Parent/Guardian Community E-Bulletin

InspireLearning! Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin





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Our Principal's Message

Markville 2020-2021 School Council

It is with great pleasure that we introduce this school year's School Council Executive. Our work to support student achievement and well-being will be enriched by this partnership. We encourage all parents/guardians to continue to attend our meetings in order to strengthen the collaboration between our school and the home. If you have any suggestions or questions for the executive, please direct them to markville.ss@yrdsb.ca and they will be forwarded to the members.

| Name | Position |
|---------------|------------|
| Naline Ali | Co-Chair |
| William Lei | Co-Chair |
| Saira Khan | Vice-Chair |
| Veda Lall | Vice-Chair |
| Anim Mohammed | Treasurer |
| Amy Wang | Secretary |

This year's School Council virtual meetings will take place at 7:00 p.m. on the following dates: Monday, January 18, 2021

Monday, March 22, 2021

Monday, May 17, 2021

More information regarding how to join the meetings and the meeting agendas will be shared closer to the date.

We sincerely appreciate everyone's kindness and generosity with their time and are looking forward to working with you.

Patricia Obadia

Schedule Change

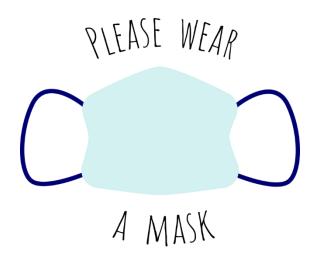
Rotation 4 has started on Tuesday October 27th.

A few reminders about safe and best practices for student learning and safety:

- If a student does attend school on the wrong cohort day, they will be sent home. Cohorts are created to keep everyone as safe as possible, so this is necessary.
- Afternoon online classes will consist of 40 minutes of synchronous learning with the remaining 10 minutes for independent work and / or time for students to stretch, get a drink, etc.
- Lastly, if a class or entire school needed to be closed due to COVID-19, the expectation is that all students are to connect in their

| Time | Rotation 4 Oct. 27-Nov. 9 Rotation 8 Jan. 14-29 |
|---------------------------------|---|
| 8:20-10:50 a.m. Face-to-Face | Period 5 |
| 10:50-11:05 a.m. | Exit |
| 11:05-12:20 p.m. | Travel & Lunch |
| 12:20-1:10 p.m. Online | Period 4 |
| 1:10-2:00 p.m. Online | Period 1 |
| 2:00-2:50 p.m. Online | Period 2 |

virtual / online learning platforms (Google Classroom, Moodle, etc.) within 24 hours. The student would follow the same schedule in place at the time of the closure.



School Notices



Literacy Task #1 will take place on Tuesday, November 3rd during Block 2 (period 4) in all grade 10 classes.

For more information about the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test please visit <u>EQAO</u>'s website.

EQAO plans to administer the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) online in spring 2021. Additional details to follow.



There is an upcoming PA Day, Friday, November 13th. There will be no face-to-face or virtual classes on this day as teachers and school staff will be engaged in professional training.

From YRDSB

TOKW Opportunities for Grade 9 Students on November 4, 2020



As always Grade 9 students will have an opportunity to participate in the <u>Take Our Kids to Work</u> event. This year it will be a virtual Job Shadow experience with parent/guardian, family member/neighbour from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Additionally, students may choose to participate in a livestream event from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., hosted by the Pathways Team, Curriculum and Instructional Services, in partnership with the Learning Partnership.

