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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 <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 do not use Edsby for Attendance** 

	Week of Mar 17-21, 2025			
Monday Mar 17th	<ul> <li>St. Patrick's Day</li> <li>School Council Meeting in the library, 7:00-8:30 pm</li> </ul>			
Tuesday Mar 18th	OSSLT Practice Test-Period 1 in the Library-Mr. Luong			
Wednesday Mar 19th	<ul> <li>OSSLT Practice Test-Period 2-Mr. Luong</li> <li>Solar Dance Club Meeting in the Cafeteria 3:00-4:30 pm-Ms. Chelvanathan</li> <li>SAA Meeting in the Library from 3:00-4:00 pm-Mrs. Whittaker</li> <li>STEM Club meeting in room 115 from 3:00-4:00 pm-Mr. Avery</li> </ul>			
Thursday Mar 20th	<ul> <li>Parents/Guardians will receive information how to book for April 3 Interview evening</li> <li>OSSLT Practice Test- Period 3</li> <li>PRISM club weekly meeting in room 107 at 3:00 pm—Mr. Stetina</li> <li>Chess Club after school in room 227</li> <li>MSA hosts Iftar (6:00 – 8:30 pm) in cafeteria: Guest Speaker: Ahmad Rahman discussing Laylat al-Qadr (The Night of Decree)</li> <li>MDHS Concert Choir to Richmond Hill H.S-S. (4:30 pm-7:15 pm)-S.Tam</li> </ul>			
Friday Mar 21st	<ul> <li>Interim Report Card electronic Distribution by IT Services-Mar 21-24</li> <li>Tamil Student Association weekly club meeting 3:00-6:00 pm in the cafeteria-Mr. Avery</li> <li>Classics weekly club meeting in room 202, 3:00-5:00 pm-Mr. McLaren</li> </ul>			

#### **Graduation Package**

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

#### Webinar: EQAO Math Night for Parents and Guardians Link

Please join us for a free live webinar where EQAO staff will discuss math questions that Ontario students encounter when they participate in Ontario's large-scale assessments. These assessments are taken by all Ontario students in Grades 3, 6 and 9. During the webinar, EQAO staff will show how these math questions help assess the skills students are learning in their math classes. Staff will also share valuable insights from the past three years of assessment results, which can help parents and guardians support their children's math learning.



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#### **Message from the Business Department**

Anthony Fung, a Small Business Advisor for the City of Markham spoke with students from the Grade 9 Building the Entrepreneurial Mindset and Grade 10 Launching and Leading a Business classes on Wednesday April 9, 2025, about the Summer Company Program supported by the government of Ontario. Entrepreneurship is a viable career path and why not start in high school? For more information on the program, please visit - <a href="www.ontario.ca/page/start-summer-company-students">www.ontario.ca/page/start-summer-company-students</a> for more information if interested in the Summer Company Program.



Ticket Sales start after March Break



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#### 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):									
<b>Euclid Contest</b>	11 / 12	Wednesday 2nd April 2025	Monday 3rd March 2025	\$19					
Fryer Contest	9								
Galois Contest	10	Thursday 3rd April 2025	Monday 3rd March 2025	\$13					
Hypatia Contest	11								

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 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 michael.raffoul@yrdsb.ca 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: <a href="https://cms.math.ca/competitions/comc/">https://cms.math.ca/competitions/comc/</a>
  - University of Waterloo contests: <a href="https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past\_contests.html">https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past\_contests.html</a>



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# 大多分輪多中華文化中心 Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto





Cultural Centre of GreaterToronto Chinese Arts & Literary Festival



大多倫多中華文化中心 中華學藝節

Festival Date: April 2025

Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto Venue:

Registration Date: Now through March 16, 2025

Award Ceremony: May 31, 2025 at

Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto

Registration: cccgt.org

學藝節日期: 2025年4月

地點: 大多倫多中華文化中心 報名日期: 即日起至2025年3月16日

頒獎典禮: 2025年5月31日大多倫多中華文化中心

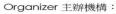
報名網站: cccgt.org

学艺节日期: 2025年4月

地点: 大多伦多中华文人化中心 报名日期: 即日起至2025年3月16日

2025年5月31日大多伦多中华文化中心 颁奖典礼:

报名网站: cccgt.org





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# Toastmasters for Violence Preve<u>ntion</u>

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!





