



PARENT BULLETIN

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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.

Exam schedule for June 2019 can be found at <http://www.markhamdistrict.hs.yrdsb.ca> under News and Events-Exam Schedule. The cafeteria will be closed starting June 19th.


Week of June 10-14, 2019

Monday, June 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Athletic Banquet, 6:00 pm at Crystal Fountain Banquet Hall
Tuesday, June 11th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Fandom Club Movie Night (Spirited Away), in the Drama Room 3:00 pm to 6:00-Mr. AveryGrade 12 Music Recital Night, 6:30 pm at the Markham Baptist Church
Wednesday, June 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 9 EQAO Math Assessment, first daySenior Drama Show, 7:00 pm in Room #151, first day-Ms. Duncan
Thursday, June 13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 9 EQAO Math Assessment, last dayLast day for Gr.10-12 in-class summatives for courses with examsTherapy Dogs Visit, during periods 3 and 4 in room 113 – Mrs. McGillClassics Barbeque, outside near the portables (east side of building), 3:00 pm –6:00 pm-Mr. McLarenSenior Drama Show, 7:00 pm in Room #151, last day-Ms. Duncan
Friday, June 14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

Week of June 17-21, 2019

Monday, June 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Regular schedule of classes for all grades
Tuesday, June 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">EXAM DAY-Period 3 <u>Grade 12 only</u>-No Regular Grade 12 classes. These Exams begin at 11:00 amGrade 9-11 classes are schedule as per normal. Attendance will be taken.
Wednesday, June 19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">EXAM DAY-Period 5 - Grade 9-12 Exams begin at 8:30 am as per exam schedule
Thursday, June 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">EXAM DAY-Period 2 - Grade 9-12 Exams begin at 8:30 am as per exam schedule
Friday, June 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none">EXAM DAY-Period 1– Grade 9-12 Exams begin at 8:30 am as per exam schedule

Looking ahead: Week of June 24-28, 2019

Monday, June 24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">EXAM DAY-Period 4-Grade 9-12 Exams begin at 8:30 am as per exam schedule																
Tuesday, June 25th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">EXAM DAY-Period 3-Grade 9-12 Exams begin at 8:30 am as per exam scheduleSpring 2020 History Tour of France, Blegium and the Netherlands parent information meeting, 7:00 pm in library. –Mr. Morris and Ms. Towns																
Wednesday, June 26th	<div><div></div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">EXAM REVIEW DAY-All Grades This is a modified school day. This is the only opportunity for students to review their final summatives and examinations with their teachers. <u>Attendance will be taken</u>. The schedule is as follows:</div></div> <table><tr><th>Period</th><th>Time</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>8:10 a.m. – 8:40 a.m.</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>8:45 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>9:20 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>9:55 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.</td></tr><tr><td>Lunch</td><td>11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.</td></tr><tr><td>12:15 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.</td><td>Individual interviews with students and/or parents upon request</td></tr></table> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 12 Graduation: 7:00 pm at Springvale Baptist Church 3885 Stouffville Road, Stouffville	Period	Time	1	8:10 a.m. – 8:40 a.m.	2	8:45 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	3	9:20 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.	4	9:55 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.	5	10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Lunch	11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	12:15 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	Individual interviews with students and/or parents upon request
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Message From Our Trustee

As we near the end of the school year, this is a good time to celebrate all your child has learned and achieved. I hope that you have seen evidence of their growth and learning throughout the year.

Supporting the well-being and achievement of our students is a partnership with families and communities, and I want to thank you for all that you do to help strengthen our schools and support your child's learning. We know that when you ask your child about their learning, help them make connections or participate in school events, our students and our schools benefit.

I look forward to continuing to build relationships with families over the summer months and in the 2019-2020 school year. As we go into the summer, there are many opportunities to continue supporting your child's learning - whether helping to plan a family trip, visiting a local museum, reading a book or participating in one of the many exciting [summer learning programs](#) offered through the Board. I hope that whatever you have planned, you have a safe and enjoyable summer.

I would also like to offer a special congratulations to the graduating class of 2019. We wish you all the very best as you move on to this next phase of your life. We look forward to welcoming back all of our new and returning families in the fall.

A [message from the Chair of the Board of Trustees](#) is also available on the Board website at www.yrdsb.ca.

Allen Tam
Trustee

History in the Making:

Join the History Department during the spring of 2020, as they tour France, Belgium & the Netherlands, in commemoration of the 75th Anniversary of the Liberation of the Netherlands. A parent & participant information meeting and registration will take place on Tuesday June 25th, at 7:00 pm in the Library.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact either of us here at MDHS.

Ms. Towns
kristin.towns@yrdsb.ca

Mr. Morris
gregory.morris@yrdsb.ca

For those students who provided an **Epi-pen or other Medications** to the main office at the beginning of the year, please have the items picked up by June 26th, otherwise they will be disposed of as we do not retain them in the office.

