

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.

Message from Guidance

Guidance Appointments can continue to be booked using [TeachAssist](#) - instructions on how to book an appointment are located at the bottom of the home page of the [Markville Guidance website](#). Students should not panic about their semester 2 schedule but they should make an appointment if they wish to make a change in the next few weeks. If we don't have a course available at the present time, we will make sure that they are added to our wait list.

Last week, Grade 12 students took part in a Graduation Assembly, and this week Grade 9 students received a visit from Guidance to provide key information to help acquaint them with Markville Guidance. The presentations can be found on the [Grade 12 page](#) and [Grade 9, 10, 11 page](#) of the Guidance Site.

GR 11/12 POST-SECONDARY PLANNING:

Your Guidance Team will be presenting [Post-Secondary Planning topics](#) to **Grade 11 & 12 students** each month, as they prepare for their next adventure. **On Wednesday, Sept. 27th at 3:30 pm**, Guidance will present a Virtual Session on [Post-Secondary Research](#) for our Grade 11 and 12 students. Students will join via the Guidance Google Classroom.

FAMILY NIGHT WEBINAR SERIES:

Guidance is also presenting monthly Virtual Presentations for **Families**, in an effort to keep you informed on all important and relevant information for all Grades. On **Wednesday, September 27th @ 6:30pm**, Guidance will present [Post Secondary College/University Information](#) to families. This webinar's target audience is Grade 11 families interested in College & University. Grade 12 families who missed last year or need a refresher are welcomed to attend, as well. *As always, the link to this webinar will be added to the [Agenda](#) just prior to the event.*

The [Agenda](#) also shows upcoming topics/dates, and Closed Caption instructions to allow families the ability to follow along in a preferred language. The following webinar will be [OYAP \(Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program\)/Apprenticeship](#), with our very own MSS Co-op Head, Kim Vrensen.

We hope you can join us.

We look forward to working with you this year!

~Your Guidance Team



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>

School Notices

The York Region School Board is committed to ensuring the safety of students, staff, building occupants and visitors in the event of an emergency situation. As such, during Safety Week (September 25 - 29, 2023) and throughout the school year, schools in our Board practice various safety drills including Fire Drills, Lockdown Drills, Hold and Secure Drills and the newly established Bomb Threat Drill. It is critical that all members of our school community become familiar with emergency protocols as they are designed to keep all of us safe at school. Please refer to [Board Policy #669.0](#) for more information about Emergency Preparedness and Crisis Management. Practicing drills may create some anxiety for some students. If you are concerned about how these situations might impact the mental health and well-being of your child, please contact a school administrator, as we have school mental health professionals available to support your child.

Sincerely,
Markville SS Administration

School Start-Up Forms

We ask families to ensure the school office has the most up-to-date contact information. This is important in case of emergency situations. If your contact information has changed, please notify the school office.

Parents/guardians received an email from YRDSB Update with important school start-up forms to complete. It is important that these forms are completed as soon as possible at the start of the school year as they contain important information and permissions. **The forms can be found at <https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/>. [Tips are available](#) if you need additional information on how to log in to the Student GAPPS account to complete the forms.**

Secondary school students can complete the secondary school student form at <https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/students>. They will also receive the link in their student GAPPS account. Elementary school students **do not** need to complete these student forms.

Please note:

- You **must be signed in to your child's student GAPPS account** to complete the form. Please remember to sign out of one account before signing into another. Additional information is available on the Board website on [how to login to the student account to complete the forms](#).
- If you prefer to complete the forms on paper or have questions about the information in the forms, please contact the school office.
- Parents/guardians must complete a separate form for each child attending school. Please ensure you log out of one student account before logging into another. You will not be able to submit the form twice logged into the same student account.

Upcoming Dates

Sept. 25-29	Terry Fox Week
Sept. 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Schools will observe on Friday, Sept. 29)
Oct. 2	Markville Club Fair
Oct. 9	Thanksgiving Holiday (no classes)

YRDSB Communications



KINNECTYOUTH MENTORING PROGRAM

Aaniin Community Centre (Youth Room)

5665 14th Ave, Markham, ON L3S 3K5


Weekly-in person meetings on Wednesdays 3:30pm-7pm

Our Mission

To educate and empower Black identified youth by offering innovative and culturally responsive programming, mentorship, and a social support network.

- Hands-on, interactive creativity and entrepreneurship workshops
- Opportunities to gain professional experience
- Individual and group mentorship
- Presentations from community leaders, innovators and entrepreneurs
- Access to technology
- Weekly In-person meetings

Contact Us

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This Month in September

ANNEX A

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

DESCRIPTION OF VISUAL ELEMENTS

Among the various visual elements illustrating Indigenous cultures, the circle is at the center which represents being together in a spirit of reconciliation. The orange colour represents truth-telling and healing. The First Nations, Inuit and Métis are represented in the image.

*Smoke is used in different ways by all three Indigenous groups in Canada. Whether it is to smoke fish and meat, to burn sage and tobacco or for sacred ceremonies, it is a significant symbol in Indigenous culture.

DESCRIPTION OF THE THREE ICONS

-  The eagle to represent the First Nations
-  The narwhal to represent the Inuit
-  The beaded flower to represent the Métis peoples

