## **Parent/Guardian Community E-Bulletin**



Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin

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# FP@MSS Spotlight



Flash Print @ MSS is an in-school print and design store that serves MSS and the local community. As part of the Exploring Opportunities Program, FP@MSS hosts student-run businesses as partnerships and sole proprietorships.

On Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, two greeting card companies launched their businesses at the Grade 8 Open House. Card themes ranged from happy holiday to

Valentine's Day. All cards were designed or laid out and produced by Flash Print students. Flash Cards and Greetings 4U were successful at the event by selling over 100 cards!

At Flash Print's annual Pop Up Market, Flash Cards and Greeting 4U will be joined by additional student businesses such as Wize Bagz, Refreshing Reminders, Signs by Sydney.

Sales in the atrium during periods 3 and 4 will begin on December 6 and last until December 21. Support student entrepreneurship and encourage your MSS student to visit all of the booths. The profit generated from the sale of all FP@MSS hosted ventures will be donated to Sick Kids.



### **Student Success & TAC Spotlight**



#### 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 12-14), 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 **Organization**, **Time Management**, and **General Study Skills**!

Period 3 (11:10-12:10) - Rooms 224 and 225

- 1. Monday, December 12 Organization
- 2. Tuesday, December 13 Time Management
- 3. Wednesday, December 14 General Study Skills

<u>All</u> grade 9 students are invited and encouraged to attend our workshops!







### Message from Guidance

#### **POST-SECONDARY INFORMATION:**

Reminder that **Applications to OUAC are due January 12th** for equal consideration, and **Applications to OCAS are due February 1st**.

Students are encouraged to apply prior to Break, or over the Break, to avoid any issues as January 12th/February 1st approach. OUAC and OCAS will be on Holidays in December/January - please factor that into your timing, again, in case you run into issues.

Guidance will be presenting to **Gr 12 students on December 12th @ 3:30pm** on the Grad Google Classroom Meet - the topic for December is **Supplementary** support. This session will focus on explaining how to find potential supplementary items and costs, as well as how to be most effective in completing supplementary requirements for admission to post-secondary.

As Semester 2 approaches, you may be interested in additional YRDSB Continuing Education course offerings:

#### NIGHT SCHOOL / ONLINE LEARNING:

• Please note that students can only register for YRDSB Continuing Education courses (Night School <u>or</u> eLearning) if they are UNable to receive the credit via Markville SS.

#### NIGHT SCHOOL

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

Traditional in-class face-to-face Night School program has used a remote learning delivery model for Semester 1 - delivered virtually in real-time **(synchronous)**. The delivery model for the Winter 2023 semester has not yet been confirmed.

Classes are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-9:45 pm, and begin February 16th.

Before the start of the program, students will receive an email with instructions on how to join the class on the first day. YRDSB students will log in with their gapps accounts.

Registration for NIGHT SCHOOL will open in <u>myBlueprint/PathwayPlanner</u> in January, 2023. 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.

ONLINE LEARNING - formerly e-Learning https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/online-learning-formerly-e-learning This program offers courses that are specifically designed to be taught in a fully online format (formerly referred to as "e-learning") - Classes occur online (asynchronous) using an asynchronous model, with synchronous check-in opportunities with the teacher.

Registration for ONLINE LEARNING will open in <u>myBlueprint/PathwayPlanner</u> on **January 31, 2023** and closes February 28, 2023. Just like Night School, 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 and is open to all of YRDSB.

This information will be presented to you again in January, as well as to students.

**FAMILY NIGHT WEBINAR SERIES:** The next Family Webinar evening will be on **January 25th** @ **6:30**, where Markville staff will present information on Markville's **Specialty Programs**. This webinar will include information on Co-operative Education (Co-op), Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) and Advanced Placement (Gr 11 AP & Gr 12 AP) and is strategically placed prior to February's Course Selection timelines. Additionally, the following Family Night presentation will occur on **February 1st**, to support families in **Course Selection**. Students will receive Course Selection information during school hours. As always, the Family Night Webinar Agenda can be found on the Guidance Website. The link to join is provided in the Agenda on the night of.

Happy weekend! Your Guidance Team~

### **School Notices**

#### Upcoming Dates

Dec 12	Festive Sounds Music Night @ Markham Theatre (7:30-9:30pm)
Dec.12-16	YAC Festive Food Drive for Markham Food Bank
Dec 26- Jan 6	Winter Break
Jan 9	First Day Back at School after Winter Break

### **YRDSB Communications**

#### Parent/caregiver series supporting students of Chinese Heritage.

The series will provide a number of parent/caregiver in-person events to build community, support mental health, and promote healing.

The second session in the series is offered for any parent/guardian of students of Chinese Heritage. Parents, caregivers and students are invited to come together to engage meaningful conversations that help students strive at school. Tips on ways that help strengthen family relationships and emotional wellbeing will be shared. This will be a free in-person event. Light refreshments will be provided.

#### **Community Building and Engagement Event**

Dec 14th, 2022 at 6:00pm-8:30pm

Armadale Community Centre 2401 Denison Street, Markham, ON L3S 1E7

Registration for Cantonese

Registration for Mandarin