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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 Nov 13-17, 2023		
Monday Nov 13th	 MDHS Hosts Elementary Volleyball Tournament in the gym-Mr. Feasby Mid-Term Marks shared with Grade 11 & 12 students. Graduation Photos continue all week in Portable 1. See attached flyer on page 6. Christian Fellowship meeting in room 163 at 3:00 pm-Mr. Kee School (Parent) Council Meeting in the library 7:00-8:30 pm 		
Tuesday Nov 14th	 Standard First Aid/CPR Training SHSM Workshop-Mr. Weinstein Anime Club meeting in room 163, 12:10-1:30 pm-Mr. Kee Anime Club meeting in room 151, 3:00 pm-4:30pm-Ms. Thomas Chess weekly club meeting in the library, 3:00 pm-4:00 pm-Mr. Hamid and Mr. Raffoul 		
Wednesday Nov 15th	 Canadian Senior & Intermediate Math Contest-Mr. Raffoul Chinese Student Association biweekly meeting in room 163 at 3:00 pm – Mr. Kee Eco Club general meeting, room 203, 3:00-4:00 pm-Mrs. Rass Solar Dance Club weekly meeting in room 151, from 3:00 pm-4:00 pm -Ms. Chelvanathan 		
Thursday Nov 16th	 Vocal Music Workshop in room 150-9:35-10:50 am-Mrs. Tam Anime Club in room 163 during P4 lunch-Mr. Kee TSA & DSA Diwali Mixer in the cafeteria from 3:00 pm-6:00 pm Mr. Avery Table Tennis Club meeting in the cafeteria 3:00 pm-4:30 pm-Mr. Kee 		
Friday Nov 17th	PA Day-No classes		

Message from the Business Department

The University of Waterloo is once again hosting the Financial Literacy Competition. The contest runs every December and May and is open to all high school students. The December competition will be held in the first week of December. It is divided into two divisions - junior (grades 9 and 10) and senior (grades 11 and 12). Students will be given a series of questions to answer in a timed format. The University provides resources to help students prepare for the competition. Prizes will be awarded to the top ten students at each grade level. In addition, all eligible participants will receive a levelled Certificate of Achievement. Students who are competing for the first time are eligible for the awards. Students who have competed in the past at the junior level (grade 9 or 10) are eligible to compete in the senior level and are also eligible for awards and recognition. Please email Mrs. Lovell at christina.lovell@yrdsb.ca, if you are interested in participating. For more information, click on the following link https://uwaterloo.ca/school-of-accounting-and-finance/financial-literacy-competition-flc

Best Buddies

Best Buddies will be selling Krispy Kreme donuts to fundraise for this year's Best Buddies Prom! Orders will open on Monday, October 23rd and close on Wednesday, November 15th. Pick up will be on Wednesday, November 29th during all lunches! We are selling them by the dozen for \$16.00. Best Buddies Canada is a national charity that helps promote inclusion and reduce bullying through friendship for individuals with an intellectual or developmental disability (IDD). For the past 28 years, Best Buddies Canada has been in elementary schools, middle schools, high schools, universities, and colleges nationwide. Markham District students with an IDD are paired in one to-one friendships with a peer buddy. Students get to know one another and develop lasting friendships. The Best Buddies group at Markham District High School will be attending the York Region Prom for all of their Best Buddies schools in the region, reaching schools from across the school board and hundreds of students. This event gives students the opportunity to have a prom that is safe, inclusive, and fun. They can connect with other Best Buddies chapters across the region. Your support is greatly appreciated!-Mrs. Takla



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We are excited to announce that our school's very first Mathlete T-Shirt is now available for all students to purchase through School CashOnline. Don't miss out on this chance to show off your math enthusiasm. Pre-ordered your shirt today! The deadline to make a purchase is November 17.

Cost: \$15.50

Sizes Available: S-XL



*Note: These mock-ups are only approximations of how the final product will look.

Due to different sizes and proportions actual finished apparel may look different.



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What's happening in the Technology Classes?

TIJ10 - Grade 9 Exploring Technologies

Students will be completing their blinking LED circuits, finishing their robotics research projects and completing a test to control their Lego robots. Students who are enjoying soldering will complete advanced electronics soldering projects that can be done at lunch.

