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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](mailto: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 January 22- February 2, 2024

<b>Monday Jan 22nd</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School (Parent) Council Meeting 7:00-8:30 pm in the Library</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday Jan 23rd</b>	
<b>Wednesday Jan 24th</b>	
<b>Thursday Jan 25th</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Period 1 Exams</li> <li>No Classes</li> </ul>
<b>Friday Jan 26th</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Period 2 Exams</li> <li>No Classes</li> </ul>
<b>Monday Jan 29th</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Period 5 Exams</li> <li>No Classes</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday Jan 30th</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Period 3 Exams</li> <li>No Classes</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday Jan 31st</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Period 4 Exams</li> <li>No Classes</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday Feb 1st</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exam Feedback Day-See Modified School Day Schedule below</li> </ul>
<b>Friday Feb 2nd</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PA Day</li> <li>No Classes</li> </ul>
<b>Monday Feb 5th</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First Day of Semester 2 Classes</li> </ul>

#### Thursday, February 1st Exam Feedback Day - Schedule

Period 1	8:10 AM to 8:47 AM
Period 2	8:52 AM to 9:29 AM
Period 3	9:34 AM to 10:11 AM
Period 4	10:16 AM to 10:53 AM
Period 5	10:58 AM to 11:35 AM
Lunch	11:35 AM to 12:35 PM

This is the only chance to review your exam with your teacher. **Attendance will be taken.**  
 12:35-2:50 PM - Teacher interviews upon request/by appointment



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**2024 Exam Schedule is posted on the front page of the school website**

### STUDENT EXAMINATION INFORMATION

#### **1. Examination Schedule**

Confirm your exam/interview/performance date (if applicable) with your classroom teacher. Record the date and time in your cell phone calendar. Plan to be at school at least fifteen minutes prior to the beginning of the exam/culminating activity. All written exams begin at 8:20 a.m.

#### **2. Transportation**

Buses will maintain their regular schedule.

#### **3. Absence**

Students should not be absent during the exam period for family vacations. Illness is the only legitimate reason to be absent for an exam. In the event of illness, you should telephone the school office (905) 294-1886.

Information required will be the subject, grade and teacher name. An administrator will reach out with next steps

#### **4. Lateness**

If you are less than 15 minutes late, please report directly to the exam. If you are more than 15 minutes late, please report to the main office.

#### **5. No Materials Brought In**

Notes and paper are not to be brought in to the exam room, unless previously confirmed by the classroom teacher. Backpacks, binders and jackets should be left in lockers; they are not to be brought to the exam room.

Electronic devices (including cell phones and music devices) are not permitted in exam rooms.

#### **6. Consequences of Inappropriate Behaviour**

Students not adhering to the rules and conditions of the exam area will be brought to the office by a staff member.

#### **7. Upon completion of your exam/culminating activity**

Once student have completed their exam/culminating activity, they are expected to exit the building or wait quietly in the cafeteria until they depart. Students are not permitted to be in the halls as other exams/culminating activities may still be in progress.

#### **8. Severe/Inclement Weather and Transportation**

In the event of bus cancellation because of storm conditions, examinations for that day only will be rescheduled. All other examinations will be written as scheduled. If an exam has to be rescheduled due to inclement weather, the exams for that date will be rescheduled to Thursday, February 1, 2024.

When the decision about school transportation and school closures is made, the board does so as early as possible, and no later than 6:00 a.m. The YRDSB will do their best to notify families in advance when they may be considering closing school and Board offices. Transportation cancellations or school closures are communicated through:

- Student Transportation Services - [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com) or 1-877-330-3001
- YRDSB Website: [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca)
- YRDSB Twitter: [@YRDSB](https://twitter.com/YRDSB)
- Radio and TV media outlets

#### **9. Thursday, February 1, 2024 – Exam Feedback Day**

This is a modified school day. Attendance will be taken. This is meant to be an opportunity for students to review their final exams with their teachers. The schedule for the day is listed on the Exam Schedule.



