



Markham District High School
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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.

REMINDER Secondary Schools do not use Edsby for Attendance

Week of Nov 4th-8th, 2024	
Monday Nov 4th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Boys Volleyball team to Hodan Nalayeh S.S, leaving MDHS at 2:15 pm, game at 3:45 pm, taxis picking up at 5:45 pm-McLean Varsity Boys Football Team Hosts York Memorial, 12:30-5:00 pm, Game at 2:00 pm-S. Hartsliel
Tuesday Nov 5th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
Wednesday Nov 6th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last Day of Semester 1-Term 1 (Civics and Careers) Grade 9 Take your Kids to Work Day-Guidance Department Grade 8 Take your Kids to High School Day-Guidance Department Solar Dance Club Meeting in Cafeteria –S. Chelvanathan SAA Meeting in the Library Open Space-S. Whittaker STEM Club Meeting-M. Avery and L. Lam
Thursday Nov 7th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Day of Semester 1-Term 2 (Civics and Careers) Fire Drill #3-Period TBD Jr. Boys Volleyball Team to Pierre Elliott Trudeau H.S for playoffs, taxis leaving at 7:00 am, taxis picking up at 5:00 pm-H. McLean Law class to Superior Court of Canada, bus leaving MDHS 8:15 am, return pick up time 1:15 pm-S. Sharma University & College Application Session-Period 5 in the Cafeteria-A. Flikas PRISM (FSA Club) weekly meeting in room 107-G. Stetina STEM Club-Medical Question Panel-3:00-4:00 pm in room 151-M. Avery Post Secondary Fair Stouffville District High School 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Friday Nov 8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Drill #3 Rain Date Tamil Student Association (TSA) Club weekly meeting in the Cafeteria-M. Avery

**** Please note that dates and times of sporting events may change closer to the date. Link to York Region Athletics Association for information about Team games <http://www.yraa.com/src/>**



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Before and After School Math Department Extra Help

Morning 7:30-8:00am		Room 227			
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Grade Focus	Gr.9-10	Gr.9-12	Gr.9-11	Gr.9-10	Gr.9-12
	Mrs. Cylka	Ms. Tsang	Ms. Patel	Mr. Zhang	Mr. Balzer
After School 3:00-3:30pm		Room 225			
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Grade Focus	Gr.9-12	Gr.9-12	Gr.9-11	Gr.9-12	Gr.9-11
	Mr. Ahmad	Ms. Lam	Mr. Kwok	Ms. Teng	Mr. Kwok
		Mr. Hsia (Gr9-11,12 Data)		Mr. Hsia (Gr9-11,12 Data)	

Note: We encourage you to attend extra help session on day(s) your teacher is supervising.

Krispy Kreme fundraiser for Best Buddies Prom

Best Buddies is selling Krispy Kreme donuts to fundraise for the Best Buddies Prom coming up! Orders are open on School Cash Online from October 23rd and will close on November 13th. Pick-up will be on Wednesday, November 20th! We are selling them by the dozen for \$16.00. Your support is greatly appreciated!

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 29 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 which is for all of the 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.

DECA is selling Poinsettias from October 21, 2024 to Friday November 15, 2024

Poinsettia Fundraiser
 IN SUPPORT OF DECA

- 4.5" Red - \$7
- 6" Red Standard Table Size - \$10
- 8" Red Table/Floor Size - \$22.50
- 10" Red Premium Floor Size - \$32.50
- Grinch Tree (14-15") - \$30

All purchases can be made on School Cash Online
 All proceeds support MDHS DECA Chapter's Provincial Competition

Pick-up on Friday November 29, 2024 from 2:50 pm to 5:30 pm in the Library



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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):				
Canadian Senior Math Contest	11 / 12	Wednesday 13th November 2024	Tuesday 15th October 2024	\$15
Canadian Intermediate Math Contest	9 / 10			
Pascal Contest	9	Wednesday 26th February 2025	Thursday 6th February 2025	\$7
Cayley Contest	10			
Fermat Contest	11			
Euclid Contest	11 / 12	Wednesday 2nd April 2025	Monday 3rd March 2025	\$19
Fryer Contest	9	Thursday 3rd April 2025	Monday 3rd March 2025	\$13
Galois Contest	10			
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: <https://cms.math.ca/competitions/comc/>
- University of Waterloo contests: https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past_contests.html




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STOUFFVILLE DSS PROUDLY
HOSTS THIS YEAR'S

POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION FAIR

NOVEMBER 7TH, 2024

 *801 Hoover Park Drive*

 *6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.*

PANELS

6:30-8:05 p.m.

Come hear from various
college, university & trade
representatives

FAIR


8:15-9:00 p.m.


Booths will be set up in
the gym where reps can
provide materials &
answer any questions

Stouffville DSS
will host the tri-
school event with Bill
Hogarth SS and
Markham District HS

**OVER 30 INSTITUTIONS WILL
BE JOINING US!**

For more information:

 **905-640-1433 EXT. 1194**

 **efy.marinis@yrdsb.ca**



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2024-2025 START UP FORMS

Each year we ask families to complete **important start-up forms**. <https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/> 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.**

The [Guide to the School Year](https://www2.yrdsb.ca/school-year-guide) has been moved online. We encourage families to review this webpage as it includes important information you may need to access throughout the school year. You can use the translation feature on the website to translate this content. It is available at <https://www2.yrdsb.ca/school-year-guide>.

