



PARENT BULLETIN

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<http://www.markhamdistrict.hs.yrdsb.ca>

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 Nov 21st-25th, 2022

Monday, Nov 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mid-Term Report Card Electronic Distribution by ITS
Tuesday, Nov 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mid-Term Report Card Electronic Distribution by ITS
Wednesday, Nov 23rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accessibility Presentation 8:20-9:30 am, MDHS will be hosting Domenic Fragale to speak about accessibility— please email Mr. Butler andrew.butler@yrdsb.ca to RSVP. Grade 8 Information Open House 6:30 pm-8:30 pm in the Cafeteria-Mrs. McGill
Thursday, Nov 24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SAC Semi-Formal Dance - "A Blast from the Past" 6:00 pm-10:00 pm in the Cafeteria-Mr. Raffoul
Friday, Nov 25th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elementary Volleyball Tournament in the gym-Mr. Feasby Prism-Guest Speaker: Lucean (Sean) McCaughin 11:00-12:00 pm in room 151-Mr. Stetina and Mrs. Lam George Brown College CICE Program-guest Speaker (Jennifer Dewar) 12:00 –1:15 pm-Mrs. Takla Tamil Student Association (TSA) Meeting –Room 151-2:45 pm –4:00 pm

Message from the ECOMARKHAM

EcoMarkham and many student volunteers were grateful for the amazing November weather we had as they set out on November 3rd to do our Fall Community Clean-up! They covered the school grounds and spread out along the neighbouring streets to help make their community better!

Message from the Business Department

Financial Literacy Month

November is financial literacy month. To help educate our students on this important topic, the Business department is inviting students to compete in its first ever Financial Literacy Competition. To compete, students can access a google classroom where information will be posted weekly covering one of the following areas: investing, banking, credit and income management. At the end of the month, students will given a short quiz, to test their knowledge on these topics. The student who correctly answers all questions and in the fastest time will win a gift card. The code to access the google classroom can be found on the Business Department Bulletin board located on the second floor. We invite all students to compete in this challenge.-Ms. Lovell

Message from the Guidance Department

Grade 8 Information Night November 23rd, 6:30 pm –8:30 pm in the Cafeteria and Library
 OCAS application deadline—February 1, 2023 (for equal consideration)
 OUAC application deadline—January 12, 2023

IMPORTANT-School Start-Up Forms

Parents/guardians received an email from YRDSB Update with important school start-up forms to complete. It is important that these forms are completed as soon as possible at the start of the school year as they contain important information and permissions. **These must be completed in order for your child to appear in the yearbook.**

The forms can be found at <https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/>.

A link to the forms can also be found on the Family Resources page of the Board website at www.yrdsb.ca/familyresources. Click on the [Need Help link](#) beside Family Startup Forms for additional information on how to log in to the Student GAPPS account to complete the forms.

Secondary school students can complete the secondary school student form at <https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/students>. They will also receive the link in their student GAPPS account. Elementary school students **do not** need to complete these student forms.

Please note:

You **must be signed in to your child's student GAPPS account** to complete the form. Please remember to sign out of one account before signing into another. Additional information is available on the Board website on [how to login to the student account to complete the forms](#).

- The forms should be completed for each student, whether they are attending school in person or participating in remote, online learning. Parents/guardians must complete a separate form for each child attending school. Please ensure you log out of one student account before logging into another. You will not be able to submit the form twice logged into the same student account.

The LOST has been FOUND!

Please remind your student to check the Lost & Found items
 Outside the main office for anything they may be missing.
 Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity as of Wednesday, November 23rd.

Items such as jewellery, watches, glasses and electronics (including air pods and cases) can be retrieved at the reception desk with Ms. Visconti.



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A.C.E (African/Caribbean Excellence)

Hello Parents/Guardians,

We are Mr. Morris, Ms. McGill and Ms. McNeilly. We are teachers at Markham District HS. We just wanted to reach out to you regarding an opportunity at MDHS for African/Caribbean students.

We've started a group called **A.C.E (African/Caribbean Excellence)** as an opportunity to celebrate Black student achievement, while supporting all who are interested, throughout their journey at MDHS. We are trying to meet once every two weeks. This isn't an academic endeavour, instead it's simply a group that aims to provide a safe space for our Black students to connect, and engage in enriching opportunities.

