

Parent/Guardian Community E-Bulletin



Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin

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Please keep in mind any information provided in this bulletin is subject to change and is accurate at the time of distribution.

Message from Guidance

April 25

COURSE VERIFICATION & SUMMER SCHOOL

Course Verification:

Course verification has closed. Any further course change requests must wait until August. Students will receive their timetable one week before school begins (Gr 10-12 first day is August 26th). The timetable will be accompanied by a course change request form, however please note that course changes will not be very flexible.

Summer School:

All Summer Information can be obtained directly from the [YRDSB website](#). For more information on Summer School, please see the [April 17th eBulletin](#).

*****[myBlueprint](#) and the [form](#) **BOTH** must be completed for approval*****

IMPORTANT: At this time, if a student selects a summer course that is currently in their 25-26 timetable, the course canNOT be removed or

changed until August. Please make decisions wisely, as it may not be possible to replace the course, and do note the YRDSB policy below.

INFORMATION FOR THOSE ENTERING GR 11

As students enter Gr 11, it is important to review Board policies on course requirements, identifying the number of courses students must be in, as well as the courses they must take in order to fulfill graduation requirements.

The policy can be reviewed [here](#).

POST-SECONDARY INFORMATION

Reminder that students accepting an offer from **OCAS** (Ontario Colleges), must accept by **May 1st** – that is next week. **OUAC** (Ontario Universities) must accept by **June 1st**.

IMPORTANT:

Midterm marks have been uploaded to OCAS and OUAC. Students are asked to confirm that all courses are visible and accurate, and to come to Guidance if they are not. .

Private schools must upload marks directly to OUAC for midterm. Only the final report card must be emailed from Private directly to Guidance. It is especially important that students who are taking private school or ILC courses check their “will achieve OSSD” section, and notify Guidance if there is an issue.

Students were notified on how to ensure the upload of midterm marks from **Public Night Schools:**

- Students to ensure the course visible is IN OUAC as ‘C’ Current so schools know it is coming

YRDSB Night School – happened automatically; no action required

TDSB Night School – Students were to add "Toronto District Night School" to OUAC/OCAS in order for the mark to be uploaded.

TCDSB Night School – The report card was mailed. Students are to bring the physical report card into Guidance to be added. It will go in as soon as it is received, even if attained after April 24th. Schools will keep looking when they see it in OUAC/OCAS as 'C' Current.

YCDSB Night School – Marks were uploaded by YCDSB, **provided** students had added the institution to OUAC/OCAS. See Guidance if this had not been done prior to the upload.

Full Disclosure, where a course remains on a transcript, is **May 6th**.

APRIL STUDENT WELLNESS *Spotlight*

This year *Children's Mental Health Awareness Week* will be held the week of May 5–9th, 2025. In an effort to educate and support families with learning more about how they can support their own student's mental health and wellbeing, YRDSB has created a [family toolkit](#) that is full of strategies, resources and free events for families. Daily announcements and wellness activities are planned for this week, but it is our hope that together we continue to support student mental health and wellbeing yearound. Finally, a parent/caregiver resource entitled [By Your Side](#) is available from School Mental Health Ontario. Here you will find amazing tips for how to discuss a variety of issues with your student related to mental health, addiction, technology use etc.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Your Guidance Team~

**KIDS HELP PHONE**

1-800-668-6868
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KIDSHELPPHONE.CA

**YOUR SUPPORT SERVICES NETWORK**

1-855-310-COPE (2673)

**Suicide Prevention Canada**

Call 988
Text 988

**Black Youth Helpline**

1-833-294-8650

**youthline**
25 YEARS OF YOUTH RESILIENCE

647-694-4275

MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS



MSS Mental
Health Resource

This is a mental health resource that will appear in the E-Bulletin weekly that was created by past and present Markville students.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1zxvp0ngpV22ikM7Fow2FNIMxX2wErCF5/view?usp=sharing>

Markville Guidance Website Wellness Page:

<https://sites.google.com/gapps.yrdsb.ca/markvilleguidance/wellness>

TRANSLATE A DOCUMENT USING GOOGLE TRANSLATE - How-To Video

School Notices

Upcoming Dates

April 25th - 30th	DECA Qualifiers Florida
May 5th	PA Day
May 15th	Relay for Life Event
May 19th	Victoria Day (Holiday)

Community Opportunities Site!

We would like to remind you of our [Community Opportunities Site](#) linked to our school home page where students, families and all community members can access up-to-date information about workshops, seminars, scholarships and more.

