



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 Sept 9-13th, 2024	
Monday Sept 9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All course change requests for students to be submitted by end of day Christian Fellowship meeting in room 163 at 3:00-4:00 pm-Mr. Kee
Tuesday Sept 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caring and Safe Schools Assembly All Gr. 11 Students Period 1, Gr. 10 Period 2 in the cafeteria
Wednesday Sept 11th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caring and Safe Schools Assembly All Gr. 12 Students Period 1 in the cafeteria Music Department is hosting a welcome event for all students after school in the music room.
Thursday Sept 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
Friday Sept 13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Photo Day for all grades

Message from the Guidance Department

Join our [MDHS Guidance Google Classroom](#) for ALL Guidance Information. Information about volunteer hours, university, college, apprenticeship programs, mental health supports, and much more! **Join:** [g7d6eud](#)

Construction on Church St. **Reminder**

Church Street has been closed east of the school and is an active construction site. This construction will continue for the majority of the school year. Please review the attached notice and traffic plan.

Your child's safety is very important to us and we ask that all students and families adhere to the following:

- Please follow all of the signs, including the detour routes. Do not enter the construction area and maintain a safe distance from all active construction equipment.
- All vehicles must access the school from the west side of Church Street (Elm Street). There is no access from Wooten Way and cars will not be permitted to drive through the construction site to get to the school.
- All drop off and pick ups should be at the front of the school. Cars should enter the parking lot using the first entrance and exit through the second entrance. Please do not drive where the pylons have been placed.
- Students biking or walking to school should not travel through the construction site. We have received reports that students are biking near the heavy equipment and this is very dangerous. Please use other roads and walking paths to access the school.
- Students should always use the sidewalks and cross the road at a stop sign. We ask that students using the path west of the school on the north side of Church Street to NOT cross the road in front of traffic. Students will need to walk to Elm Street to cross the road at the stop sign. The sidewalk on the south side of Church Street has now been fully paved and accessible from Elm Street.

We recognize that the construction will have a significant impact on the traffic on Church Street and in the school parking lot. We thank you for your patience, understanding and cooperation during the construction period.



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Mathematics Contests for 2024 - 2025

Contest	Eligible Grades	Contest Date	SchoolCash Deadline	Fee
Canadian Math Society:				
Canada Lynx Math Competition	all	Thursday 3rd October 2024	Thursday 12th September 2024	\$13
Canadian Open Math Challenge	11 / 12	Wednesday 30th October 2024	Thursday 10th October 2024	\$31
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:

- 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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Message from Our Trustee

September 2024

Welcome to the start of the 2024-2025 school year. We are so pleased to welcome all of our new and returning students and families to a new school year.

How Trustees Help

As school board trustees, we have a number of [roles and responsibilities](#), including setting policies and budget and advocating for quality public education. My responsibilities also include communicating with the public. I will continue to keep you informed throughout the school year through these regular newsletters. You can also reach out to me directly. Learn more about [how we can help](#) and [how you can reach me](#) if you have any questions or concerns.

You can also stay up-to-date with school board news and events through school communications, social media (X [@YRDSB](#) and [Instagram @yrdsb.schools](#)), our [newsroom](#) and Board podcast [TuneIn YRDSB](#).

Our Priorities as a School Board

One of our responsibilities as a Board of Trustees is also setting the Multi-Year Strategic Plan. This plan outlines the priorities that will guide our work as a school board for the next several years. We want to thank the many students, family and staff members and community partners who shared feedback in the spring that was used to inform the development of the plan. Some key themes emerged in the feedback that families will see reflected in the plan, including a clear focus on student achievement and well-being. We look forward to sharing more with you very soon.

A New School Year

The start of a new school year is a time of transition - whether your child is starting elementary or secondary school for the first time, entering a new program, moving to a new school or beginning a new grade. The caring, dedicated and professional staff members who work in our system are here to help support your child through this transition. Please feel free to reach out to your child's teachers or the school to speak about your child's transition and the supports that are available.

