



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 <u>markham.dhs@yrdsb.ca</u>. Should your student be absent for <u>3 or more days</u>, an extended absence form must be signed by each subject teacher, Parent/Guardian and the Vice-Principal <u>prior</u> to leaving for the absence. Forms are available from the attendance secretary or main office. **REMINDER Secondary Schools** <u>do not</u> use Edsby for Attendance

	Week of Feb 24-28, 2025			
Monday Feb 24th				
Tuesday Feb 25th	• Music Dept. Guest Composer Workshop during Period 1 in room 147-S. Tam			
Wednesday Feb 26th	 Pink Shirt Day Pascal, Cayley & Fermat Math Contests in the Cafeteria, 8:10 am-9:30 am-M. Raffoul Jr. Girls Volleyball Team to Markville S.S, games at 3:30 pm and 4:30 pm -A. Tunnicliff Solar Dance Club Meeting in the Cafeteria 3:00-4:30 pm-Ms. Chelvanathan SAA Meeting in the Library from 3:00-4:00 pm-Mrs. Whittaker STEM Club meeting in room 115 from 3:00-4:00 pm-Mr. Avery 			
Thursday Feb 27th	 Black Excellence Lobby Concert in the Blue Zone 8:00-8:10 am-S. Siu Caring and Safe School Assemblies P1 (Grade 9 & 11s) & P2 (Grade 10 & 12s), in the Cafeteria –Admin. Team Jr. Girls Volleyball Team to St. Katharine Drexel, game at 3:30 pm-A. Tunnicliff PRISM club weekly meeting in room 107 at 3:00 pm–Mr. Stetina Chess Club after school in room 227- 			
Friday Feb 28th	 Black Excellence Lobby Concert in the Blue Zone 8:00-8:10 am-S. Siu Tamil Student Association weekly club meeting 3:00-6:00 pm in the cafeteria-Mr. Avery Classics weekly club meeting in room 202, 3:00-5:00 pm-Mr. McLaren 			

Families planning to move or students not returning in September

Dear Families,

As we begin our planning for the 2025-2026 school year, we kindly ask you to inform the school office if your family has plans to move over the summer, or if your children will not be returning in September for any reason. This information helps us to ensure a smooth transition for all students and to make necessary staffing arrangements for the upcoming academic year.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and helps us in planning effectively for the new school year. Thank you for your support.

2024-2025 START UP FORMS

<u>_</u>Each year we ask families to complete **important start-up forms**. <u>https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/</u> Please review and complete the forms. If you prefer to receive and complete a paper copy, please contact the main office. This form will grant permission for your student's photo to be published in the yearbook. Please complete the form to avoid disappointment.



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Student Trustee Elections

Each year, students in Grades 5-12 have the opportunity to vote for the two student trustees who will represent their voice across the York Region District School Board. Voting takes place between February 18 & 19, 2025. You can learn more about the final four candidates and watch an all-candidates panel discussion at <u>www.yrdsb.ca/studenttrustees</u>. This is an excellent opportunity to hear directly from each candidate and their views and thoughts on issues that concern all YRDSB students. All students in grades 5-12 are encouraged to watch. Information on how to vote will be shared with all eligible students in your GAPPS email account when voting opens February 18.

Chinese Arts and Literary Festival 2025 – Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto

The Chinese Arts and Literary Festival (CALF) is organized by the Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto. In line with the mission of the Centre, the festival aims to deepen participants' understanding of Chinese cultural heritage, promote appreciation and respect for cultural diversity, and enhance social harmony. Through creative and cultural engagement, the festival seeks to inspire participants to connect with Chinese culture, develop their skills, and contribute to the multicultural fabric of Canadian society.

Graduation Package

Congratulations MDHS Graduate!

The Graduation package for the 2024/2025 school year is now available for purchase.

Graduation will be held on Wednesday, June 25, 2025, at Markham District H.S.

The Souvenir Package includes a Cap w/2025 tassel, V-Stole, and gown which is yours to keep.

The fee also includes two guest entrance tickets per student, program, and décor.

Ticket Package and Gown pickup will be announced closer to the ceremony.

Please go to School Cash Online to purchase your package.

GRADUATION PURCHASE DEADLINE: April 11, 2025

RECREATION SUBSIDIES

York Region offers subsidies for recreation programs, day camps and youth overnight camps. Recreation programs and day camp subsidies provide children from families with low income the ability to take part in programs offered by the municipal recreation departments. The youth overnight camp funding helps eligible youth ages 12 to 17 attend an approved overnight camp.

The subsidies that are available are:

- Positive Leisure Activities for Youth (PLAY)
- Summer day camp funding
- Youth overnight camp funding
- York Region does not guarantee space in programs or camps. More information can be found on the website.



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Link: https://www.york.ca/support/financial-assistance/recreation-subsidies

Mathematics Contests for 2024 - 2025

Contest	Eligible Grades	Contest Date	SchoolCash Deadline	Fee		
Canadian Math Society:						
The Center for Education in Mathematics and Computing (University of Waterloo):						
Pascal Contest	9					
Cayley Contest	10	Wednesday 26th February 2025	Thursday 6th February 2025	\$7		
Fermat Contest	11					
Euclid Contest	11 / 12	Wednesday 2nd April 2025	Monday 3rd March 2025	\$19		
Fryer Contest	9					
Galois Contest	10	Thursday 3rd April 2025 Monday 3rd March	Monday 3rd March 2025	\$13		
Hypatia Contest	11					

