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schools/
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guidance/Pages/
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We also have a
Guidance Google Site:

[https://sites.google.com/
gapps.yrdsb.ca/
mdhsguidance/home](https://sites.google.com/gapps.yrdsb.ca/mdhsguidance/home)

(must be in your student's
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APPOINTMENTS

Students can make appointments online using Teach Assist.

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SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer school registration opened **April 11, 2023**.

Once registered, you **do NOT need** to print the sign off form that is provided. Instead, parents/guardians will receive a confirmation email. Students can only take **one** acceleration course during the summer session. Transportation is **not** provided for this program.

If your student has registered for a summer school course that was also **selected in their course selections** for next year, then one of their **alternate courses** will be used as a replacement to their course selection.

If your student is unable to complete this summer course, we will **attempt** to schedule the course back to their timetable in September. However, **guidance cannot guarantee** that there will be a seat available in the original course selected.

Important Upcoming Dates!

Summer school registration opens:	April 11
OCAS transmission:	April 28
OUAC transmission:	April 27
Mid-Term Report cards:	Distributed electronically between May 3—5
Full disclosure date:	May 12





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Post-Secondary Information

GRADUATION AWARDS

All Grade 12 students who will meet the Ontario Secondary School Diploma requirements by the end of the school year are invited to apply for a number of **Graduation Awards** that are made possible through the continued support and interest of individuals, organizations, businesses and industries in our community. Awards are available for students moving forward in the various pathways (**Apprenticeship, College, University, Workplace**).

All awards must be applied for through the Google form that will be emailed on **Monday, April 24**. Students must be logged into their Gapps account to access the form. Applicants are to complete the required questions for each individual award to be considered. Be sure to read the required expectations for each of the awards provided within the description. If you have any questions about the Graduation Awards, please contact your Guidance Counsellor.

You may only apply for a maximum of **3 self-nominated awards**

All applications are due by **Monday, May 8, 2023 by 4:00 p.m.**

[No late submissions will be considered.](#)

IMPORTANT DATES for UNIVERSITY APPLICANTS

- May 29** – Deadline for universities to make an offer admission, refusal or deferral
- June 1** – Deadline for students to accept on offer of admission
- Early June** – School-specific deadlines for students to make a financial commitment (deposit for tuition and/or residence) to their chosen university
- June 5** – Students who did not receive an offer of admission may begin to use the AIS system to search available programs (see your Counsellor for details)

IMPORTANT DATES for COLLEGE APPLICANTS

May 1, 2023: Deadline to Confirm Offers of Admission— Applicants must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission by this date. Log in to your ontariocolleges.ca account to [confirm your offer](#).

Colleges may extend offers of admission after this date. Each college will set the deadline to confirm offers made after May 1, and this deadline will be communicated to you with your offer.

June 2023: Tuition Deposit Due at the Colleges— The colleges require payment of a tuition deposit in June to secure a spot in your program. Each college sets its own tuition deposit amount and payment deadline. This information will be communicated to you by the college.

SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

The latest issue of the Scholarship Report contains listings with June/July deadlines as well as updates to scholarships listed in previous newsletters. The scholarships are listed according to application submission deadline. Just a reminder: All scholarships are linked directly to the scholarship's website. Just click on the name of the scholarship. In order to view, please use the following password if prompted, **scholar1**

<https://seekingscholarships.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/TSR-APR23-FINAL-3.pdf>



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Summer Learning Opportunities

Information regarding summer learning opportunities can be found on the YRDSB website:
Schools and Programs \rightleftarrows Secondary School \rightleftarrows Summer Learning Opportunities

ONLINE LEARNING

Courses that are specifically designed to be taught in a **fully online format**. Online Learning Secondary Summer School will be listed as **Sec - Summer Online Learning (Asynchronous)** in MyPathwayPlanner.

Dates: July 4 - July 27

Hours: Flexible (6 hours per day minimum)

IN-PERSON LEARNING—REGISTER ON MY PATHWAY PLANNER

Courses will be offered in a **face-to-face** learning model. Course offerings are not guaranteed as they are subject to sufficient enrolment, classroom and teacher availability.