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Contest	Eligible Grades	Contest Date	Registration Deadline on SchoolCash Online	Fee
<b>Pascal Contest</b> (by University of Waterloo)	9	Wednesday 28th Feb.	Monday 12th Feb.	\$7
<b>Cayley Contest</b> (by University of Waterloo)	10	Wednesday 28th Feb.	Monday 12th Feb.	\$7
<b>Fermat Contest</b> (by University of Waterloo)	11	Wednesday 28th Feb.	Monday 12th Feb.	\$7
<b>Euclid Contest</b> (by University of Waterloo)	11 / 12	Wednesday 3rd April	Mon 4th March	\$19
<b>Fryer Contests</b> (by University of Waterloo)	9	Thursday 4th April	Monday 4th March	\$13
<b>Galois Contests</b> (by University of Waterloo)	10	Thursday 4th April	Monday 4th March	\$13
<b>Hypatia Contests</b> (by University of Waterloo)	11	Thursday 4th April	Monday 4th March	\$13

Please register for the contests by making payments on SchoolCash Online. The fees above are set by the contest creators (CMS / CEMC), plus \$1 to cover SchoolCash Online transaction fees. Once payments have been made on SchoolCash Online, students will be invited to the “**MDHS Math Contests 2023-2024**” 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.

If you would like to register a student for a contest outside of their grade (eg. a grade 10 student who wants to write the grade 11 contests instead), please contact [michael.raffoul@yrdsb.ca](mailto:michael.raffoul@yrdsb.ca) to make appropriate arrangements.

For more information about the contests, or to access past contests and solutions, please go to:

- University of Waterloo contests: [https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past\\_contests.html](https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past_contests.html)



## [Markham District High School Students Win National Space Competition](#)

Students from **Markham, Mississauga, Abbotsford, and Kanata** have won the third season of the Lunar Rover Research Challenge, a national space competition offered by Let’s Talk Science, Canadensys Aerospace Corporation and Avalon Space, with support from the Canadian Space Agency. Over 16,000 youth across Canada participated in the national competition overall.

<https://letstalkscience.ca/about-us/news-and-media/markham-mississauga-abbotsford-and-kanata-students-win-national-space>



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## WEEKEND CAMP MARKHAM



**STONEBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOL**  
 168 Stonebridge Dr, Markham  
 Saturday Active Camp

**Dates**  
 Starting Jan. 27, 2024

**Time**  
 (Full-Day) 9 AM - 4 PM  
 (Half-Day) 9 AM - 12 PM  
 (Half-Day) 1 - 4 PM

**Age**  
 5-12 year olds



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 (416)-475-6622  
[info@yorkeducation.ca](mailto:info@yorkeducation.ca)

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## PA Day February 2, 2024

The focus of the February 2, 2024 Professional Activity Day is Violence Prevention and Curriculum Implementation.

### Morning (150 minutes)

#### **Topic: Violence Prevention (Facilitated by Administrators)**

**Details:** This module is designed to support all staff in:

- developing relationships and identity-affirming working and learning environments;
- identifying warning signs that a person's behaviour may be escalating;
- responding to escalations using specific strategies;
- exploring case studies; following reporting procedures; and accessing support and resources.

#### **Topic: Equitable Assessment Practices Professional Learning Series #2**

**Details:** School teams will engage in professional learning facilitated by school administrators focusing on:

- implementing the fundamental principles of equitable assessment and evaluation;
- addressing self-identified barriers to equitable assessment and evaluation; and developing next steps within schools and/or departments.

#### **Topic: SIP/Department Meetings**

**Details:** School teams will engage School Improvement planning led by school administrators focusing on:

- high-impact instructional practices to support student improvement in alignment with the curriculum;
- developing resources and learning plans to consolidate foundational knowledge and skills in de-streamed grade 9 courses and across the curriculum; supporting Multi Language Learners in our classrooms; and developing equitable assessment practices.

### Afternoon (150 minutes)

#### **Topic: Making Learning Accessible for MLLs Using the STEP Continua**

**Details:** This module is the third in a series of required learning intended for secondary educators, administrators and support staff. To build on the content from modules 1 and 2, educators will explore approaches guided by the STEP continua that create entry points to learning for Step 1/Step 2 learners across all subject areas.

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