

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.

Markham's School Zone Study

The City of Markham is developing a School Zone Safety Guide to enhance road safety around school zones and along school routes in Markham. Improving the safety for all road users, particularly around school sites, is a high priority for the City.

The School Zone Safety Guide builds upon the success of the Active School Travel (AST) Pilot Program. This Guide will include engineering measures, education, and outreach programs that cater to elementary and secondary school students.

City of Markham

School Zone Safety Guide



Help us make school zones safer!

Share your ideas on improving safety for students
travelling to and from school.



markham.ca/SchoolZoneSafety



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Indigenous & International Language (ILIL) Credit Courses



Indigenous Languages and International Languages

www.yrdsb.ca/international-languages



The Fall Indigenous Languages and International Languages (ILIL) secondary credit courses registration is open!

Secondary Credit Program

✓ **Credits Towards Ontario Secondary Diploma:**

- International Languages Secondary Courses can be applied toward the Ontario Secondary Diploma as Optional Credits.**
- Students can earn credits towards their high school graduation.

✓ **Post-secondary Applications:**

- If students successfully complete the Level D – University course, it can be used as one of their top six marks for post-secondary entry. ++

Get Started Today!

For more information, please visit [Indigenous Languages and International Languages – Secondary Students](http://www.yrdsb.ca/international-languages).

A \$20.00 non-refundable consumable fee is collected in the third class. International fee-paying visa students are required to pay an additional \$500 fee to participate in the program. Registrations will not be accepted after the third class. If you have any questions, please email us at ilil@yrdsb.ca.

**For students who entered Grade 9 before September 2024, you can continue to earn an international language credit as either a "Group One Compulsory credit" OR an "optional credit."

++ Students are advised to check with the post-secondary institutions to check the admission criteria to determine if the international language credit will count towards their program of choice.

14 Language Offerings for 2024–2025 Secondary Credit Program:

- Arabic
- Cantonese
- Farsi
- German
- Greek
- Japanese
- Korean
- Mandarin (Simplified)
- Mandarin (Traditional)
- Russian
- Spanish
- Tamil
- Turkish
- Urdu

**Please note:
ALL CREDIT COURSES
ARE ONLINE**



Indigenous Languages and International Languages (ILIL) Program

The York Region District School Board offers language learning for students in the elementary level (SK to Grade 8) and at the secondary level (Grades 9 to 12).

Elementary

The elementary courses are extra-curricular language learning available for in-person or online classes. Classes are 2.5 hours and run once a week between Tuesday to Friday evenings (6:00 PM to 8:30 PM) or Saturday mornings (9:30 AM to 12:00 PM¹).

Online registration opens on **Thursday, May 30, 2024**. To attend the full language program in its entirety, be sure to register by **Monday, September 9, 2024**.

* For more information about the elementary program, visit the ILIL [Elementary webpage](#) or scan the QR code:



Secondary

The secondary courses are credit-bearing, running once a week for 3.7 hours. Fall classes are year-long, running once a week on Wednesday evenings (5:45 PM to 9:25 PM) or Saturday mornings (8:45 AM to 12:25 PM).

Fall registration opens on **Monday, July 22, 2024** and will close by the third week of classes.

For more updates and information about the secondary credit program, visit the ILIL [Secondary webpage](#) or scan the QR code:



Please Note:

- All courses offered are subject to enrolment and teacher availability.
- Stacked classes may be created based on registration numbers.
- Not all languages are offered at the elementary and secondary levels.
- Additional fees are required for international fee-paying visa students.

Languages Offered:

Arabic
Cantonese
Dari
Farsi
Filipino
German
Greek
Gujarati
Hebrew
Hindi
Italian
Japanese
Korean
Macedonian
Mandarin (Both)
Mandarin (Simplified)
Mandarin (Traditional)
Mohawk
Punjabi
Ojibwe
Russian
Sanskrit
Sinhala
Spanish
Tamil
Turkish
Ukrainian
Urdu
Vietnamese
Yoruba

Message from Guidance

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As Semester 1 Timetables have been confirmed, Guidance is looking forward to speaking to students and Families about Semester 2, as well as catching up to see how students are doing!