- · 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



#### 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

Register Here

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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# Culturally Competent Care: Supporting Mental Health in Asian Communities

Friday, March 21, 2025 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

#### **Event Details:**

Join York Regional Police at the Community Safety Village for the Hong Fook Mental Health Association workshop - Culturally Competent Care: Supporting Mental Health in Asian Communities - on Friday, March 21. This workshop is designed to equip participants with the knowledge and skills necessary to provide culturally sensitive support to Asian individuals facing mental health challenges or crises.

The workshop will cover:

- Understanding common mental health disorders and challenging situations
- Developing strategies for offering culturally competent care for Asian Communities
- Recognizing signs of mental health issues prevalent in the Asian community, including the effects of historical trauma, racism and culturally specific stressors

Registration - 830am to 845am

Workshop - 9am to 3pm

Dress of the day or smart casual

Lunch will be served

#### **Location:**

Community Safety Village - Bruce's Mill Conservation Area

#### **Registration Options**

- YRP Sworn and Civilian registration
   Please register with this link if you are YRP member
- Community Partner registration
   Please register here if you are a community partner

HTTPS://CALENDAR.YRP.CA/YRPINTERNAL/DETAIL/2025-03-21-0830-CULTURALLY-COMPETENT-CARE-SUPPORTING-MENTAL-HEALTH



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### **Easter Seals Scholarships 2025**

Easter Seals Ontario Post-Secondary Scholarship Applications for 2025 are now open!

To support students with physical disabilities, online scholarship applications are currently being accepted. The deadline to apply is Thursday, April 17, 2025.

This year, scholarships range from \$500-\$2,500 and include:

- ESO Board of Directors Scholarship
- Hodglynn Holsteins Scholarship
- Connie O'Connor Memorial Scholarship
- ESO Scholarships (5 available)
- Hira Scholarships (2 available)
- John Domenic Caggiula Memorial Scholarship
- Kevin and Christy Kelly Scholarship
- Sal Iacono Family Bursary Endowment Fund
- Truelove Dell Scholarship Fund
- Ursula Carsen Scholarship
- Erica Vanclief Memorial Scholarship
- Vigneswaran Scholarship
- Karen, Mark and Quinn Smith Scholarship

Please visit the scholarships page for more information, criteria and the online application.

If you have any further questions, please contact Olivia at scholarships@easterseals.org.

### Black History Gala - 2025

Friday April 11, 2025

15338 Leslie St, Aurora, ON L4G 7C4, Canada

Exciting News! Black History Gala Coming This April! Children 15 & Under are Free! Take advantage of our Early Bird Prices until February 25, 2025—buy early and save \$20 on your tickets! After this date, regular prices will apply.

Get tickets today!

**Link to website** 



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# Understanding and Navigating the Education System



presented by

THE CENTRE FOR BLACK STUDENT EXCELLENCE

### Families of YRDSB Black Students Monthly Information Session

Monday, March 24, 2025 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Families, parents, caregivers, please join us for our monthly virtual meeting where families with Black children come together to learn about resources and upcoming programs for Black students in both elementary and secondary schools.

#### Agenda:

- Welcome and Engagement Exercise
- Presentation on YRDSB Speciality **Programs**
- Upcoming Programs and Events
- Question and Answer Session

### Please register ASAP.

A Zoom meeting link will be sent after registration.

Let us come together to empower our students and build a stronger community.

We look forward to seeing you there.





Register now.

If you require further information, please contact 'ackStudentExcellence@yrdsb.ca















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# Trans Day of Visibility Celebration

We invite 2SLGBTQIA+ and ally students, families, and staff of all ages to join us for an evening of community, connection, and celebration as we honour Trans Day of Visibility! This event is free to attend.

Location: Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School, 39 Dunning Ave, Aurora, ON L4G 1A2 Date & Time: Tuesday, March 25, 2025, 6pm-8pm

<b>Hoodie Swap</b>	Community	<b>Art &amp; Activities</b>	Eat	Connect
Bring a	Resources	Express yourself	Enjoy pizza and	Connect
hoodie, take a	Connect	through	snacks during	with peers
hoodie! Find	with local	creative	the event.	and families
comfortable	organizations	stations and		with shared
and affirming	supporting	Queer & Trans		identities and
clothing.	Queer youth &	trivia.	- 16	experiences

### **To Register**

To Register: Attendance is free, but please fill out a <u>registration form</u> by March 18, 2025.

If you have any further questions, please contact: iscs@yrdsb.ca

