

GUIDANCE 17 BULLETIN 2023

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Please visit our Guidance website for updates: <u>http://www.yrdsb.ca/</u> <u>schools/</u> <u>markhamdistrict.hs/</u> <u>guidance/Pages/</u> default.aspx

We also have a Guidance Google Site: <u>https://sites.google.com/</u> <u>gapps.yrdsb.ca/</u> <u>mdhsguidance/home</u> (must be in your student's gapps account to access the Guidance Google Site)

APPOINTMENTS

Students can make appointments online using Teach Assist.

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Guidance office hours: Monday - Friday 7:45am - 3:45pm Phone# (905) 294-1886 plus extension provided above.

Important Notice

ATTENTION ALL GRADE 12 STUDENTS:

- If you need help accepting and/or declining university or college offers please see your Guidance counsellor.
- We strongly recommend that all students check their OUAC/OCAS accounts for accuracy, including your graduation status. Please report any discrepancies to your Guidance counsellor immediately.
- There are a large number of students who have not completed their graduation requirement of 40 hours of Community Service. All hours must be submitted by the end of MAY in order to ensure your graduation status is not in jeopardy. Please make an appointment with your Guidance counsellor if you have any questions or concerns.





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Post-Secondary Information

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 <u>confirm your offer</u>. 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.

OSAP (Ontario Student Assistance Program)

OSAP is now open and available for any interested students who wish to make an account/register. See the link below to proceed with your registration. The OSAP website also has FAQs and lots of good information for students (including an information module which walks you through the process and must be completed before you start the actual application).

https://www.ontario.ca/page/osap-ontario-student-assistance-program

Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

May 24: Ecospark — This is a full day training and experiential learning at MDHS. Earn a certification and learn about GPS/GIS Mapping and environmental issues. If you wish to attend, please see Mr. Weinstein in Guidance for a permission form.

May 26: **Beanstalk** — They will once again be here all day doing 2 certifications: Conflict Resolution and Customer Service. If you are in coop this semester, you will be attending for your portion of the day. If you wish to attend (either the full day or you are not in coop but wish to attend), please see Mr. Weinstein in Guidance for a permission form.



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Apply to SHSM: bit.ly/YRDSBSHSMapp



SHSM Sectors

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

Why consider SHSM?

- Customize secondary school education to suit interests and skills
- Complete sector recognized certifications to build your resume
- Prepare for post-secondary opportunities
- Explore and refine career goals
- Earn the SHSM Distinction on their OSSD
- Engage in fun, experiential learning with like-minded peers

Specialist High Skills Major: **5** Required Components





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Open to Students in grades 10-12 and their Parents/Guardians

FAST TRACK CAREER EXPO MAY 24, 2023

5:00 pm - 7:15 pm

Sheraton Parkway North, 600 Hwy 7, Richmond Hill



https://yrdsb.cc/FastTrackExpoEvening





KEY NOTE SPEAKER

JOE MUSICCO Professor Pilon School of Business 6:30 PM

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CAREER EXPO OPENS at 5:00 PM! Exhibitors include:

Employment Ontario Service Providers Support Ontario Youth **College of Carpenters: Local 27 LiUNA Local 183** Landscape Ontario **Ontario Construction Careers Alliance** Weins Auto Group Colleges Workforce Planning Board of York Region **York Region Paramedic Unit Richmond Hill Fire & Emergency Services York Regional Police** Millwright Local 2309 Westlake Pipe and Fittings **Operating Engineers Training Institute.....** and many, many MORE!





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