# 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

Reminder that **Grade 8 families that live within our boundary but do not attend an elementary feeder school**, are welcome to complete the <u>Expression of Interest</u> <u>form</u> to attend MSS (scroll down to the blue link). This form is now open.

### **NIGHT SCHOOL SEMESTER 2:**

YRDSB Sem 2 Night School registration will open on **December 16th**. Students **must** register on myBlueprint, as well as complete a <u>Google form</u> that provides Guardian consent. No registrations will be approved without both MBP and the form being completed. Students can review YRDSB <u>course options</u>. The first night of class is Thursday, February 13, 2025 and the program ends Thursday, June 5, 2025. Please be advised that the traditional in-class face-to-face <u>Night School program</u> (Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 pm to 9:45 pm) will continue to use a *remote* learning delivery model. The program will be delivered virtually in real-time (synchronous).

Students can also look into Night School course options at other Boards. Their registration deadlines and process will each be different. Students wishing to register externally would need to review the process for receiving permissions and seek Guidance support. REMEMBER - students still must choose between a MSS course and Night School, even at another Board, and note that TDSB will kick out

an application very quickly if proof of eligibility and signatures are not uploaded ASAP~

#### **GUIDANCE FYIS:**

Guidance has been finalizing Semester 2, as happens every year at this time. Students whose timetables have been impacted as a result of changes in the overall schedule will be contacted by Guidance in December/January to resolve any conflicts. Once timetables are solidified, Guidance will resume working with the Waitlists, and open again to Semester 2 elective change requests.

### **COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY & APPRENTICESHIP:**

Reminder to Graduating Grade 12s that OUAC and OCAS are closed during the Holidays, meaning if there are any issues, students are required to wait until they re-open. As well, Guidance will not be open for any support in trouble-shooting. Students are encouraged to complete applications prior to the Break, where possible, as January can be VERY busy on those sites, AND the Holiday can be used to do Supplementaries, where necessary, to ease the January burden of Culminatings/exams.

OUAC applications are DUE by JANUARY 15th, and OCAS applications are DUE by February 1.

# DECEMBER STUDENT WELLNESS Spotlight

Helping your child/student manage digital technology

Over the winter break, it is common for students to spend more time on their digital devices. This tip sheet is a great resource for identifying when the use of digital technology becomes problematic and may be affecting their mental health.

If supports are required over the Holiday season, please see the <u>Guidance Wellness</u> <u>page</u> for resources, as well as <u>Board-created resources</u>, to aid you in seeking the appropriate help.

**Newsletter Translation Instructions** 

Have a wonderful weekend, and a spectacular Holiday in the days to come! Looking forward to seeing you in January:) ~Your Guidance Team



## **School Notices**

### **Upcoming Dates**

December 16th -18th	TAC Study Skills Workshop (Grade 9's) Period 3 Lunch
December 21st to January 5th	Winter Break (School Closed)

### **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! Tutoring sessions will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays during Periods 3 and 4 in room 305, and on Wednesdays after school in the library.

Whether you're looking for quick help or ongoing 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 <a href="https://bit.ly/peertutor2025">bit.ly/peertutor2025</a>

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

## **YRDSB Communications**

■ Baythorn-Arts-Flyer.pdf

# **Community Events**





https://varleyartgallery.ca/olde-tyme-christmas-2024/