The screenshot shows the Markville Secondary School website. At the top, there's a header with the school's name and logo. Below that is a navigation menu with links like 'Markville S.S.', 'School Information', 'News & Events', etc. A sidebar on the left displays a calendar for November, listing events like 'SR Boys Volleyball Tour' and 'Varsity Hockey Game'. The main content area features a photo of students and a 'Grade 8 Information Sessions' banner. To the right, there's a 'Contact Information' section with the school's address, phone, fax, and email. Below the contact info are icons for 'School News', 'Trustee Message', 'Community', and 'Opportunities'. A callout box at the bottom explains that clicking the 'Community Opportunities' icon leads to a page with up-to-date links to YRDSB sponsored events and resources. The callout box also states '***UPDATED WEEKLY***'.

Message from Peer Tutoring:

"Hey Mavs! Feeling stressed about tests and assignments? Need some help with your courses? Want a fun and engaging place to learn? Look no further—Markville's Peer Tutoring Club is back and ready to support YOU! **Sessions will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays during Periods 3 and 4 in Room 314, and on Wednesdays after school in the Library.**

Whether you're looking for brief help (drop-in) or ongoing weekly support, we've got you covered! You can drop in whenever you need help, or sign up for weekly 1-on-1 tutoring by filling out the tutee form at bit.ly/peertutor2025. You can also check out our new website for all the details and FAQ here: <https://markvilletutoring.vercel.app/>

Look out for the NEW Peer Tutoring Club posters around the school, and follow @msspeertutoring on Instagram for updates! See you there!"

YRDSB Communications

Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN) Scholarships and 2025 Scholarship Directory

Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN) 14th Annual Scholarships Application

This year, BFCN will be awarding four \$1000 scholarships to qualifying students pursuing education at an accredited Canadian University or College in September 2025. Two scholarships will be awarded to undergraduate students and two scholarships will be awarded to graduate students. [Learn more and register](#) by July 31, 2025.

Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN) 11th Annual Aim 2 Achieve Awards Application

The Aim 2 Achieve Award will recognize Black students who are celebrating achievement after facing adversity. This year BFCN will be awarding two Aim 2 Achieve awards. The recipients of the \$1000 award will be students graduating from a Canadian secondary school or CEGEP and who will be attending an accredited Canadian University or College in September 2025 to pursue undergraduate education. Perseverance and dedication are two qualities that the Aim 2 Achieve winners must embody and believe in. Achievement exists in many different forms and we want to hear about yours! [Learn more and register](#) by July 31, 2025.

Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN) Scholarship Directory 2025

The [BFCN Scholarship Directory](#) is a free, detailed, and up-to-date compilation of 50+ available scholarships, awards, and bursaries for youth pursuing post-secondary education primarily at the undergraduate level. This directory was created to support Black students and their families, educators, guidance counselors, and coaches search, find, and apply for funding opportunities.

R;pple© School Newsletter Insert


In our continued work to foster student Well-Being and Mental Health we have added [R;pple©](#) to the YRDSB wifi network as a Google Chrome browser extension. The extension is deployed through the YRDSB GAPPS environment meaning if a student is not logged into their browser with their GAPPS account, the tool would not be initiated.

R;pple© is a tool which presents a life promoting message and helpful resources (such as [kidshelpphone](#)) when a student searches for harmful keywords or phrases related to self-harm or suicide.

No personal information is collected and students are not identifiable.

For more information about Student Suicide Prevention and Life Promotion, please review the resource link below

[YRDSB Student Suicide Intervention Protocol](#)

 [Jewish Heritage Month Community Event Langstaff.pdf](#)

Community Events

Sunday, April 27

Rooted in restoration

It's Arbour Week in Ontario! Join walk leader Marilyn to learn about reforestation, wetland rehabilitation and how we can all be a part of land stewardship for the future.

- Leaders: Marilyn, Linda H.
- Time: 1 pm
- Location: Northeast Trail
- Transit accessible: No
- Meeting point: 10725 Reesor Road, Markham – oTENTik (A-frame cabin)
- Additional parking: 7445 Elgin Mills Road East, Markham; 7535 Elgin Mills Road East, Markham
- Distance: 3 km – 5 km
- Difficulty: Easy, flat/paved or gently uneven
- Pace: Moderate
- Duration: 2 hours
- Age range: Families
- Dog friendly

<https://parks.canada.ca/pn-np/on/rouge/activ/guide/2025-04>