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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

June has arrived, which means we are just weeks away from the end of the school year. Exams will begin for Grade 12 students on **Friday, June 16th**, and go to **Thursday, June 22nd**. For students in Grades 9, 10, and 11, exams will begin on **Tuesday, June 20th** and go to **Tuesday, June 27th**. For the complete exam schedule please visit our website under News & Events – or [click here](#). Please let students know to check the schedule(s) closely for the correct dates, times and location of their exams. To help with the upcoming exams, culminating tasks, tests, and projects, take a look at our website for some study strategies, which can also be found under the News & Events tab, or by [clicking here](#). Our Library Learning Commons will be featuring study tips and tricks on the TVs throughout the exam period in addition to displays of books and resources to help students learn to study effectively and cope with any stress they may be experiencing. The Library will be available for silent study during this time. Remember an exam is not only a test of academic knowledge; they are also a test of a student's calmness, stability, and courage. Getting enough sleep, taking appropriate breaks, and eating healthy foods in addition to studying will increase their opportunities for success!

TWEET OF THE WEEK



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Celebrate your #MSS years at grad ceremony by submitting photo memories for grad slideshow at <http://bit.ly/2rDVeyt> #graduation2017

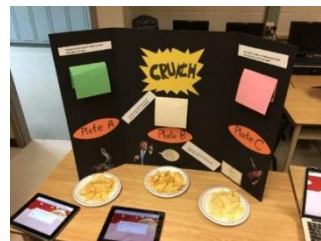
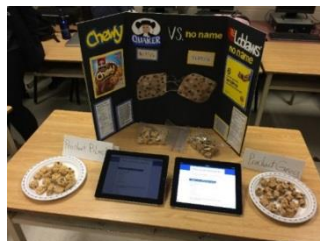


DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT

BUSINESS STUDIES

From participating in accounting contests, visiting the University Avenue Superior Courts, to traveling as far as California to compete at DECA, our Business Studies teachers and students have had a busy year! Here are a couple of things our students did this year.

Is it worth it to pay more for brand name items over generic brands? Do generic brands taste the same as their brand name counterparts? These were just a couple of questions our Marketing classes worked on finding the answers to. Thanks to all the students who willingly came to test the food and answer the surveys!



Congratulations to all our **DECA students** on a great year! We had over 180 students participate in the regional and/or provincial competitions this year. The executive team was diligent in training and preparing all of our participants, but special mention goes to the following students: Sarah Chen, Carson Curiston, Kyle Dayton, Tommy Du, Rachel Kwok, Jennifer Li, Andrew Liu, Aman Mathur, Sarah Pan, Zoravur Singh, and Glen Wu. This group was invited to compete in Anaheim, California at the International Career Development Conference (ICDC) in April along with 18,000 other high school students, advisors, businesspersons, and alumni to develop knowledge and skills for post-secondary education and careers.



FSL / INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT

This has been a very exciting year for our department. We have had many students travel with us to Europe and on several experiential learning field trips for both French and Spanish. Several students have been involved in bilingual competitions both regionally and provincially as well.

Our year began with full implementation of the new curriculum and with the use of e-texts for all Grade 9 courses. We are using new approaches for teaching languages and our classrooms also look different this year in order to facilitate the Modern Learning approach. We have enjoyed both **Hispanic and Francophone** food days in both terms:



Our Bilingual Public Speaking Club had several award winners from March to May. Congratulations for all the hard work of the students and to their successes. Special congratulations to **Ayaan Virani** who won top award for YRDSB and in Ontario: he will receive a partial scholarship to attend Ottawa U in September. Thank you to **Ms. Dufault, Ms. Mak, Ms. Park, and Mme. Tavernese** for all their help and guidance.

Ayaan Virani - 1st Place: Concours d'Art Oratoire (Senior Division Core French-Regional and Provincial) & **2nd Place:** District A-16 Senior French speaking competition.

Sahana Gangapatnam- 2nd Place: District A-16 Intermediate French speaking competition & **1st Place:** Concours d'Art Oratoire (Junior Division Core French-Regional).

Shaan Mehta: 3rd Place: District A-16 Senior English speaking competition

Ethan Or: 4th Place: District A-16 Intermediate English speaking competition.

Maya Thayalan: 4th Place: District A-16 Senior French speaking competition.



Our **French Peer Tutoring Club** had another successful year of Senior students mentoring the Junior students on Tuesdays and in several classes. Thank you to all of the tutors!!