Grade 9 students opting to participate in the Learning Partnership opportunity will follow the schedule below. Suggested activities for students are provided as options throughout the afternoon.

| Session | Description (20 minute sessions) | Student Activity/Reflection |
|-------------------|--|---|
| 12:30 - 1:00 p.m. | Join the Pathways Team and student Success Team in the YRDSB Student Launch of Take Our Kids to Work Day. Plenary Session: Your Future, Now is an inspiring, 20-minute pre-recorded event that is a great way to kick off the day! Hear from a range of workplaces and professionals who will share messages of hope and resilience and bring to life the real-world skills that have led to their success. | Student Launch of TOKW: http://bit.ly/TOKW2020 Activity: Setting your Goals and Expectations |
| 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. | Skilled Trades The fourth industrial revolution is upon us and skilled tradespeople have never been more in demand! In this myth-busting, awareness-raising session, you'll be introduced to the skills, training pathways and exciting career options available in the skilled trades. | Activity: Your Personal Brand |
| 1:30 - 2:00 p.m. | Innovation and Entrepreneurship Unleash your inner innovator! Young entrepreneurs and inventors from across Canada share the secrets of their success in a panel discussion moderated by an award- winning graduate of The Learning Partnership's Investigate! Invent! Innovate! program. | |
| 2:00 - 2:30 p.m. | Healthcare Take a virtual tour of one of Canada's top hospitals and learn about the vital role technology and teamwork play in helping healthcare professionals care for people! | |
| 2:30 - 3:00 p.m. | Technology and Finance See how RBC is becoming the digitally- enabled bank of the future through innovation and new technology! Join RBC as they lift the curtain on technology at the bank and see how they are preparing youth for the future of work. | Activity: Managing your Online Reputation |
| 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. | Pathway Planning Activity using "My Pathway Planner" | Take our Kids to Work Reflection |



Welcome to Week 1 of the four-week K-12 Cyber Security Awareness Month (CSAM) campaign, from October 26 to November 20.

October 26-30

Work, Teach and Learn from Anywhere

- Accounts and Passwords:
 - Create a strong password (video) or use a passphrase
 - Verify <u>how strong is your password</u>?
 - Use this <u>passphrase online tool</u> to help generate a random passphrase or test your password's strength
 - How long will it take to crack your password or passphrase?
 - Use a Password Manager (Word / PDF) (custom resource)
 - Enable <u>Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)</u> (video) on your accounts and devices whenever possible as an added layer of security
 - What is MFA and why use it?
 - Examples of MFA
 - Summary of password tips (<u>Word</u> / <u>PDF</u>) (custom resource)
- Devices:
 - Secure all of your devices
 - Apply <u>software updates</u> on all of your devices (incl. operating system, Antivirus/Antimalware software, web browsers, games and apps)
 - Make sure to backup your devices
 - If receiving a new device, run through the new device checklist
 - Summary of tips for safeguarding your devices (<u>Word / PDF</u>) (custom resource)
 - Clear your browser cache and browsing history (<u>Word</u> / <u>PDF</u>) (custom resource)
- Home Network and Public Wi-Fi:
 - Review your home network setup (Word / PDF) (custom resource)
 - Run through the following home network checklist (<u>Word</u> / <u>PDF</u>)
 (custom resource)
 - Be cautious when using public Wi-Fi
- Videoconferencing:
 - Tips for safe Videoconferencing for Staff and Teachers (<u>Word / PDF</u>)
 (custom resource)
 - Tips for safe Videoconferencing for Students and Parents (<u>Word</u> / PDF) (custom resource)

Stay Cyber Safe! Thank you to YRDSB IT staff for these great tips!

Tech Tip

77 Citations

Google Docs have updated their Citation Tool! It is now easier for students to create citations and add bibliographies within their working document. Watch the YouTube Video below to learn

more.



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oe3s2lfgG-0&feature=push-fr&attr_tag=_9ua6g28A_Lk3nX8%3A6

Tweet of the Week



Community Notice via YRDSB

The week of November 2 - 9 marks the 38th annual Holocaust Education Week.

The Holocaust was a systemic, state-sponsored persecution and murder of six million Jews by the Nazi regime and its allies, and it's critical that we not allow this cruel chapter of modern history to fade from memory. During this week we also want to acknowledge that people of colour, the Romas, people with physical disabilities, and those who identified as 2SLGBTQ were also targeted and murdered by the Nazis.

As one means of working towards a world free of intolerance, racism and hatred, we encourage educators to discuss the Holocaust, and the many people who literally put their lives on the line in the face of antisemitism and varied forms of hate.