Please register for the contests by making payments on <u>SchoolCash Online</u>. The fees above are set by the contest creators (CMS / CEMC), plus \$1 to cover SchoolCash Online transaction fees. Once the SchoolCash Online deadline has passed, students will be invited to the "**MDHS Math Contests 2024-2025**" Google Classroom. This portal will be used to provide information about the contests such as date / time / location, and to return results to each student. On days when multiple contests are running, it is possible to register for a contest that is intended for students in higher grades (for example, a Grade 10 student who wishes to write the Fermat instead of the Cayley). If this applies to you, please contact <u>michael.raffoul@yrdsb.ca</u> after making the payment on SchoolCash Online to make arrangements. For more information about the contests, or to access past contests and solutions, please go to:

- Canadian Open Mathematics Challenge: <u>https://cms.math.ca/competitions/comc/</u>
 - University of Waterloo contests: <u>https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past_contests.html</u>



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Cultural Centre of GreaterToronto Chinese Arts & Literary Festival



CCC Chinese Arts and Literary Festival 大多倫多中華文化中心 中華學藝節

Festival Date: Venue: Registration Date: Award Ceremony:

Registration:

學藝節日期: 地點: 報名日期: 頒獎典禮: 報名網站:

学艺节日期: 地点: 报名日期: 颁奖典礼: 报名网站: April 2025 Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto Now through March 16, 2025 May 31, 2025 at Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto cccgt.org

2025年4月 大多倫多中華文化中心 即日起至2025年3月16日 2025年5月31日大多倫多中華文化中心 cccgt.org

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Organizer 主辦機構:



Associate Organizer 協辦機構: New Era Educational Foundation Toronto 翰真文教基金會 Honorary Sponsor 榮譽贊助: Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (Toronto) 香港經濟貿易辦事處 Richard Charles Lee Canada-Hong Kong Library, University of Toronto 多倫多大學利銘澤典宬

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Toastmasters for Violence Prevention

Join us in toastmaster-fashion to explore the importance of community violence prevention and learn how you can help create a safer community through preparing speeches and impromptu speaking activities!

Dates and themes:

- February 9, 2025 Bullying Awareness
- February 23, 2025 Cyberbullying and Social Media
- March 23, 2025 Mental Health
- March 30, 2025 Community Interventions: Sharing Our Ideas

Register Here

Choose from three sessions each day:

- 1:00 2:00 PM ET (age 13-18); in-person at Aaniin Community Center
- 6:30 7:30 PM ET (age 8–12); online via Zoom
- 7:30 8:30 PM ET (age 13–18); online via Zoom

Cost: FREE

Check our other youth (age 8-18) public speaking programs at www.uplustoastmasters.ca

Contact tm@upluseducation.ca

U+ Toastmasters is a registered non-profit empowering individuals to enhance public speaking, leadership, and personal growth.

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MARCH BREAK VOLLEYBALL CAMP

SKILLS, GAMES, AND TEAM FUN FOR KIDS 8-13 YEARS OLD!

DATES

10-14 MA

Admission \$300 full day \$225 half day

**FREE T-SHIRT INCLUDED

Activities

- Skill Development Sessions
- Mini Games & Scrimmages
- Team Building Challenges
- Fun Skill Competitions
- Volleyball Rules & Strategies

Thornlea Secondary School

8075 Bayview Ave, Thornhill

Registration Link

www.yorkregionsports.com

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YORK REGION VOLLEYBALL PRESENTS

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MARCH 22 - JUNE 14, 2025

- Learn volleying, passing, hitting, and serving
- Develop skills through games and activities
- Play in a non-competitive environment that makes learning FUN!

What to Expect:

- Skill development + modified gameplay every session
- Using kid-friendly equipment for confidence and success!

11 weeks on Saturdays

Session 1: 9am-10:30am | 8-11 years old Session 2: 10:30am-12pm | 12-15 years old

Location:

Renaissance Catholic Secondary School 700 chemin Bloomington, Aurora, ON L4G 0E1



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Black History Month Celebration for Youth in York Region

Saturday, March 1, 2025 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address:

Bruce's Mill Conservation Area - Community Safety Village 3291 Stouffville Rd Whitchurch-Stouffville View on Google Maps

Category:

Workshops & Seminars

Event Details:

Join York Regional Police at the Community Safety Village, in Bruce's Mill Conservation Area, for a youth event aimed at increasing awareness and understanding of Black History Month celebrations.

This event is open to students from both York Region District School Board and York Catholic District School Board ages 14-17, who are residents of York Region. It is being hosted on Saturday March 1st from 1-4pm.

Pre-registration is required. There are 100 spaces available. Participants who attend will receive volunteer hours.

There will be light refreshments served.

Location:

Bruce's Mill Conservation Area - Community Safety Village

Registration Options

HTTPS://CALENDAR.YRP.CA/YRPINTERNAL/DETAIL/2025-03-01-1300-BLACK-HISTORY-MONTH-CELEBRATION-FOR-YOUTH-IN-

Black History Month Celebration

Join us for an inspiring evening as we celebrate Black History Month with interactive performances, student showcases and dinner.

Dates: Tuesday, February 25, 2025, at Tommy Douglas S.S.

Register by February 21, 2025.

Wednesday, March 5, 2025, at Bill Hogarth S.S.

Register by February 28, 2025.

Time: 6:00-8:00 p.m.

- This event will feature:
- Interactive Performances
- Student Showcases
- Dinner will be provided

Please join us to celebrate the rich history and contributions of the Black Community while creating meaningful connections and memories together. Looking forward to celebrating together!

To Register

Please fill out a registration form.

If you have any further questions, please reach out to blackstudentexcellence avrdsb.ca

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