In **November of 2016**, along with Family Studies, our department took **95 students and staff** to **Greece, Italy and Spain**. It was an incredible trip for all who attended. From visiting the Acropolis in Athens, to seeing the David and outdoor sculptures in Florence, to entering La Sagrada Familia in Barcelona, we travelled by plane, boat, and coach to several cities learning a tremendous amount on culture, language, food, and local customs. **A big thank you to: Ms. Obadia, Mr. Ebrahim, Ms. Williams, Ms. Mojica, Ms. Carter, Ms. Vlahopoulos, Mr. McKillop and Mme. Tavernese** for helping make this trip a reality!!!

Listen for announcements for the 2017-2018 school year trips!!!!

New York in May 2018 and Europe (France/Spain/Italy) in November 2018 are the two upcoming trips for Family Studies and FSL/Intl. Languages departments.



Here are some of the sites we saw on our most recent trip:



Once again this year we have **two** Grade 12 French classes who will receive their **French Certificates of Merit** and **one** Grade 12 Spanish class who will receive the **International Languages Certificate of Merit**. We would like to congratulate all of these students and we wish them much luck in their future studies and travels!

Thank you to all of the students and teachers in our department for making this a successful school year. It has been an interesting year with some teachers going on leave – **Ms. Carter**, presently teaching in Nicaragua, and **Ms. Stecher**, currently on leave, who will return in August. We wish them both well. This year we welcomed **Ms. Mak**, **Ms. Mitrevski**, and **Ms. Park** to our team, and we are now welcoming **Ms. Ye** who is covering for **Ms. Stecher** until the end of the school year.

At this time, we congratulate **Mr. Ebrahim** as he will become the **Department Head of the FSL/International Languages** in September 2017. We wish **Mrs. Dufault**, who retired in January, and **Mme. Tavernese** who will retire in June, a very happy retirement as they finish one chapter of their lives to begin another!! Their passion for education and their dedication to students will be missed!!

Merci tout le monde et bonnes vacances!!!
¡Gracias a todos y buenas vacaciones!

SHSM UPDATE

On Friday, May 26, 2017 – Grade 11 SHSM Health & Wellness students from across the Board participated in the TD Discovery Days workshop at McMaster University. SHSM students explored a variety of career options in medicine and the health sciences by listening to a dynamic keynote lecture, participating in interactive workshops and a career panel discussion. Students gained a clearer picture of what it would be like to be a health professional by interacting with researchers, clinicians and educators in their real-life work setting. All of the workshops were hands on and interactive and ranged from measuring vital signs in the simulation nursing laboratory, DNA Gel Electrophoresis and Analysis – CSI in action, to Orthopaedic surgery, and casting.

“I learned that you can do whatever you desire and still succeed at life!” Jaanuni Shanjith, Markville SS, Grade 11 SHSM Health & Wellness student

“This was a great opportunity to learn and meet others who are also interested in the health care field” Grahanya Sachidanandan, Markville SS, Grade 11 SHSM Health & Wellness student


“An excellent learning opportunity” Tariq Kermalli, Markville SS, Grade 11 SHSM Health & Wellness student



Students at Markville SS can participate in a SHSM program in Arts & Culture, Business, Environment, Health & Wellness or ICT. For more information on the SHSM programs available at Markville SS– please visit the guidance office or the ministry site: <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/morestudentsuccess/SHSM.html>

If you are currently a student in grade 10 and would like to apply to the SHSM program in one of the five available sectors, please fill in the online application using your yrdsb gapps account: bit.ly/YRDSBSHSMapp

Upcoming Events

DATE	School News	Student Life	Arts	Sports & Clubs	Academics
MONDAY, JUNE 5 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 9 French Culminating Task #2 				
TUESDAY, JUNE 6 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Athletic Banquet (5:00pm – 9:00pm) 				
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 10 Science Practical Exams Guest Speaker – Financial Literacy (8:20am – 3:00pm) 				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Varsity Boys Baseball (8:20am – 3:00pm) 				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteer Booth – Welcome Centre Immigrant Services (11:15am – 1:15pm) 				
THURSDAY, JUNE 8 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls EmPOWER Workshop (12:20pm – 1:30pm) 				
FRIDAY, JUNE 9 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Donald Duck Day – cartoon debut: June 9th, 1934  				

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



[Student Volunteer Opportunities](#)



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Lunch Time Tutoring – Guidance Office, Monday and Wednesday – Periods 3 and 4
After school Tutoring – Rm. 345, Tuesday and Thursday 3:00pm – 4:00 pm