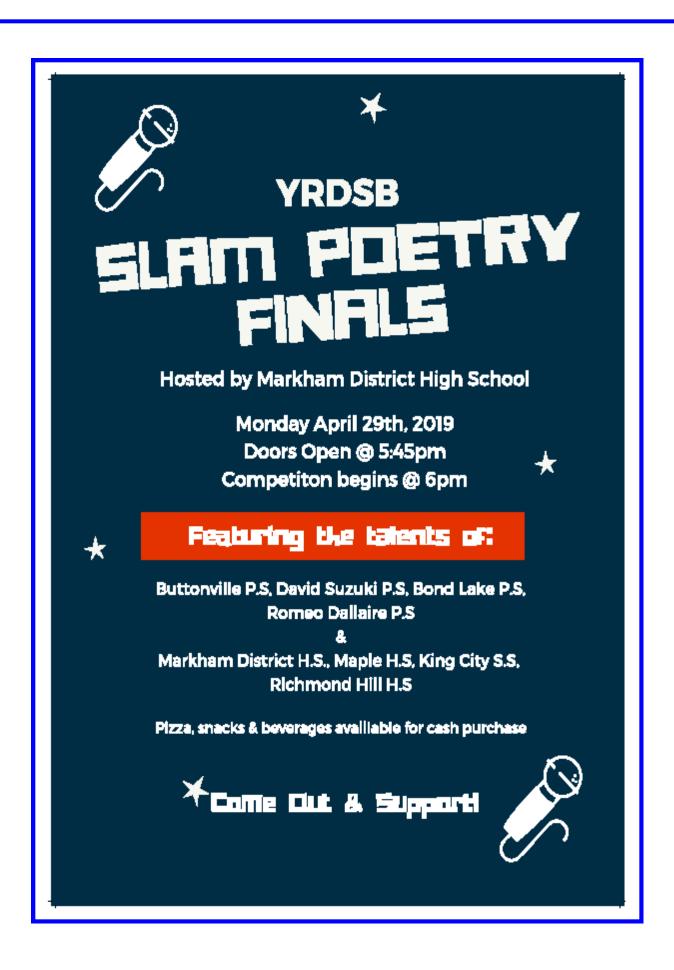
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MDHS' Slam Poetry team has been rocking competitions this year, coming in first place at both the Quarter Finals and the Semi Finals!

Our team is now headed to the **YRDSB Slam Poetry Finals**, which we're hosting here at MDHS this **Monday April 29th**. The cafeteria doors will open at 5:45 pm, and the competition will begin at 6 pm. Below is a poster with the event details.

There are 8 teams competing in this final competition from both the elementary and secondary panel. Markham District will be competing against Maple, King City, and Richmond Hill. Team members **Hannah Flores, Erum Naqvi, Sydney Baxter and Ali Jafri** are incredible.





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Mindfulness Workshops

When

Tuesday, May 28, 2019 from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM EDT Add to Calendar

Where

York Support Services Network 240 Edward St. Unit 3

Aurora, ON L4G 3S9

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Feeling stressed and overwhelmed? Join us.

Our 4-day Mindfulness Workshops available every Tuesday, starting May 28 to June 18, 2019, will teach you how to reduce stress, increase resiliency, improve relationships and regulate emotions. Core concepts of mindfulness will be explored through meditation and mindful exercises. All levels of experience are welcome.

Register before May 21, 2019, by clicking on the Register Now! link below:

Register Now!

I can't make it

Please contact me for more information about the workshops.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,

Esther Kearney

York Support Services Network

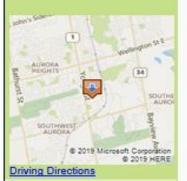
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905.898.6455 ext. 2227

YSSN is a scent sensitive environment. Please avoid using scents (e.g. perfumes, colognes, lotions, scented hair products, scented soaps, etc.) when participating in our workshops and programs, and visiting our offices.

YSSN Information Fair

York Support Services Network 240-3 Edward St. Aurora, ON



Join us on Wednesday, May 8, 2019, and get information on mental health support and developmental services offered by York Support Services Network (YSSN) across York Region and South Simcoe.

Representatives will be available to answer your questions on the following services and programs:

Mental health crisis and recovery support

- Case Management
- Community Crisis Response Service, 1-855-310-COPE
- Peer Support
- Streamlined Access

Developmental services

- Case Management
- · Children's Case Coordination
- · Crisis Response Network
- Developmental Services Ontario Central East Region (DSO CER)
- · Family Peer Mentor Support
- Passport Program
 Respite Services
- Transition Planning

Date and Time:

Wednesday, May 8, 2019, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Location:

York Support Services Network 240 Edward St., Unit 3, Aurora ON

Register Now!

I can't make it

Alternatively you can leave us a message at 905-898-6455 ext. 2274 or email us at dsinfosessions@yssn.ca if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

York Support Services Network



Are you watching kids scroll through life, with their rapid-fire thumbs and a six-second attention span? Physician and filmmaker Delaney Ruston saw that with her own kids and learned that the average kid spends 6.5 hours a day looking at screens. She wondered about the impact of all this time and about the friction occurring in homes and schools around negotiating screen time - friction she knew all too well.

In SCREEN AGERS, as with her award-winning documentaries on mental health, Delaney takes a deeply personal approach as she probes into the vulnerable corners of family life, including her own, to explore struggles over social media, video games, academics and internet addiction. Through poignant, and unexpectedly funny stories, along with surprising insights from authors, psychologists, and brain scientists, **SCREENAGERS** reveals how tech time impacts kids' development and offers solutions on how adults can empower kids to best navigate the digital world and find balance.

When: Thursday, May 2nd from 7-9 pm

Where: Markham District High School 89 Church Street, Markham, L3P2M3

Children 12 and older are welcome to accompany their parents/guardians to the screening.

Join us after the event for a question and answer session.

This event has been organized by the Markham District High School Council, supported by a Ministry of Education Parents Reaching Out grants.

Please RSVP your attendance Tuesday, April 30th to https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T5YSYKS

Drinks and refreshments will be served.

Support the School Council Markham District High School

MDHS School Council is accepting donations throughout the school year. So it's never too late, and we will be tremendously thankful for your monetary contribution.

In the past your contributions were very helpful for the following $\, \dots \,$

Ensuring inclusiveness by supporting students requiring financial assistance for school events.

Organizing parent/student expert information sessions re: cyber safety, social media and student wellness.

Displaying signage encouraging awareness re: transportation to and from school.

Your support of the MDHS School Council is needed to ensure we can continue to improve student learning and to develop a shared sense of accountability for the public education system among both parents and educators. While we continue to support the above initiatives, we also need funds to assist with school safety initiatives and technology.

Your donation can be made through <u>School Cash Online</u>. In the "Gift Information" section, please ensure you select "<u>MARKHAM D.H.S.-E404"</u> to ensure the funds are allocated to the <u>MDHS School Council</u>.

To make a donation, please click the 'Make Donation' icon in Cash online screen and follow the instructions.



Thank you for your continued support!

 $You will be provided with a tax \ receipt for your \ donation \ over \$ \ 25.00, \ as \ the \ Board \ is \ a \ registered \ Canadian \ Charitable \ organization.$