Dates: July 5 - July 28

Hours: 8:45 am to 3:33 pm—Includes two 15-minute scheduled breaks and a 40-minute lunch period

Locations: Markham District HS, Milliken Mills HS, Newmarket HS, Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS, Richmond Green SS, Stephen Lewis SS, Sutton District HS, and Tommy Douglas SS.

REMOTE LEARNING REINFORCEMENT COURSES (9 days per session)

For students who have not successfully earned the credit and have achieved a mark between 35% and 49% and are **recommended by their Principal for a reinforcement course**.

Dates: Session 1 - July 5 - July 17

Session 2 - July 18 - July 28

Hours: 8:45 am to 3:33 pm



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Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)

UPCOMING SHSM OPPORTUNITIES

April 24—University of Guelph field trip. This will count as a Reach Ahead and an Experiential Learning.

April 26—University of Guelph-Humber field trip. This will count as a Reach Ahead and an Experiential Learning.

May 5—Standard First Aid - CPR-C (mandatory SHSM training) on the PD Day - If you wish to participate, please complete and submit the form sent to your gapps email. If you did not receive the email, please contact Mr. Weinstein in the Guidance office. This training is only for SHSM students.

May 24—If you are interested in earning a certification for GIS Mapping (this is an elective certification), we will be having a full day workshop at MDHS run by EcoSpark.

May 26—Full day/2 workshops run by Beanstalk at MDHS for training in Customer Service and Conflict Resolution. If you wish to participate and are not taking coop this semester, please see Mr. Weinstein for a permission form.

SHSM APPLICATION for SEPTEMBER 2023

Grade 10 students interested in registering for SHSM for next year as well as grade 11 students who have taken coop this year or who plan to take coop next year are welcome to sign up for SHSM. ***Please note, if you are already in SHSM, you do NOT have to reregister. Feel free to speak to Mr. Weinstein for additional information.

Students are encouraged to complete their SHSM applications for next year and they may have an opportunity to participate in activities scheduled for this year.

Complete the application from this link: bit.ly/YRDSBShSMapp

SHSM SECTORS at MDHS

Appropriate for all pathways (apprenticeship, college, university and workplace)



Arts & Culture
Construction
Health & Wellness
Horticulture & Landscaping
Non-Profit
Transportation



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BRINGING STEM TO LIFE: WORK-INTEGRATED LEARNING PROGRAMS

*Summer
2023*

**Are you a high school student entering Grades 11 or 12?
Get paid while working with k2i academy on a
STEM research project and pursuing a Grade 11 (3U) or
Grade 12 (4C) Physics credit.**

Students will be selected by their school board and priority will be given to underrepresented students in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields including: Black and Indigenous youth, and women.

ARE YOU INTERESTED? LEARN MORE HERE.



To apply (copy & paste link):

https://drive.google.com/file/d/17CbPZZobh8qQiyb7m_rYO2p1_U-vibdi/view



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Bringing STEM To Life: Work-Integrated Learning Programs

k2i academy | Lassonde School of Engineering



SUMMER 2023 W-IL PHYSICS PROGRAM INFORMATION

k2i academy in York University's Lassonde School of Engineering is looking for high school students entering Grade 11 or 12 interested in participating in a unique virtual work-integrated learning (W-IL) opportunity while pursuing a Grade 11 University (3U) or Grade 12 College (4C) physics credit.

DATES: Wednesday, July 5 through Tuesday, August 1, 2023

WORK HOURS: Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m.

RATE OF PAY: \$14.60/hour

LOCATION: In-Person: July 5, July 31, and August 1, 2023
Virtual: July 6 to July 28, 2023

OTHER REQUIREMENTS: At the time of registration, participants must:

- Legally be able to work in Canada
- Have a valid Social Insurance Number
- Have a personal bank account

Students will be selected by their school board and priority will be given to underrepresented students in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields including: Black and Indigenous youth, and women.

A virtual mandatory session for students and their parents will be held on Monday, May 29, 2023.



To apply (copy & paste link):

https://drive.google.com/file/d/17CbpZZobh8qQiyb7m_rYO2p1_U-vibdi/view