Parent/Guardian Community E-Bulletin



Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin

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A MESSAGE FROM STUDENT SUCCESS & TAC



Attention ALL GRADE 9 students!

Student Success and TAC will be hosting the **Grade 9 Study Skills Initiative** this December. All Grade 9 students received an in-class presentation about study skills and work habits during Period 1 class this week.

Next week (December 17, 18, 21), Grade 9 students will have the opportunity to attend in-person workshops during their Period 3 Lunch

to practice specific study skills led by our TAC mentors! Snacks will be provided :) Bring your lunch, your binders, laptop, and bring your friends! See the poster below for more details.

The Study Skills Workshops are <u>exclusive</u> for Grade 9 students and will focus on **Time Management**, **Organization**, and **General Study Skills!**

Period 3 (11:10-12:10) - Rooms 317 and 318

- 1. Monday, December 18 Time Management
- 2. Tuesday, December 19 Organization
- 3. Thursday, December 21 General Study Skills



All grade 9 students are invited and encouraged to attend our workshops!



Message from Guidance

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POST-SECONDARY INFORMATION:

The OUAC is officially closed for the holidays from December 22, 2023 to January 2, 2024, inclusive. The OUAC website and online applications will be available during this time.

To reduce the chance of delays and slower online response times, we encourage students to complete and submit their application well in advance of the OUAC January 15, 2024 deadline.

Extended Applicant Services hours will be available on the January application deadline:

Monday, January 15: 9:30 am to 7 pm (ET) Applicant Services Phone: 519-823-1063

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The deadline for OCAS applications is February 1, 2024. We encourage students to submit well in advance of the deadline.

For support, you can contact the following phone numbers and email.

Toll Free (in Canada): 1.888.892.2228

Phone: 519.763.4725

Email: ask-us@ontariocolleges.ca or service@ocas.ca

Don't leave it to the last minute!

Additionally, students need to **ensure that their courses are visible to OUAC/OCAS**. If there is an external course in Sem 1 OR Sem 2, that course needs to be entered into OUAC/OCAS by either the private school executing the course, or by Guidance - students have been encouraged several times to ensure this.

NIGHT SCHOOL REMOTE / NIGHT SCHOOL ONLINE LEARNING:

Grade 11 & 12 students received a post in the Google Classroom on December 12 about Semester 2 Night School. Interested students should follow the instructions and links asap.

 Please note that students can only register for YRDSB Continuing Education courses (Night School Remote or Night School Online Learning) if they are UNable to receive the credit via Markville SS.

NIGHT SCHOOL

https://www2.yrdsb.ca/night-school-credit-courses

ONLINE LEARNING - formerly e-Learning

https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/online-learning-formerly-e-learning

Registration for YRDSB NIGHT SCHOOL will open in myBlueprint/PathwayPlanner in late December, and students who register on MBP must ALSO complete the Google form that expresses Guardian consent. Students must do both to be approved. It is highly recommended that students register as early after it opens as possible, especially in non-STEM courses, to ensure a space in the course, as courses fill on a first-come, first-served basis.

FAMILY NIGHT WEBINAR SERIES: The next Family Webinar evening will be on **January 24th @ 6:30**, where Markville staff will present information on Markville's **Specialty Programs**. This webinar will include information on **Co-operative Education (Co-op)**, **Dual Credit**, **Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)** and **Advanced Placement (Pre-AP & AP)** and is strategically placed prior to February's Course Selection timelines. It is most beneficial for families of students going into Gr 11 & 12 next year. Additionally, the following Family Night presentation will occur on **February 7th**, to support families in **Course Selection**. Students will receive Course Selection information during school hours. Links will be posted in the **FN Agenda**.

Happy weekend and good luck as you prepare for the Holidays! Your Guidance Team~



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

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Markville Guidance Website Wellness Page:

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

School Notices

Upcoming Dates

Dec 25 to Jan 5	Winter Break (school closed)
Jan 8	First day back after Winter Break

Community Opportunities Site!

We would like to remind you of our <u>Community Opportunities Site</u> 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.





Clothing Drive Supporting Families In Need

From Mon, Dec. 18th to Fri, Dec. 22nd, MSS students are running a Clothing Drive with donations being given to New Circles Community Services, a not-for-profit, grass-roots agency that builds strong and caring communities by providing clothing and skills training programs to equity-deserving individuals. The focus for the drive adult business and formal attire. along with children's clothing suitable for ages five to eight, but other clothing donations will be accepted and given to those in need. MSS students will be collecting each morning from 7:45am-8:10am, and a donation box will be in the atrium for dropoffs. Thanks for your support this holiday season!

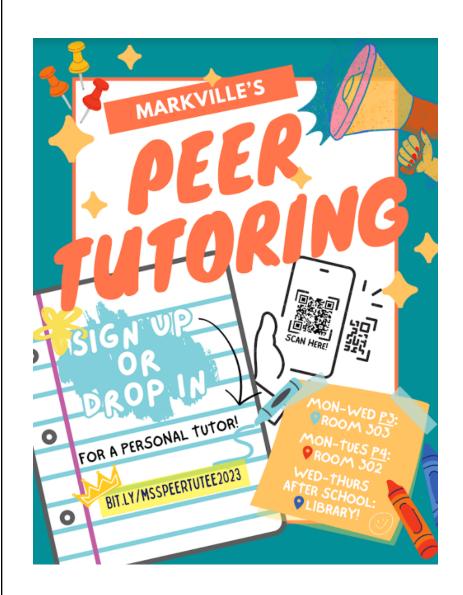
Message from Peer Tutoring and Student Success

Are you stressed about tests and assignments? Are you looking for extra help with your courses? Maybe you need help with your homework, or studying before a test? Don't worry, Markville's **Peer Tutoring Club** is back and ready to support YOU!

Peer Tutoring will start **MONDAY**, **NOVEMBER 6**. Sessions will be offered during **lunch** and **after school**. Students can drop-in as needed and/or request a weekly 1-on-1 peer tutor. **No application form is needed for <u>drop-in</u>** students.

To request a <u>weekly 1-on-1 tutor</u>, submit an application at <u>bit.ly/msspeertutee2023</u>. Look for the Peer Tutoring posters around school and follow <u>msspeertutoring</u> on IG for updates!

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Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter

January 2024- New Beginnings and Exams

January 2024 Newsletter .pdf