Lost and Found

We have lots of items in the lost and found box in the main office. Please have your children check the box. Also, please ask the receptionist for small items such as eyeglasses, jewelry and hearing aid.



Markham Tennis Club is looking for Students to work afternoons and weekends at the Markham Tennis Club. Any interested students can contact the Guidance Department or Mr. Feasby in the Physical Ed. Department for more information.



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Wednesday, May 22, 2019

Dear Guardians/Parents:

Re: Therapy Dog Program at MDHS

On Thursday, June 13th, Markham District High School will be hosting the St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog Program during the lunch periods in room 113.

The purpose of the Therapy Dog program is to provide stress and anxiety relief for our students as we approach semester one exams. Students will be able to talk with a St. John Ambulance volunteer and pet/cuddle the dog.

As outlined by the St. John Ambulance website, the program offers many benefits to students including comfort and calming, improved self confidence and esteem, stress relief and distraction from pain.

If your child has a sensitivity, allergy or fear of dogs, please have them enter and exit the building through our parking lot entrance. The dogs will only be on the school premises during our lunch period from 11:00 am - 1:15 pm, where they will be supervised and contained in room 113.

For further information on the Therapy Dog Program, please visit The St. John Ambulance website, www.sja.ca, or contact our Guidance office at (905)294-1886.

Sincerely,

Gabrielle McGill
Head of Guidance and Career Education
Markham District High School



St. John Ambulance
SAVING LIVES
at work, home and play



REGISTER NOW!
EARLY BIRD DEADLINE:
MAY 24, 2019
\$200.00/WEEK FOR CLYS MEMBERS,
\$220.00/WEEK FOR NON-MEMBERS

AFTER MAY 26TH, 2019:
\$220.00/WEEK FOR CLYS MEMBERS,
\$242.00/WEEK FOR NON-MEMBERS

ONE-TO-ONE SUPPORT IS NOT PROVIDED BY CLYS. IF YOUR FAMILY MEMBER REQUIRES 1:1 SUPPORT, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR COMMUNITY SUPPORT COORDINATOR.

TO REGISTER CONTACT:
MARKHAM: SADIA SHAUKAT
905-884-9110 EXT 640 | [SSHAUKAT@COMMUNITYLIVINGYORKSOUTH.CA](mailto:sshaikat@communitylivingyorksouth.ca)
LOCATION: BUR OAK SECONDARY SCHOOL, 933 BUR OAK AVE, MARKHAM
RICHMOND HILL: ANNIE ZHANG
905-884-9110 EXT 382 | AZHANG@COMMUNITYLIVINGYORKSOUTH.CA
LOCATION: RICHMOND HILL HIGH SCHOOL, 201 YORKLAND ST, RICHMOND HILL
VAUGHAN: SADIA SHAUKAT
905-884-9110 EXT 640 | [SSHAUKAT@COMMUNITYLIVINGYORKSOUTH.CA](mailto:sshaikat@communitylivingyorksouth.ca)
LOCATION: EMILY CARR SECONDARY SCHOOL, 4901 RUTHERFORD RD, WOODBRIDGE
WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE: THARINI THARMALINGAM
905-884-9110 EXT 703 | TTHARMALINGAM@COMMUNITYLIVINGYORKSOUTH.CA
LOCATION: SOCCER CITY, 45 INNOVATOR AVE, STOUFFVILLE

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COMMUNITY LIVING YORK SOUTH
SUMMER CAMP
2019
JULY 8 TO
AUGUST 23
children 14-17
youth/adults 18+

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Message From Guidance

Please see the most recent issue of the Scholarship Report
<http://bit.ly/ScholarshipreportJune>

Student Enrichment Opportunities for 2019 and 2020:

University of Toronto Summer Mentorship Program (MD)
<http://www.md.utoronto.ca/SMP>

University of Toronto Summer Programs in Law and Medicine
<http://ysp.utoronto.ca/>

SHAD Valley for Summer 2020 enrollment only
<https://www.shad.ca/Future-SHADs-Parents.htm>

McMaster LEAP Program (STEM)
<https://youthprograms.eng.mcmaster.ca/about/leap#Reg-Fees->

UofT DEEP Engineering Academy for 2020 enrollment
<http://outreach.engineering.utoronto.ca/pre-university-programs/deep/deep-summer-academy/>

If any student is planning on doing volunteer hours during the summer, please come by the guidance office to pick up a volunteer form and have their hours pre-approved.

A reminder that the guidance office will remain open during exams for drop-in appointments. Students and parents/guardians will be seen on a first come, first serve basis.

On behalf of the guidance team, we wanted to wish all students good luck on their exams!

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 [My Pathway Planner](#) login page. Students can register through My Pathway Planner from May 1st until September 11th. 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 11, 2019, please download a registration form from this website: (<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/ConEd/Documents/FOR-nonYRRRegistration.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 Program](#).

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

YRDSB Dual Credit Program

Dual Credit information is now available for next school year.

