



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 **3 or more days**, an extended absence form must be signed by each subject teacher, Parent/Guardian and the Vice-Principal **prior** to leaving for the absence. Forms are available from the attendance secretary or main office.

Week of Feb 12th-17th, 2023

Sunday, Feb 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DECA Provincial Competition downtown Toronto-Mrs. Webber
Monday, Feb 13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Badminton Team practice at 7:00 am in the gym-Mr. Kee DECA Provincial Competition downtown Toronto-Mrs. Webber OBA Concert Band Music Festival at the Chinese Cultural Centre leaving MDHS at 4:45 pm returning at 8:00 pm
Tuesday, Feb 14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anime Club meeting at lunch in Room 163-Mr. Kee Badminton Team practice at 2:45 in the gym-Mr. Kee DECA Provincial Competition downtown Toronto-Mrs. Webber Lead St. Valentine's Day-Roses for sale in the Blue zone at lunch \$2.00-Mrs. Ahmed Pre-Colonial Africa Exhibit in the Library
Wednesday, Feb 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Badminton Team practice at 7:00 am in the gym-Mr. Kee STEM Club meeting in Room 163-Mr. Kee OBA Concert Band Music Festival at the Chinese Cultural Centre leaving MDHS at 4:30 pm -Mr. Siu
Thursday, Feb 16th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Course selection opens at 9:00 am for all grades 8-11-Mrs. McGill Magic Club meeting at lunch in Room 163-Mr. Kee Best Buddies snack sales in the Blue Zone 11:00 am-12:00 pm-Mrs. Takla OBA Concert Band Music Festival at the Chinese Cultural Centre leaving MDHS at 4:30 pm -Mr. Siu East School Council Forum in the Cafeteria, Library, Rooms 140A, 138 and 164 at 5:00-8:30 pm-Admin.
Friday, Feb 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Archery Club Practice at 7:15 am in the gym (sign up in Google Classroom) - Mr. Kee

Message from Guidance

Course Selection Timelines School Year 2023-2024

- February 16 Course selection **opens** at 9:00 am for all grades 8—11
- February 21 Guidance counsellors are available for students who need support with the course selection process during lunch 11:00 am-12:00 pm in Room 104A
- February 24 Course Selection **closes** for students at 3:00 pm
- End of March Course Selection Verification Forms will be distributed to all feeder schools and all current MDHS students

Students will be able to submit their courses starting on **Thursday, February 16th at 9:00 am**. It is highly encouraged that students have conversations with their guardians/parents in advance regarding their course selections. Students can also visit these important websites when making their course selection decisions: (<https://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/> and www.ontariocolleges.ca) to be informed about potential post secondary programs and requirements.

SEMESTER 2 REMOTE LEARNING NIGHT SCHOOL (Winter 2023)

Attention students who want to register for Night School in Semester 2. Winter registration is now open using My Pathway Planner, and courses will run from February 16, 2023 to June 8, 2023. Please be advised that traditional in class face-to-face Night School program will move to a remote learning delivery model. **The program will be delivered virtually in real-time (synchronous). Classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 pm to 9:45 pm.** We encourage students to register early as course offerings are not guaranteed and are subject to sufficient enrollment. Please visit the following website for more details and course offering information: <https://www2.yrdsb.ca/night-school-credit-courses>

SEMESTER 2 ONLINE LEARNING NIGHT SCHOOL (Winter 2023)

Winter 2023 courses run from February 21- June 5, 2023. Current YRDSB Student registration period: January 31 - February 28, 2023 using My Pathway Planner. Online Learning (formerly referred to as "e-learning") provides students with another option to expand their educational experience. **The program offers courses that are specifically designed to be taught in a fully online format.** Classes occur online using an asynchronous model, with numerous synchronous learning opportunities offered with the teacher. Students can expect to do a minimum of 6 hours of learning each week per course. The program offers courses that are specifically designed to be taught in a fully online format (formerly referred to as "e-learning"). Online learning relies on communication between pupils and teachers.

Online learning does not require pupils and teachers to be face-to-face with each other.

For more information and registration information, please visit the following website:

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/online-learning-formerly-e-learning/online-learning-night-school>

The Guidance Alpha has changed slightly for Semester 2.

Please note the following when booking an appointment to see a Counsellor.

COUNSELLOR	ALPHA
Ms. Gabrielle McGill	A - Hi
Mr. Jim Buie	Ho - Me
Mr. Marc Weinstein	Mi - St
Ms. Erika Kerhoulas	Su - Z
Ms. Susan Vlachopoulos	Reception



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The following Mathematics Contests from the University of Waterloo will run during Semester 2:

Pascal (grade 9), **Cayley** (grade 10), **Fermat** (grade 11):

Wednesday 22nd February

60 minutes long

25 Multiple-Choice questions

The deadline to register has passed.

Students who signed up will be emailed with time/location details.

Euclid (grade 12 + highly motivated students in other grades):

Tuesday 4th April

2.5 hours long

10 Written-Response questions

\$19 fee via SchoolCash online, due by March 6th

Fryer (grade 9), **Galois** (grade 10), **Hypatia** (grade 11):

Wednesday 5th April

75 minutes long

4 Written-Response questions

\$13 fee via SchoolCash online, due by March 6th

If interested in writing a contest, please signup by making a payment on SchoolCash online by the deadline listed above.

For more information on the contests, please visit <https://cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/our-contests.html>

Mr. Raffoul

MDHS Math Department

LEAD St. Valentine's Day Fundraiser!

Spread some love this St. Valentine's Day, by buying roses for your friends and family in the Blue Zone on Tuesday, February 14th! Each rose is only \$2.00 and there is a limited amount, so make sure to stop by early to get yours!