We also recognize that transitions can take place throughout September. Elementary schools may be required to adjust some classes due to enrollment changes and class size restrictions. In secondary school, schools may also see timetable requests and adjustments in the first few weeks. These are occurrences that happen each fall and schools do their best to be responsive and to minimize the effects of any changes on students.

Partnerships with Families

We value the essential partnership between schools and families and want to ensure that families are aware of the many resources available. Our [family resources page](#), available from the homepage of www.yrdsb.ca, gives you quick access to platforms that we use, tips and information, the [Guide to the School Year](#) and [student learning resources](#). It also includes resources for [newcomers](#), [translation information](#) and much more. We are also working on a dedicated new family portal to make it easier for families to engage with their child's education. To ensure you receive notifications and updates, please make sure the school has your up-to-date email address. If you are not receiving emails, please contact your school to confirm. More information will be shared in the coming months. I wish you and your family all the very best for a safe, successful and enjoyable 2024-2025 school year, and look forward to communicating with you in the months ahead.

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The YRDSB has a tool on its website (www.yrdsb.ca) to provide translation of school board information in about 100 languages.

Arabic	لدى مجلس إدارة مدارس منطقة يورك (YRDSB) أداة على موقعه الإلكتروني (www.yrdsb.ca) لترجمة معلومات مجلس إدارة المدارس إلى حوالي 100 لغة.
Farsi	هیئت مدارس منطقه یورک YRDSB ابزاری برای ارائه ترجمه اطلاعات هیئت مدارس را به حدود 100 زبان در وبسایت (www.yrdsb.ca) خود دارد.
Gujarati	YRDSB નું ઢૂલ તેઓની વેબસાઇટ (www.yrdsb.ca) પર છે જે આશરે 100 ભાષાઓમાં સ્કૂલ બોર્ડ માહિતીનું ભાષાંતર પૂરું પાડે છે.
Hebrew	באתר האינטרנט של YRDSB (www.yrdsb.ca) קיים כלי המתרגם מידע של מועצת בתי הספר ל-100 שפות.
Korean	YRDSB는 웹사이트(www.yrdsb.ca)에는 교육위원회 정보를 100여개 언어로 번역해주는 도구가 있습니다.
Punjabi	ਸਕੂਲ ਬੋਰਡ ਜਾਨਕਾਰੀ ਦਾ ਅੰਦਾਜ਼ਾ 100 ਭਾਸ਼ਾਵਾਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਟਰਾਂਜਲੇਸ਼ਨ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ YRDSB ਕੋਲ ਅੰਬੀ ਵੈੱਬ ਸਾਈਟ (www.yrdsb.ca) 'ਤੇ ਠੋਲ ਮੌਜੂਦ ਹੈ.
Russian	На веб-сайте YRDSB (www.yrdsb.ca) предусмотрен инструмент для перевода информации Школьного совета примерно на 100 языков.
Simplified Chinese	YRDSB的网站(www.yrdsb.ca)上提供一种翻译工具，可将教育局的信息翻译成大约100种语言。
Tamil	YRDSB அதன் இணையத் தளமாகிய (www.yrdsb.ca) இல் பாலசாலைச் சபைத் தகவல்களை, சுமார் 100 மொழிகளில் மொழிபெயர்ப்பதற்கான ஒரு கருவியைக் கொண்டுள்ளது.
Traditional Chinese	YRDSB 網站 (www.yrdsb.ca) 上設有一個工具，可將教育局資訊翻譯成約 100 種語言。
Turkish	YRDSB'nin web sitesinde (www.yrdsb.ca) okul yönetim kurulu bilgilerinin yaklaşık 100 dilde çevirisini sağlayan bir araç bulunmaktadır.
Urdu	YRDSB کے پاس اس کی ویب سائٹ (www.yrdsb.ca) پر سکول بورڈ کی معلومات تقریباً 100 زبانوں میں ترجمہ کرنے کی خاطر ایک ٹول موجود ہے۔
Vietnamese	YRDSB có một công cụ trên trang web (www.yrdsb.ca) để cung cấp bản dịch của các thông tin từ hội đồng trường học sang khoảng 100 ngôn ngữ.