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Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin



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IMPORTANT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

The YRDSB Quest Conference brings together members of the educational community from around the world. This year's theme was *The Quest for Well-being: Making Connections, Making Commitments*. Rachel Ruffo, a grade 12 student, was one of the chosen Student Voice speakers who presented her personal account of mental health after experiencing multiple concussions and how "every person I open up to is one less person to lie to and one more person to lean on". As a school community, we are proud of Rachel's decision to help others who may be experiencing mental health issues.

IMPORTANT RESOURCES

MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

In an effort to support our students and families in Mental Wellness, please [click here](#) to access an informational document outlining various signs, strategies, and community Mental Health resources. Of course, please always feel free to connect with a Caring Adult at MSS for support, as wellness in ourselves and our loved ones 'takes a village.' This document is also available on our school website under [News & Events](#) and the link will be included in each weekly e-bulletin going forward.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

ECO THEME FOR NOVEMBER – WHAT'S IN, WHAT'S OUT

Staff and students are encouraged to 'Rethink' their actions before disposing of an item. It is important to be well-informed about what goes in the Blue Box for recycling and what goes in the garbage bin for landfill. Putting items in the Blue Box that shouldn't be there can ruin an entire batch of recyclable material. The City of Markham has a great Item Look Up Tool available on their website, or by clicking [here](#). Enter the item in question and get information about where that item goes. See the example below when pizza box was entered.

Enter the name of a waste item

Lookup

. . . results for "**pizza box**"

Item	Solution	Category
Pizza Box - Clean	Place this item in your blue box. ITEM MUST BE EMPTY AND CLEAN. Do not bag items; place loose in your blue box.	Blue Box
Pizza Box - Soiled	Place this item in your green bin. Large soiled paper products, such as pizza boxes, should be made smaller before placing in your green bin.	Green Bin

PARKING LOT SAFETY – WINTER DRIVING

With the start of more wintery weather this week, parents, guardians, and students are reminded to stay safe in the parking lot. Even when lanes are snow covered, the rules still apply. The lane closest to the school is for buses, taxis, and emergency vehicles only – no matter what time of day it is. The middle lane is to be used for pick-ups and drop-offs, being aware that there are many students, staff, and other cars crossing the parking lot. The third lane is for traffic that is driving straight through and exiting. The only stopping in this lane is to allow staff and students to cross the parking lot, not for any pick-ups or drop-offs. A reminder that students should be dropped off and picked up at the front of the school only. Winter is a great time for students to continue getting exercise by walking to school and is an excellent way for them to get enough natural Vitamin D allowing them to maintain energy levels and hold off the winter blues.

BULLYING AWARENESS AND PREVENTION WEEK – NOVEMBER 18 – 24

Ontario has designated the third week of November as [Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week](#). The York Region District School Board supports this initiative and aims to promote a safe learning environment for all students. This coming week is an opportunity to raise awareness in the greater school community including parents, guardians, students, staff, and community members. Please do your part by engaging in conversations with students about bullying, its harmful effects, and how everyone can do their part to prevent bullying. Please [click here](#) for more information.

EVERY STUDENT COUNTS SURVEY

From November 12 – 30 all students in the York Region District School Board will be invited to participate in the Every Student Counts Survey. The purpose of the survey is to better understand YRDSB's diverse student population as well as students' experiences in school and outside of school. Secondary school students will be invited to complete the survey at school. Please [click here](#) for some FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions) about the survey.

TWEET OF THE WEEK



[@Markville_YRDSB](https://twitter.com/Markville_YRDSB)

Congratulations, Markville DECA!!!105 ribbons, 46 medals and over 145 students qualifying for the Provincials!! Way to go!!!



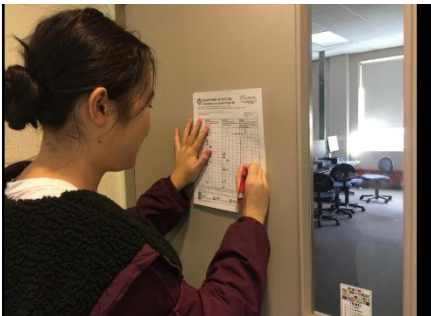
Markville SS Retweeted 
[Learning Commons](#) @mssccommons

#Breakout underway! Think Before You Post.
Who will win? @breakoutEDU
@WilliamBerczyPS @AshtonMeadowsPS
@DCPSschool @Parkland_Yrdsb
@YRDSBCECEast

DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT

ECOCLUB

The students in the EcoClub had an exciting start to the year. Students took part and continue to take part in many environmental activities such as school ground greening, milk bag weaving, waste reduction and diversion initiatives, and energy and waste walk-about.