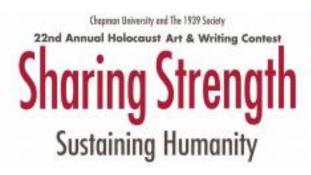
Annual Holocaust Art & Writing Contest

The 22nd Annual Holocaust Art and Writing Contest is now

available!

Sharing Strength: Sustaining Humanity







Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre in Toronto annually partners with Chapman University's Roger Center for Holocaust Education on a Holocaust Art & Writing Competition for students grades 6 to 12. Students create an artwork or piece of writing inspired by the testimonies of Holocaust survivors and rescuers.

Entries are to be based on a survivor's or rescuer's testimony from one of the approved sources:

- The 1939 Society website
- Chapman University's Holocaust Art and Writing Contest website
- South Carolina Council on the Holocaust
- <u>USC Shoah Foundation The Institute for Visual History and Education's</u>
 YouTube Channel

Registration date: November 13, 2020 Entry postmark date: February 1, 2021

Digital submission due date: February 3, 2021

<u>Contest brochure</u> includes inspiration, prompt and submission information.

<u>Educator's Guide</u> includes assessment rubrics, common core connections and frequently asked questions about the contest.

Community Notice via YRDSB

Treaties Recognition Week

November 1-7, 2020

Indigenous.Education@yrdsb.ca



"Today, some Canadians see treaties as artifacts of another era in their history, with no current relevance. First Nations people view treaties as "living" agreements that respect their status as nations, as recognized in the Royal Proclamation of 1763. They see this as their "inherent right" referred to in Section 35 of the Canadian Constitution."

(Maurice Switzer, "We are all...Treaty People" p.34)

Community Notice via YRDSB

The <u>YRDSB</u> website is sharing a variety of COVID 19 Fall and Winter Programming events from our community partners. Here is a link to our partners <u>Online Fall and Winter Program's</u> to support your children's learning and well-being. Please contact the individual organizations for further details. Here is a sample of what our community partners are offering for family's:

COVID19 Fall & Winter Programming Opportunities and Support for Families

| Type of Program | Program and Agency | Contact Information |
|--------------------|---|---|
| Family Program | Community Living York South Community Living York South is a not-for- profit organization that provides support services to children, youth, adults and seniors who have an intellectual disability and live in the Southern York Region. Support is also provided to the families of those we support. We support people to live, learn, work, and participate in their community. Community Living York South Fall Calendar of Programs and Supports | Contact information for Staff in the Calendar Link |
| Family Program | Vaughan Community Health Centre Virtual Friends and family Bingo Need a night of stress-free fun that you can enjoy with family and friends? Come and join us for Bingo nights! The program is designed to enhance social cohesiveness, reduce stress and social isolation. Dates: Tuesday October 6, 2020 Tuesday October 20, 2020 Tuesday November 10, 2020 Tuesday November 17, 2020 Tuesday December 1, 2020 Tuesday December 1, 2020 Tuesday December 15, 2020 Time: 6:30pm-7:30pm | To RSVP contact: Email: niuzzolino@vaughnchc. com Tel: 905-476-5621 Ext.2604 Program held on Zoom. |

| Family Program | Vaughan Community Health Centre | Contact Info: |
|-------------------|--|---|
| | Brighter Beginning Children's Virtual Program for caregivers and children 0-6 years of ageThe Brighter Beginnings program is a 6-week interactive virtual program where the caregiver and child can develop skills together, interact and build social connections with other caregivers and children. Program includes healthy eating, demos, crafts, and science fun! Wednesdays, September 23 - December 9, 2020 1:00pm-2:00pm | Program Contact: Staces ssalmon@vaughanchc.com Phone: 905-303-8490 Ext. 2651 |
| Family Support | Girls' Inc. Food, Meals, and Gift Cards Transportation support (i.e. bus passes) | Contact: info@girlsincyork.org |



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