The Dual Credit program allows Gr. 11 & 12 students to take College courses that count towards both the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) and a college certificate or diploma. Students may earn up to a maximum of four optional credits through college-delivered dual credit courses.

BENEFITS TO STUDENTS:

- Earn high school AND college credits simultaneously
- No cost
- Experience college campus life
- Learn from college instructors in state of the art facilities
- Explore different pathways options
- Opportunity to try something new

Students can check out the link below for information and are encouraged to discuss this great opportunity with their guidance counselor to see if it can work with their timetable (students must have space on their timetable to take a dual credit course).

Courses include such amazing opportunities as Aeronautics, Culinary, Intro to Forensic Science, Social Psychology, Welding Techniques and many others.

How Students Register:

1. Meet with a Guidance counselor to ensure that Dual Credit is the right fit
2. Complete the on-line Dual Credit application form on the YRDSB Dual Credit homepage: www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/dualcredit



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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

There are a few spaces available in three summer Dual Credit Courses running in July, two at Centennial College (Progress) and one at Seneca College @York U:

Criminal Justice & Society (Monday-Thursday; 1:30-4:30pm; July 2-25)

This course examines the practices and procedures of the criminal justice system within the context of Canadian society. Students will explore criminal justice matters such as policing (interrogation and evidence collection), trial preparation and practices (evidence evaluation, plea-bargaining, juries) and individuals with legal power (prosecutors, defense lawyers, witnesses), linking them to social issues related to race, class and gender. Through case studies, students will also develop their critical analysis skills by evaluating a number of topics and their relation to the criminal justice system such as mental health, addition, youth crime, violence against women and psychopathy.

Culinary Skills Fundamentals: (Thursdays & Fridays; 8:30am-4:30pm; includes a 1-hour lunch; July 4-26)

This course will develop the student's fundamental culinary skills through a series of professor led demonstrations and practical labs in which students learn both practical and theoretical skill sets. In the lab students will implement a work plan and recreate dishes as demonstration. The students will be evaluated on both participation in the demonstration and kitchen lab. By successfully completing this course students will be able to develop work plans, practice culinary techniques, apply basic methods of preparation, work in a timely manner and present and taste food products, in preparation for successful employment in today's food service industry

Introduction to Sociology 1: Social Inequality - Seneca College (York University)

Ministry Code: HSH4T College Code: SCL191

Students will learn the basics of sociology and learn to use our sociological imagination to look at culture around us with a new perspective. We will learn about how sociological research is done, how sociologists understand cultures and subcultures, and learn about social stratification and gender roles. *Course includes a field trip.*

For more information on Course offerings and schedule: bit.ly/summerdcflyer

Student application: bit.ly/yrdsbsummerdc

College applications: bit.ly/dccollegeapps



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Message from SHSM

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

Message from Drama Class



The grade 11 Drama class proudly presents *The Bottom of the Lake*, on Wednesday June 12 and Thursday June 13 at 7:00 pm in the drama room. Three campers wander into the woods to tell ghost stories, only to be surprised by a mysterious girl they've never seen at camp. A mixture of comedy and suspense, this play will keep you on the edge of your seat. Tickets are \$5 at the door or from any member of the grade 11 drama class.

Message from the Business Department

Each year the University of Waterloo holds two competitions, one in December and one in May to test high school students' proficiency in financial literacy. This past May several of our students took top honours in the senior event. Congratulations to Nubaira Milki who placed first and Sharan Patel who placed second in the senior division. Honourable mention goes out to William Xu who placed in the top 20 in the junior division.

Message from the Science Department

SCIENCE COMPETITIONS



This past May, we've had numerous science competitions in our Science Department with many students recognized for their high academic achievement. We would like to thank all participants in their efforts and congratulate our award winners for their success:

Nubaira Milki who is an Elemental Award recipient in the 2019 University of Waterloo's Avogadro Exam (Chemistry Contest).

Tomas Frankovich who is an Elemental Award recipient in the 2019 University of Waterloo's Avogadro Exam (Chemistry Contest).

Tomas Frankovich who won the 2019 University of Toronto's Ask A Laureate Essay Contest (Chemistry Contest).

Karl who is a National Biology Scholar for the University of Toronto National Biology Competition 2019.

FISH HATCHERY



As our Gr. 9's wrap up our Ecosystem Unit, we celebrated this on June 5th, with the release of our salmon fry back into our local waterways. We have been caring for the salmon eggs and fry the past 3 months, with in-class visits from the Conservation Authorities to extend our experiential learning.

We are happy to report that 98% of our fish fry have survived and are doing well in their new home at Duffins Creek in Pickering. This was a great learning experience for our students, as they were able to gain responsibility for nurturing the fish, while learning about their lifecycles, habitats and human impacts on the environment. We look forward to continuing this program next year.

Are you stressed about exams?

Exam Study Skills

Period 3 June 11, 14, 17 and 18.

Location: Library Computer Lab