



GUIDANCE BULLETIN

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APPOINTMENTS

Please note that from Wednesday, January 22 (first day of exams) until the first day of Semester 2 Guidance Counsellors will be operating on a DROP IN basis.

Students will NOT be able to book appointments using TeachAssist during this time. Regular appointment bookings will resume once Semester 2 begins.

Semester 2 changes will continue to happen until late January.

Once semester 2 starts, NO further changes will be made to timetables.

Note: Semester 2 timetables will be sent to students' gapps accounts the week of January 27th.



OUAC application deadline – January 15, 2025
OCAS application deadline—February 1, 2025
(for equal consideration)

Important Upcoming Dates!

January 13	Therapy dogs visit MDHS students (drop in)
January 22 – 28	First semester Exam period
January 29	Regular school day
January 30	Exam Review Day (modified day)
January 31	PA Day — no classes
February 3	Semester 2 begins



Please check our guidance website for updates:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/markhamdistrict.hs/guidance/Pages/default.aspx>



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Mental Health Awareness

If you have an immediate concern and you feel that your child is in crisis, please contact one of the following links or phone numbers.:

- 310-COPE: 905-310-COPE (2673) or 1-855-310-COPE (2673),
- <https://www.yssn.ca/> - available 24/7
- KidsHelpPhone: 1-800-668-6868, text 686868 — <https://kidshelpphone.ca> - available 24/7
- call 911 if immediate assistance is required.

Guidance Google Classroom

Join our **MDHS Guidance Google Classroom** for all information guidance related: university, college, apprenticeship information, volunteer opportunities, mental health supports and much more.

Join with this code: **g7d6eud**

Post Secondary Information

SCHULICH LEADERS Scholarship — Due: January 14th, 2025 (2:50 pm)

Deadline for application to be received in Guidance (for school sponsorship consideration).

All details have been posted on the Scholarship Google Classroom.

Semester 2 Night School

Traditional in class face-to-face Night School program has moved to a remote learning delivery model. The program will be delivered virtually in real-time (**synchronous**).

- Classes are held on **Tuesday and Thursday** evenings from **6:30—9:45 p.m.**
- Before the start of the program, students will receive an email with instructions on how to join the class on the first day.
- YRDSB students will log in with their gapps accounts .

**Decisions to run courses are based on sufficient enrollment and teacher availability*

Semester Two - Winter 2025 - Registration opens on December 16, 2024

Courses will run from February 13, 2025 to June 5, 2025

Please see your alpha counsellor if you wish to register for Night School for Semester 2.

*** Please note that Board practice does not permit you to remove a course, compulsory or otherwise, that fits on your day school timetable to take elsewhere (ie. night school)**