TCJ2O - Grade 10 Construction Technology

Students of Grade 10 Construction are continuing their work on their Floating Nightstand. This week students will be introduced to the steps required for edge-banding and veneering. Students will also be learning about the safe use of impact drivers, a tool they will be using to fasten their pieces together. The theory portion of the course will have them learning about trusses & roofing, ventilation, and insulation in residential home construction.

TDJ3M1 - Grade 11 Tech Design

Extending from their visual-spatial reasoning exercises from last week students will be learning about technical drawing (i.e. blueprints). Classroom learning will begin with simply identifying features across multiple views of the same object to construct their own technical drawings using the tools and equipment available in class.

TGJ4M - Grade 12 Communications Technology

Students are learning to use Audacity software for audio editing and researching the creation and use of AI generated deep fake audio. Students will experience the creation and detection of deep fake media. This touches on part of a larger unit in which students will investigate the impact of deep fakes on society.



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Mathematics Contests for 2023-2024 (REVISED)

MDHS's Mathematics Department will be running the following contests this year:

Contest	Eligible Grades	Contest Date	Registration Deadline on SchoolCash Online	Fee
Canadian Open Math Challenge (by Canadian Math Society)	11 / 12	Thursday 26th Oct.	Wednesday 5th Oct.	\$31
Canadian Senior Math Contest (by University of Waterloo)	11 / 12	Wednesday 15th Nov.	Monday 16th Oct.	\$15
Canadian Intermediate Math Contest (by University of Waterloo)	9 / 10	Wednesday 16th Nov.	Monday 16th Oct.	\$15
Pascal Contest (by University of Waterloo)	9	Wednesday 28th Feb.	Monday 12th Feb.	\$7
Cayley Contest (by University of Waterloo)	10	Wednesday 28th Feb.	Monday 12th Feb.	\$7
Fermat Contest (by University of Waterloo)	11	Wednesday 28th Feb.	Monday 12th Feb.	\$7
Euclid Contest (by University of Waterloo)	11 / 12	Wednesday 3rd April	Mon 4th March	\$19
Fryer Contests (by University of Waterloo)	9	Thursday 4th April	Monday 4th March	\$13
Galois Contests (by University of Waterloo)	10	Thursday 4th April	Monday 4th March	\$13
Hypatia Contests (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 to make appropriate arrangements.

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

- Canada Lynx Math Competition: https://cms.math.ca/competitions/clmc/
- Canadian Open Mathematics Challenge: https://cms.math.ca/competitions/comc/
- University of Waterloo contests: https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past_contests.html



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PA Day Agenda Friday November 17, 2023

Length: Half Day - AM Topic: Student Well-Being

Entity Hosting: All Regular Secondary Schools (regular SYC)

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): School Administration and Board based personnel

Description:

School Teams will engage in learning and dialogue on:

• "Miss, Dismiss, Avoid: Psychological Barriers to Disrupting Racism, Racial Trauma and how to counteract it".

School teams will engage in School Improvement planning facilitated by school leaders. Topics will vary by subject and may include:

- Implementation of the grade 10 computer science curriculum
- High yield instructional strategies in the de-streamed math, science or English classroom
- Data analysis for school improvement

Length: Half Day - PM

Topic: Curriculum Implementation

Entity Hosting: All Regular Secondary Schools (regular SYC)

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): School Administration and Board based personnel

Description:

Equitable Assessment practices

MLL learning

SIP/Department Meetings

Details: School teams will engage in School Improvement planning facilitated by school

Leaders. Topics will vary by subject and may include:

- Embedding strategies to support teaching multilingual language learners into the curriculum.
- Embedding subject specific high yield strategies into instruction and assessment
- Data analysis for school improvement

School Teams will continue to engage in School Improvement Planning that supports the Implementation of equitable assessment practices, curriculum changes and instructional Strategies to support students in the de-streamed classroom

Clubs Board

Our Clubs Board is under construction but is currently populated with information squares of most of the clubs at MDHS as well as a contact sheet. Each square contains information on what the club does, when/where they meet and the staff supervisor. The Clubs Board is located in the hall just west of the Main Office. See next page for all our clubs.