Student Activity Fee

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to offer your child the chance to make the most of their high school experience at Markham District High School by paying the **optional \$40 Student Activity Fee (SAF)**, now available via School Cash Online.

This small fee goes a long way in enriching your student's life at MDHS. It supports a wide range of events and activities designed to make high school fun and memorable, while also providing discounts and special incentives. By paying the SAF, your child will benefit from:

- **Discounts** on key MDHS events such as Semi-Formals, FallFest, SummerFest, and more!
- Exclusive **free incentives** available only to SAF contributors.
- **Enhanced opportunities** for clubs and extracurricular activities.

For parents of students involved in clubs, it's important to note that funding for clubs is linked to how many of their members have paid the SAF. The more students who contribute, the more resources their clubs will have to run exciting and enriching programs. Your support can make a real difference in sustaining these opportunities for your child and their peers.

We encourage you to take advantage of this chance to support your child's high school journey. You can easily contribute via **School Cash Online** by selecting the **\$40 Student Activity Fee**.

Thank you for being a key part of creating an enriching and unforgettable high school experience at Markham District High School.

Family Dashboard **NEW**

We are pleased to introduce the YRDSB family portal called the Family Dashboard. The dashboard will give you secure one-stop access to information and applications related to your child's education. It is designed to make it easier for families to engage with their child's education. In this first phase, the dashboard will include secure access to report cards and links to useful information for parents/guardians. **You should have received an email from YRDSB Update inviting you to register for the dashboard.** Please ensure your school office has your up-to-date email address. We also encourage parents/guardians to have individual email addresses to access the Family Dashboard, rather than one shared email address.

Accessing Support

More information, instructions and frequently asked questions are available on the [Board website Family Dashboard Help Page](#). **A translation tool is available on the Board website that will translate this information into over 80 languages.**

A call centre is also available to support you with setting up your account. The call centre will be available:

- October 24, 28, 29, November 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21st – from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Contact:

- Newmarket and Northern York Region: 289-340-0036
- GTA/Toronto: 647-749-4324

For additional support, you can also email: FamilyDashboardHelp@yrdsb.ca.



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City of Markham

School Zone Safety Guide



Join us at our virtual Public Information Centre!

Do you have concerns about road safety near schools in your area? Share your ideas to make school zones safer.

November 12, 2024 at 6:00 pm



markham.ca/SchoolZoneSafety



Markham School Zone Safety Guide

Provide your input at the Virtual Public Information Session

Join the project team at the [Virtual Public Information Centre](#) on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 6 pm EST. Register [here](#) ([External link](#)).

City of Markham School Zone Safety Guide - Survey

Markham School Zone Safety Guide – The City wants to hear from you!

Your opinion matters in making school zones and routes safer! Share your thoughts on the challenges of travelling to and from school, and how the City can improve safety in the neighbourhood.

Please take a moment to complete the [survey](#) ([External link](#)). Together, we can create a safer environment for school communities!

Health Care Plans

If your student has a medical condition that you would like the school to be aware of, please complete the required forms on our website and return to the main office as soon as possible.

Link to Forms: <http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/markhamdistrict.hs/NewsEvents/Pages/Newsletters.aspx>

Thank you to all the parents that have already done so.



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Exploring Family, Community & Love: YRDSB Family Day at Toronto Holocaust Museum (Grades 4+)



Right photo by Shay Markowitz for the Toronto Holocaust Museum

TORONTO HOLOCAUST MUSEUM

Date: Sunday, November 17th

Time: 1:30pm - 4:00pm

Contact: education@thethm.org

Registration Form: bit.ly/YRDSBFamilyDayTHM

Address: 4588 Bathurst St., Sherman Campus, North York, ON M2R 1W6

This program is open to YRDSB families with children in grades 4-12. Please be aware that this is not a drop-off program and all students participating are to be attended with a parent or guardian.

Join Toronto Holocaust Museum (THM) and York Region District School Board (YRDSB) for a Family Sunday at the Museum. This afternoon at the museum will focus on meaningful learning about the history of the Holocaust and explore themes related to Family and Love. Age-appropriate activities will be featured for families with children in fourth grade and older throughout the Museum and Learning Lab. Activities include, reflective artmaking projects such as creating custom buttons reflecting on love and journal making that explore the themes of family history. Additionally, families can look forward to a special museum tour, with family members of Holocaust survivors who have contributed artifacts featured in the exhibition who will share the importance of these objects to their families. There will also be an opportunity to hear the age-appropriate story of Holocaust survivors' survival and immigration to Canada, with an opportunity to ask questions.



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Information Session for Tamil Families

Support your child's success!



Looking to better support your child academically, emotionally, and socially?

Join us for an information session discussing:

- Ways to support your children's academic achievements and emotional well-being
- Student services, including Tamil-specific supports available at YRDSB
- Getting connected and accessing community resources

Date: November 12, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Location: Milliken Mills High School



This information session will be delivered in Tamil and English, featuring speakers from:

- Speech-Language Pathology Services
- Psychological Services
- Community Navigation
- Social Work Services for the Tamil Diaspora
- Tamil Community and Partnership Development Services



To Register

Please fill out a [registration form](#) by **November 8, 2024**.

For questions or accommodation requests,
please contact nijatha.subramaniam@yrdsb.ca
or iscs@yrdsb.ca