FAMILY NIGHT WEBINAR SERIES:

Thank you to the families who joined the **Family Night Webinar** on September 11th. This presentation was for Gr 9 families, and families new to Markville. If you missed it, the presentation can be found on the [Family Night Webinar page](#) of the Guidance website. The next presentation is **September 25th @ 6:30** regarding **College/University** planning, and **Apprenticeships** on **October 11th**. Please see the [Agenda](#) for all upcoming dates.

NIGHT SCHOOL:

Night School registration will remain open until noon on Monday, September 16. It will reopen on Tuesday, September 17 and students can register in limited courses that show availability up until the second night of classes. Night School classes begin on September 24th.

Information has been sent to students via the Guidance Google Classrooms on how to register. Students are expected to complete a [Google Form](#) that confirms Guardian consent, in addition to registering on myBlueprint. **Students have also been notified of Continuing Education's criteria for who can be approved for a ConEd course.** Please connect with your student to view this information on their Google Classroom, as it is lengthy.

GUIDANCE IS ON TEACHASSIST!

Appointments can be booked using [TeachAssist](#) (website, not the App) - instructions on how to book an appointment can be located at the bottom of the [Markville Guidance website](#). As well, families can book an appointment using the [Parent Portal](#) button on the TeachAssist website. We are uncertain if the TeachAssist site will be updated to include a dropdown menu that allows students/families to select a Virtual appointment, so for now we are asking students/families to send an email to the counsellor to indicate the need for a Google Meet link for virtual appointments. Guidance contact info can be found below, as well as on the [Guidance website](#).

Please note, only family members are permitted to book virtually – students must be in person. Families can also join in person, if they prefer.

GR 11/12 POST-SECONDARY PLANNING:

This week Grade 12s took part in a *Graduation Assembly*. The slide deck for the Assembly can be found on the [Grade 12 page](#) of the Guidance Site.

Your Guidance Team will be presenting [Post-Secondary Planning topics](#) to Grade 11 & 12 students each month, as they prepare for their next adventure. Please see the [Agenda](#) for upcoming topics and dates.

We look forward to working with you this year!

Your Guidance Team~

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MSS Mental
Health Resource

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

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1zxvp0ngpV22ikM7Fow2FNIMxX2wErCF5/view?usp=sharing>

Markville Guidance Website Wellness Page:

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

TRANSLATE A DOCUMENT USING GOOGLE TRANSLATE - How-To Video

School Notices

Message from SAC:
Hi Mavericks (students)

Markville is turning 34 on **Friday, October 25th**, and we are having cake! Please fill out the following form so we know how many cakes to order, and make sure there are enough cakes available for those who have specific allergy needs.

On the same day we will be having our Halloween celebration. Be sure to get your costume ready and participate in all of the activities we have planned. Listen to the announcements in October for more details and follow [@markvillesac](#) on IG.

<https://forms.gle/4TNQxqi3ZnTmc9GY6>

SAC Team

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.

The screenshot shows the Markville Secondary School website. The header includes the York Region District School Board logo and the school name. A navigation menu lists various sections like Markville S.S., School Information, News & Events, etc. A sidebar on the left displays a calendar for November 3rd, 6th, and 8th, listing events like SR Boys Volleyball Tour, Cross Country Team OF, Varsity Hockey Game, and OSSLT Days. The main content area features a photo of students and a 'Grade 8 Information Sessions' banner. To the right, there is a 'Contact Information' section with the school's address, phone, fax, email, and bell times. Below this, there are icons for 'School News', 'Trustee Message', 'Community', and 'Opportunities'. A callout box at the bottom explains that clicking the '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. The callout also states '***UPDATED WEEKLY***'.