Students in the EcoClub, environment SHSM sector, grade 10 science students and Envirothon team members attended a prize lecture which the team had won for the school last year. Paul Harpley from Ontario Nature came to Markville to talk to students about climate change. He engaged many through his presentation which involved saving the Rouge Valley watershed and Lake Simcoe Act. During the November break, several students in the EcoClub came to the school to help out with the EcoSchools elementary launch. A few of our students were asked to help by being emcees during the event and by delivering Spark sessions to elementary school staff and students. The Spark session that they delivered was entitled “Get Your Eco On.... In Secondary” which involved a discussion of the various environmental initiatives and opportunities that secondary students participate in.



Some of the upcoming activities that students in the EcoClub will participate in include attending an after school talk on modern animal agriculture, conducting a school wide waste audit, cleaning up the community and providing support for the York Region Water Festival. These activities amongst others will help towards the school's quest to maintain their Ecoschools Platinum status this year.

BUSINESS STUDIES DEPARTMENT

Markville's Business Studies teachers and students have had a busy and productive season! Students are applying their business knowledge in many different ways in our classes. Some highlights so far: Ms. Benjamin really had our students thinking "outside the box". Her Business Management students practised their leadership and teamwork skills by solving a variety of puzzles and problems in a timed "breakout" activity that required critical thinking, collaboration, creativity and communication. She also had her Law students play detective and work as crime scene investigators using their law and business acumen to solve a variety of puzzles dealing with a crime to finally solve it and "break out". Mrs. Chan's grade 11 Marketing class will practise their marketing research skills by conducting taste test experiments and then analyze their survey data. They'll determine whether national brand products are worth the extra price compared to their private label competitors.

Out of the classroom is just as busy:

On Saturday, November 10, Markville DECA students competed in their first competition of the year, regionals at Richmond Hill High School. Mr. Whiler, Mr. Rao, Ms. Cheung, Ms. Tam and the Executive team led by president R. Singla could not be prouder of every competitor. The club's dedication, hard work, and teamwork paid off as Markville took home **105 ribbons and 46 medals**, a total of over 150 awards! Over 145 Markville DECA members qualified for the next round and will compete in a provincial wide competition in downtown Toronto in February where they hope to make Markville proud once more.



Later in November, the grade 11 and 12 Law students will go downtown to the Superior Courts to see our judicial system in action and to attend Q & A sessions with a judge and a crown or defense lawyer. We continue to look forward to working alongside all our students as the school year progresses.

Upcoming Events

DATE	School News	Student Life	Arts	Sports & Clubs	Academics
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MONDAY, NOV 19 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midterm Report Card Distribution • Grad Photos (November 19th – 30th) • White Ribbon Campaign – YAC (Young Activists Council) • School Council Meeting (7:15pm – 8:30pm) in the Library • Grade 9 Study Skills Week (November 19th – 22nd) • Curling League Game (1:45pm – 6:00pm)
TUESDAY, NOV 20 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grad Photos (November 19th – 30th) • White Ribbon Campaign – YAC (Young Activists Council) • Grade 9 Study Skills Week (November 19th – 22nd)
WEDNESDAY, NOV 21 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grad Photos (November 19th – 30th) • White Ribbon Campaign – YAC (Young Activists Council) • Grade 9 Study Skills Week (November 19th – 22nd) • Canadian Intermediate and Senior Math Contests • Glasstronomy Glass Workshop (9:00am – 2:30pm)
THURSDAY, NOV 22 nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grad Photos (November 19th – 30th) • White Ribbon Campaign – YAC (Young Activists Council) • Grade 9 Study Skills Week (November 19th – 22nd) • SHSM Customer Service and Leadership Certification • Varsity Hockey (2:25pm – 4:30pm)
FRIDAY, NOV 23 rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PA DAY – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

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

	Student Volunteer Opportunities		Volunteer Opportunities
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Lunch Time Tutoring – Library Learning Commons, Mondays and Wednesdays – Periods 3 and 4
 After School Tutoring – Room 345, Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:00pm – 4:00 pm

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

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