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Name of Club or Council	Meeting Day	Staff Advisor
Solar Dance Club	Tuesday 3:00pm	Ms. Kimberly De Irish Baugh
L.E.A.D.	Tuesdays After School	Ms. Ahmed and Ms. Chelvanathan
Chess Club	Tuesdays After School in Library	Mr. Raffoul and Mr. Hamid.
HOSA	Monday	Mark Sewell
Drugs and Alcohol Awareness Club	Friday	Ms. Borovicka
PRISM	Biweekly Thursdays	Mr. Stetina, Mrs. Lam, Mr. Tizzard
Chinese Student Association CSA	Every other Wednesday	Vernon Kee
Health & Wellness	Thursdays	Jesse Keyes-Renaud
DECA	Wednesdays	Ms. Webber
Muslim Student Association	Monday	Jamil Ahmad
MDHS AV Team	When necessary	Mr. Avery
Classics Club	Friday	Mr. Mclaren
Markham Christian Fellowship	Monday	Mr. Kee, Mr. Nieh, Mr. Hartslief
Desi Student Association (DSA)	Bi-Weekly Thursdays	Ms. Puri
Anime Club	Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays	Vernon Kee
MSA (Muslim Student Ass.)	Bi-Weekly Mondays	Mr. Ahmad
PRISM	Bi-weekly meetings Thursday afterschool in Room 107 (next meeting Oct 19)	Mr. Stetina, Ms. Lam, Mr. Tizzard
Peer Mentors	Thursday	Ms. McGill, Ms. Rass, Ms. McLean
American Sign Language Club	Monday	Ms. Rosalle
Markham Basketball Association	Friday	Mr. Zhang
Best Buddies	Wednesday	Ms. Takla, Ms. Tanus, Ms. Turney
Computer Science Club	Thursday	Mr. Berry
Debate Club	Monday	Mr. Hodgins
Multicultural Awareness Club	Wednesday	Mr. Lau
Markham Business Opportunities		Ms. Patel
Puzzle/Logic Club	Tuesday	Mr. Raffoul
Running Club	Wednesday	Ms. Belcastro
STEAM	Wednesday	Mr. Avery, Linda Lam
Table Tennis Club	Thursday	Mr. Kee
Women's Empowerment Club	Thursday	Ms. Lovell
Youth Volunteering Initiative	Monday	Mr. Butler

Please have your child contact Staff Advisor for more detailed information if interested or refer to the TV screens around the schools for up to date information about what's happen in the school on a weekly basis.



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Get your 2023-2024 yearbook for \$50 on

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Hello 2024 Graduates



Capture this exciting time with beautiful

Graduation Photos by FOCUS IMAGING...

We are coming to your school

Photo Session

Please bring \$35.00. Payment is by cash or cheque made payable to Focus Imaging Inc. (We cannot accept post-dated cheques.)

This Session includes the following:

- 1) Your Graduation Photo session will include the photography session for up to 10 different poses. Our photography sessions include gowns, flowers, diplomas, books, and Graduation caps. Your images will be available online for viewing and ordering after all Graduates are photographed. All ordering instructions will be communicated, via School Email, after all sessions have been completed.
- 2) An 11x14 <u>Class Composite</u>. This Class Composite will be distributed at the 2024 Graduating Commencement.
- *Please note, these images will also be provided for the Yearbook in addition to the 2024 Graduating Class Composite. Graduation Photos begin now to meet all the Yearbook deadlines. These products will be produced, subject to the approval of your school* All Graduates must be photographed to be included.*

* Free Session *

If you wish to be photographed for the Yearbook and Composite only, this service is free of charge. One pose only.



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For Best Results, We Suggest:

A white or light-coloured collared blouse and pay special attention to your hair and nails. If you are wearing a necklace, please make sure the closing clasp is to the back of your neck.

A dress shirt, preferably white, and a tie. Pay special attention to your hair. A clean shaven or well- kept beard work best. Please make sure your tie covers the top button of your shirt.

Please Note: We will have a mirror for you to check for any last- minute adjustments, however, we will no longer be providing shirts, blouses, or ties.

*************<u>Your hair is your responsibility</u>********

Only the scheduled student will be allowed in the Photography Room. This strict protocol will be followed. We thank you for your patience and understanding in advance.

*************IMPORTANT**********

Please arrive 10 minutes early and ready! Due to the limited time and number of Graduates, we cannot accommodate any late arrivals.

If you cannot make your appointment or are late, please call 416.593.6287 or email info@focusimaging.ca

The scheduled days are limited, and we cannot guarantee any additional appointments will be available, if you are making changes

DO NOT MISS YOUR APPOINTMENT, AS SPOTS ARE LIMITED



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