There will be opportunities to participate in experiences of Black joy at MDHS and throughout the board. We are reaching out on behalf of our group with the hope that maybe your encouragement at home will convince your child to join this worthy endeavour.

Our next meeting will be: Tuesday, November 29 at 11:05 a.m. in room 205

Looking forward to connect in the near future,

Your A.C.E. Staff Advisors

Mr. Morris
gregory.morris@yrdsb.ca

Ms. McGill
gabrielle.mcgill@yrdsb.ca

Ms. Mcneilly
teesha.mcneilly@yrdsb.ca

Accessibility Presentation

On Wednesday, November 23 from 8:20-9:30 AM, MDHS will be hosting Domenic Fragale to speak about accessibility. Domenic has been a huge advocate for accessibility rights, and was an inspiration to our staff and students who have worked with him.

If you would like to attend, please send an RSVP to andrew.butler@yrdsb.ca.



March of the Living 2023

Calling all grade 11 and 12 students, The March of the Living High School Program is back in person at last! Join 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
April 15 - May 1
*Dates are subject to change

REGISTRATION
Opens October 12 at marchofthelivingcanada.org

Sign up at marchofthelivingcanada.org

For more information, contact Witnee at wkarp@ujafed.org




REMINDER!

The Yearbook price is only
\$30!

An increase of 5\$ but the yearbook is still worth every dollar!

The final deadline is **January 31st.**



York Regional Competition

Saturday, November 19
Richmond Hill HS
201 Yorkland Street, Richmond Hill

A tentative itinerary, as posted on the deca.ca website, is as follows:

- 8:30-8:45 am Arrival for Individual Role Play Participants (except Principals)
- 9:00-11:30 am Individual Oral Role Plays begin in assigned areas
- 12:30-1:30 pm Award Ceremonies for Individual Orals in the gym
- 12:30-12:45 Arrival for Principle & Team Oral Role Play Participants
- 1:00-4:30 pm Principle and Team Oral Role Plays begin in assigned areas
- 4:30-5:30 pm Award Ceremonies for Principles and Team Orals in gym

- Top 10 Overall receive ribbons in each oral and test event
- Top 3 Overall are recognized with medals in each category

NOTE: All participants must be able to show picture ID; eg. MDHS card, etc. There will be penalties levied if students cannot provide it.

Since this is a weekend competition, we are respectfully requesting that each participant arrange for his/her own transportation to and from the competition.

POST-SECONDARY “LUNCH’N LEARN” SESSIONS
(see calendar posted on the google classrooms) Representatives from many Colleges and Universities will be offering “Lunch’n Learn” presentations for Grade 12 students during the common lunch (11:05am—11:55am) in Room 104A. Please bring your lunch.

Seating in Room 104A is limited. However if capacity is reached, the representatives will offer two half hour presentations. Please note that this will only occur if the seating capacity is reached. Otherwise, presentations begin promptly at 11:05am and will last the full lunch hour. **Please remind your child this is a great opportunity to ask questions.**

- Nov 3 - Ontario Tech University
- Nov 4 - Fleming College
- Nov 7 - Guelph University/Guelph-Humber
- Nov 8 - Laurentian University
- Nov 9 - University of Waterloo
- Nov 10 - University of Toronto Engineering
- Nov 14 - Toronto Metro University
- Nov 16 - Western University
- Nov 17 - Windsor University
- Nov 23 - Queen's University

YRDSB Trans Student Support Group



A group for trans, nonbinary, genderqueer, agender, gender fluid, and gender diverse students across the YRDSB.

The group will be facilitated by board staff with lived experience as members of the trans community: Max Denley (he/him), School Social Worker and Kenzie Wass (they/them), 2SLGBTQI+ Community Partnership Developer.

Gender diverse students in grades 7-12 are invited to participate virtually:

- Bi-Weekly on Tuesdays beginning November 22nd.
- 3:30 p.m.- 4:30 p.m.

**If you are interested in joining or would like to learn more,
please contact Max Denley at max.denley@yrdsb.ca**

