# InspireLearning! Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin





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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Our Guidance Department has been hard at work planning a valuable, informative College and University Fair for our graduating students. Parents and students are welcome to come and learn about the many post-secondary choices available. There will also be a financial planning / OSAP presentation.

We hope you can join us on Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 6:00pm – 8:00pm! Check our <u>school website homepage</u> for the agenda.

### **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT(S)**

The City of Markham is committed to the safety of students attending schools in Markham. Please refer to <u>this link</u> for information about common parking violations and general parking information, which is intended to ensure that Markham's school zones are safe for all students, staff, and residents. Thank you for your commitment to keep our parking lot safe.

### TWEET OF THE WEEK

Thank YOU SAC for outstanding beginning to #worldteachersday. Your CHEERful

 morning greet, and yummy treats fill our bellies and 's
Markville SS Retweeted Markville SMAC @MSSmavericks
Good morning Mavericks! Markville Outdoor Fitness Area is officially open! Come and check it out!

# **DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT**

#### MATH

The Math department welcomes new and returning students and parents to the new semester. The EQAO Math assessment results for 2016-2017 have been published and are available by clicking <u>here</u>. Our students performed extremely well with the results placing Markville SS in the top 5 of York Region schools and the top 5% in the province of Ontario.

Our Mathematics department is constantly searching for new ways to improve and engage student learning. Recently all members participated in a Critical Thinking Workshop to help students think critically, deepen their understanding of concepts and improve problem solving skills.



Math peer tutoring is starting up this semester beginning Thursday October 12<sup>th</sup>. Students can access extra help during Periods 3 and 4 in the Library on Mondays and Wednesdays. After school help is available in room 345 on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The Math club has begun their weekly meetings. Students from all grades are welcome to join. They will be focusing on problem solving techniques to push student understanding of math concepts as well as prepare for math contests. Meetings are held after school in room 341 every Thursday.



Students are invited to participate in the upcoming annual Sunlife Canadian Open Math contest and the University of Waterloo Canadian Senior Mathematics Contests for Grade 11/12 and the Canadian Intermediate Mathematics Contests for Grade 9/10. Registration deadlines are Oct 6 and Oct 27 respectively. The contests will be held in the school cafeteria in November. Students can register at <a href="http://goo.gl/m14yoQ">http://goo.gl/m14yoQ</a> and payment can be made by School Cash Online <a href="http://yrdsb.schoolcashonline.com/">http://goo.gl/m14yoQ</a> and payment can be made by School Cash Online <a href="http://yrdsb.schoolcashonline.com/">http://yrdsb.schoolcashonline.com/</a>. Information on the semester 2 math contests is also available at the provided links.

There is an opportunity for Grade 9 girls to participate in a workshop hosted by the University of Toronto Scarborough campus called Math in Motion ... Girls in Gear on November 25, 2017. This is an annual event for Grade 9 girls to participate in a full-day of hands-on activities and interactive lectures led by female role models in Math, Science and Engineering. Enrollment is limited to 100 girls. The deadline to enroll is Thursday, October 19, 2017. More information can be found at https://www.mimgig.com/



The Professional Engineers of Ontario is hosting their annual AMD Mathletics competition on October 28, 2017. The competition is geared towards challenging Grades 9 and 10 students to solve engineering and science problems using math. More information can be found at <a href="http://www.peoyork.com/committees/education/eng-mathletics">http://www.peoyork.com/committees/education/eng-mathletics</a>

Registration started on Saturday Sep 30, 2017. Registration ends when all seats are sold or Saturday Oct 21, 2017 at 5PM ET whichever comes first.

#### **Community Class at Markham Fair**

Students in the Community Class participated in the Markham Fair Arts and Crafts Contest this year. Each student made four crafts and entered them into the Fair; the crafts consisted of paper bag puppets, rock for your garden, pencil and pen holder and leaf drawings. The class took a field trip to enjoy the festivities at the Fair and to see their art on display. During our trip we saw the farm animals, the Horse Power Live show and enjoyed treats from the vendors.



#### **Upcoming Events**



DATE	School News	Student Life	Arts	Sports & Clubs	Academics	
MONDAY, OCT. 9 <sup>th</sup>	• THANKSGIV	ING – NO SCHO	OL			
TUESDAY, OCT. 10 <sup>th</sup>	SHSM First Aid / CPR (8:20am – 3:00pm)					
	Senior Boys Volleyball (1:50pm – 6:00pm)					
	Home Game – Varsity Boys Soccer (3:45pm – 5:00pm)					

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	•	Home Game – Senior Girls Basketball (4:00pm – 5:15pm)
	•	Field Hockey Game (4:15pm – 6:00pm)
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 11 <sup>th</sup>	•	Cross Country Meet (8:15am – 2:15pm)
	•	College / University Fair @ Markville SS (6:00pm – 8:00pm)
THURSDAY, OCT. 12 <sup>th</sup>	•	TIFF Trip (9:00am – 2:00pm)
	•	Take the Pledge by ABC (Anti-Bullying Club) (11:05am – 1:40pm)
	•	Senior Boys Volleyball (1:50pm - 6:00pm)
	•	Junior Boys Volleyball (2:40pm – 6:00pm)
	•	Home Game – Senior Girls Basketball (3:30pm – 4:45pm)
	•	Home Game – Varsity Boys Soccer (3:45pm – 5:00pm)
	•	Home Game – Junior Girls Basketball (4:45pm – 6:00pm)
FRIDAY, OCT. 13 <sup>th</sup>	•	Junior Boys Volleyball (7:30am – 4:00pm)
	•	Guest Speaker – Covenant House (9:45am – 11:00am)

Looking for Volunteer Opportunities? Come visit the Guidance Office, or check out these helpful links:



Lunch Time Tutoring – Library, Monday and Wednesday – Periods 3 and 4 After school Tutoring – Rm. 345, Tuesday and Thursday 3:00pm  $-4:00~{\rm pm}$ 

If you have any questions, please email your child's vice-principal: <u>michael.vlachopoulos@yrdsb.ca</u> for students with surnames A – LIM, or <u>vanessa.wonnacott@yrdsb.ca</u> for students with surnames LIN– Z

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