

Parent/Guardian Community E-Bulletin



Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin

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Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) Spotlight

On May 28, 2025, students from Bayview Secondary School, Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School, Markville Secondary School, Milliken Mills High School, Richmond Hill High School, and Thornhill Secondary School participated in a Sector Partner Experience (ICE) event at the Faculty of Environmental & Urban Change (EUC) at York University.

The day began with a keynote address from Teresa Abbruzzese, Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream – Cities and Regions, and Planting Program Coordinator at York University. She introduced students to the concept of Urban Care, with a particular focus on Thirdspaces and Thirdplaces.

Following the talk, students took part in a campus-wide scavenger hunt, guided by current EUC undergraduate students. The goal was to navigate the campus without using technology, instead relying on wayfinding signage and directional cues within a set time frame. Based on their experiences, students were then challenged to propose solutions to a real-world problem: How can the Faculty of Environmental & Urban Change encourage students to stay on campus, fostering a sense of community, while making the space more accessible, sustainable, and inclusive for all?

Working in mixed-school teams, students collaborated to brainstorm and present their ideas. These included innovative solutions such as showcasing student artwork to create more inviting spaces, coloured walking paths, gaming areas (e.g., foosball tables), smart HVAC systems, digital campus map boards, greenhouses, and mobile phone charging stations.

Students pitched their ideas to peers and received feedback from Teresa Abbruzzese, Justin Podur (Associate Dean of Teaching & Learning), and Aren Sammy

(Experiential Education Coordinator), all from the Faculty of EUC. The event provided York University staff with valuable insight into how to create a more welcoming, inclusive, and student-friendly campus, ultimately enhancing the sense of belonging and community.

A special thank you to the Faculty of Environmental & Urban Change – York University and Joanna Thompson-Anselm from Milliken Mills High School for organizing and supporting the Urban Solutions event and this SHSM Sector Partner Experience (ICE) opportunity.

Message from Guidance

Guidance Office Hours

Guidance continues to develop the timetable for next year and, as such, is not available for appointments. HOWEVER, we are in the office and encourage students to simply walk in for anything they may need!

DUAL CREDIT

Registration for **Fall 2025 Dual Credit** is NOW OPEN. Applications will be assessed as students submit, but will NOT be processed until June 9. Please submit asap as programs fill up fast! **Priority** will be given to:

1. Grade 12 students (who meet the criteria in #2)
2. Students who are the target group (college-bound students, students requiring a credit to graduate, students needing pathway clarification) for this program

Registration will be assessed based on transportation availability (ex: filling taxis from schools/neighboring schools; PRESTO card provided)

Students are to choose a course that is being offered by their closest college (these are indicated on the flyer).

Students are encouraged to fill out the application WITH a guidance counselor/PAE teacher/student success teacher.

Flyer: www.yrdsb.cc/dualcreditflyer

Application: www.yrdsb.cc/dualcreditapp

SUMMER SCHOOL

All Summer School information can be obtained directly from the [YRDSB website](http://www.yrdsb.cc). For more information on Summer School, please see the [April 17th eBulletin](#) and the [ATTACHED FLYER](#). **Registration will close in early June for Continuing Education to assess the needs -**

some courses will open again after that time. Students with additional questions can also refer to this [FAQ](#) about Summer School.

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

IMPORTANT: At this time, if a student selects a summer course that is currently in their 2025/26 timetable, the course CANNOT be removed until August. Please make decisions wisely, as it may not be possible to replace the course, and do note the [YRDSB policy](#) regarding spares. It is strongly advised to no longer register in summer for courses that are currently in a student's course selection for next year.

POST-SECONDARY INFORMATION

Join **Support Ontario Youth (SOY)** for an evening virtual presentation designed for graduating students wanting to **pursue a career in the Skilled Trades**. Members of the SOY team are subject matter experts in the skilled trades and apprenticeship sectors and can provide information to help graduates navigate and understand the apprenticeship pathway. SOY will provide resources and tips on how to transition from high school to mainstream apprenticeship and help better equip graduates to find an employer/sponsor. To add a real-world perspective, a licensed journey person will also join the discussion—sharing their personal journey in the trades and answering questions from attendees.

Date: **Wednesday, June 4th**

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Presentation Type: Virtual (Microsoft Teams)

Flyer:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/19TAB_F_y6rBVbFrWxVfFUz3pwD5Fh3Oz/view?usp=classroom_web&authuser=0

Registration Link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfvUyVOPo8Uq3U4w2f_dybla2tpoKsJkj74lhB2l4r2N0_bng/viewform

The OCAS (Ontario Colleges) acceptance deadline of May 1st has now passed. However, students can still apply for programs that are indicated as Open (green dot) for the upcoming year. **OUAC** (Ontario Universities) must accept by the **June 1st** deadline. If students have not yet received a university offer, they can register for the [Admission Information Service](#) as of June 4th to see what programs are still taking applications.

MAY STUDENT WELLNESS *Spotlight*

Free webinars for parents and caregivers for their child's wellbeing:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/supporting-your-childs-well-being-free-webinars-for-parentscaregivers-registration-1279970238439?aff=oddttdcreator>

Resources for families have been prepared by the YRDSB Mental Health team. You can

access the [family toolkit here](#).
[Newsletter Translation Instructions](#)

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

School Notices

Upcoming Dates

June 16 and 17	Grade 12 Exams
June 18 to 24	Exams
June 24	Graduation Ceremony
June 25	Exam Review Day
June 26 and 27	PA Days

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.



Secondary

Markville Secondary School

MARKVILLE SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Friday, 3 November

7:45am SR Boys Volleyball Tour

12:00pm Cross Country Team Of

Monday, 6 November

Guidance Event: Gr 12 Post Second

1:40pm Varsity Hockey Game @

2:20pm SR Boys Volleyball Play

Wednesday, 8 November

OSSLT Days (Library)

Sem 1 Term 1 Ends

8:00am JR Boys Volleyball Tour

Google Calendar



Grade 8 Information Sessions

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Bell Times: 8:20 AM - 3:00 PM

School News

Trustee Message

Community Opportunities

Parents/Guardians: Enter your e-mail address to subscribe to electronic communications of a commercial nature.

You may also choose to [unsubscribe](#) at anytime.

Clicking on this **Community Opportunities** icon will bring families to a webpage with up-to-date links to YRDSB sponsored events and resources for students, families and community members.

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 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

Understanding and Navigating the Education System - Families of YRDSB Black Students June Information Session

Monthly Information Session on Monday, June 16, 2025, 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Families, parents, caregivers, please join us for our monthly virtual meeting, where families with Black children come together to learn about resources and upcoming programs for Black students in both elementary and secondary schools. Please see our flyer for more information and to register.

 [CBSE-Info-Session-Flyer-25-06.pdf](#)

The Canadian Black Nurses Alliance - York University

The Canadian Black Nurses Alliance - York University is hosting a Nursing High School Summer Workshop. The deadline to apply is June 23, 2025.

Please see [flyer](#) for more details.

Community Events

Black Foundation of Community Networks Scholarship Application Workshop

The Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN) invites Black students and their families to a free online workshop on how to search, prepare, and apply for scholarships.

Date: Friday, June 6, 2025

Time: 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Location: Virtually on Zoom

[Register](#) on Zoom.

You will receive your unique Zoom link via email upon [registration](#). A reminder email and further details will also be sent to registrants on the day of the event.

For more information, please contact info@bfcn.ca or 416-566-2731.