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

Contact Information
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Fax: (905) 940-8895
Email: markville.ss@yrdsb.ca
Bell Times: 8:20 AM - 3:00 PM

Grade 8 Information Sessions

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*****

Upcoming Dates

Sept 17th	School Council Meeting 7pm (Library)
Sept 23rd to 26th	Terry Fox Week
Sept 27th	PA Day
Sept 30th	SAC Club Fair (periods ¾)
Oct 14th	Thanksgiving Holiday (School Closed)

YRDSB Communications

Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter – September 2024



<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/node/4328>



SEAS Family Engagement Evening

Family Ties: Building Stronger Bonds with Your Child

Welcome to our first SEAS “Family Engagement Evening” workshop, designed in collaboration with Family Services York Region, aimed at supporting East Asian families in understanding the importance of establishing and using effective communication with your child. In this session, we will explore:

- Building stronger parent-child connections through intercultural and intracultural lens
- Strategies for effective communication
- Encouraging open dialogue within the family
- Resources for developing a positive and supportive home environment

Presentations will be available in English and Mandarin, with support available in Cantonese.

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

6:30 - 8:00 pm

Bill Crothers Secondary School,

44 Main St Unionville, Unionville, ON L3R 2E4

Please scan the QR code or click bit.ly/3Zdrkjr to register



Childminding services will be provided for children ages 5 to 13.
For additional inquiries, please contact: iscs@yrdsb.ca

This event is co-hosted by YRDSB Inclusive Schools & Community Services (ISCS), Community and Partnership Developers and Supporting East Asian Students (SEAS) in collaboration with the community partner Family Services York Region (FSYR)



SEAS Family Engagement Evening

家庭纽带：如何与孩子建立更有效的沟通桥梁

欢迎参加这个由约克区家庭服务中心与约克区教育局合作举办，旨在帮助东亚家庭更好地理解如何与孩子建立有效的沟通的讲座。在此次讲座中，我们将探讨以下内容：

- 通过跨文化与本土文化视角来加深亲子关系
- 有效沟通的策略
- 鼓励家庭成员之间的开放对话
- 构建积极支持型家庭环境的社区资源

讲座有英文和普通话选择，并提供粤语支持

2024年10月9号 周三

晚上6:30 - 8:00pm

Bill Crothers Secondary School,

44 Main St Unionville, Unionville, ON L3R 2E4

请扫二维码或点击 bit.ly/3Zdrkjr 报名



我们将为5至13岁的儿童提供看护服务

如需其他咨询，请联系: iscs@yrdsb.ca

本次活动由YRDSB ISCS 约克区教育局共融校园及社区服务部及支持东亚学生项目 (SEAS) 与社区合作伙伴约克地区家庭服务 (FSYR) 共同举办



Ministry Survey: Launch of Life Skills Consultation

On May 30, 2024, the Ministry of Education announced that it would be launching consultations in fall 2024 with students, parents, job creators, educators and other stakeholders on the practical life skills students need to build a strong foundation for future success through modernized home economics education. To learn more visit [Province Introduces New High School Graduation Requirements for a Stronger Ontario Diploma](#).

The Ministry has asked school boards to assist in the promotion and collection of feedback on the practical life skills that parents, students and educators think could be included or strengthened.

The anonymous [Ministry Survey: Launch of Life Skills Consultation](#), designed by the Ministry, will take approximately 10 minutes to complete and will remain open until September 24, 2024.

Level Up! Skilled Trades Career Fair: Grades 7-12

The Pathways Team in Curriculum and Instructional Services in collaboration with the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development (MLITSD) invites Elementary students in Grades 7-8 and Secondary students in Grades 9-12 to attend the [Level Up! Skilled Trades Career Fair](#), which is an Ontario-wide multi-day career fair connecting students with the best skilled trades professionals. Students will discover the potential of a career in the skilled trades with hands-on experiences, interactive exhibits, and mentorship from real industry experts and representatives from businesses, associations, post-secondary institutions, and more!

YRDSB has secured spaces for our schools at this provincial event which is taking place at the following two locations:

Tribute Communities Center (99 Athol St E, Oshawa, ON L1H 1J8)

- **Wednesday, October 23, 2024**
- **Thursday, October 24, 2024**

International Centre Hall 2 (6900 Airport Rd, Mississauga, ON L4V 1E8)

- **Tuesday, November 26, 2024**
- **Wednesday, November 27, 2024**
- **Thursday, November 28, 2024**

Additional Information:

- [Registration Process](#)
- [Career Fair Details](#)

This Month in September



Orange Shirt Day

September 30th

 **Phyllis Webstad - On Orange Shirt Day.**