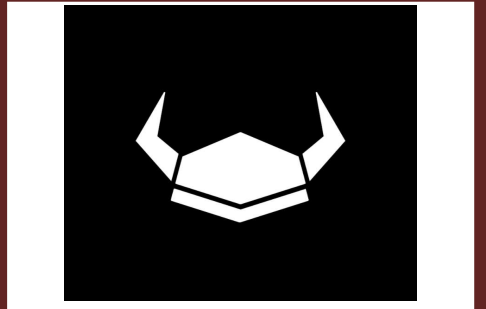


The Richmond Hill High School Bulletin
Week of December 5, 2022



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“The best way to predict the future is to create it.”
Alan Kay

What’s Happening This Week at RHHS

This Week	Next Week
<u>Monday, December 5</u> ●	<u>Monday, December 12</u> ●
<u>Tuesday, December 6</u> ●	<u>Tuesday, December 13</u> ●
<u>Wednesday, December 7</u> ●	<u>Wednesday, December 14</u> ● Music Holiday Serenade
<u>Thursday, December 8</u> ●	<u>Thursday, December 15</u> ●
<u>Friday, December 9</u> ●	<u>Friday, December 16</u> ●

Message From Our Trustee

December 2022

I am happy to serve as your trustee on the 2022-2026 Board of Trustees.

As a trustee, my role includes being an advocate for quality public education in York Region, and I want to assure you that I am committed to that work. Every one of our students deserves to be learning in an environment where they feel safe, valued and supported in learning and achieving success.

Part of our role as trustees includes making [policy](#) and [budget](#) decisions, and setting our priorities as an organization through a [Multi-Year Strategic Plan](#). Our board will work hard to keep students at the centre of our decision making, and to build collaborative relationships with the families and communities we serve. The education of our students, your children, is a partnership and the relationships we have with families is an essential one.

Communicating with families and members of the public is also an important part of our role, and I look forward to connecting with members of the school community in the coming weeks and months. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I will be sharing information with you throughout the school year, and letting you know more about our work and priorities as a school board. You can also visit the board website at www.yrdsb.ca or follow on social media.

As we head into December, I also want to wish you a safe and enjoyable winter break. There are many significant dates in December for different faiths and cultures, and to all those celebrating, I wish you a happy and joyous celebration. You can find information about [significant dates and events for families](#) on the Board website, as well as information about [Board and committee meeting dates](#).

I hope everyone has an opportunity to spend time with family and friends, relax and recharge, and we look forward to welcoming you back in January.

Crystal Yu
Trustee, Richmond Hill Wards 1, 2 and 4

Important Information:

★ Yearbook Distribution:

Grades 10, 11, and 12 pick up your yearbook after school Wednesday in the cafeteria. Grads, you can start picking up your yearbook at noon on Friday (location to be announced).

★ Food Drive:

RHHS is holding a food drive until December 21st. Please have your child bring non-perishable items to their homeroom class. All donations will be given to the Richmond Hill Food Bank.

★ Tutoring Supports for Students

As a part of the Province's efforts to support learning in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, additional funding has been allocated for the first term of the 2022-23 school year (**ending on December 15, 2022**) for Tutoring Support Programs.

Project funding will provide small group tutoring supports for students. The purpose of this funding is to offer programs that will support learning recovery and renewal in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. YRDSB has included an opportunity to partner with community organizations who can provide tutoring supports to students. These tutoring programs will prioritize math, literacy and other foundational learning skills and are intended to promote learning recovery and to help address achievement and skills development gaps. In addition, these programs will support learning in a trusted environment grounded in the language, culture and community norms for students.

Details for tutoring programs outside the school day can be found on the [Tutoring Support Programs Through Community Partners](#) site. Please contact community partners directly and inquire about tutoring services as soon as possible. Funding and spaces are limited.

★ Secondary Students COVID Screening:

All school-based staff and secondary students and visitors are required to complete a daily self-assessment screening.

Secondary students to complete on-line self-assessment [COVID-19 School and Child-Care Screening Tool](#) prior to entering the school on a daily basis.

Sharing Section

Our math classes, spent the day in downtown Toronto, using experiential learning to bring back to their classrooms.



School Reminders

Daily School Schedule	
Class	Time
Period 1	8:50 – 10:05
Homeroom/Announcements	10:05 – 10:10
Period 2(1st Lunch)	10:15 – 11:30
Period 3 (2nd Lunch) - Grade 9s	11:35 – 12:50
Period 4 (3rdLunch) - Grade 10s	12:55 – 2:10
Period 5	2:15 - 3:30

RHHS School Council

Upcoming Dates	Information
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday February 27, 2023 Monday March 20, 2023 Monday May 15, 2023 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meetings will be held in the school library and also virtually. The meeting ID is 294 102 167 612 and the passcode is MLYa4s. Meetings start at 7:00 PM

RHHS on Social Media

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TWITTER: https://twitter.com/rhhs_yrdsb?lang=en (School) https://twitter.com/rhhs_stuco?lang=en (Student Council) @RHHSLearningCo1 (Library) INSTAGRAM: rhhs_yrdsb (School)rhhs_stuco (Student Council) rhhsllc (Library) WEBSITE: www.yrdsb.ca/schools/richmondhill.hs/Pages/default.aspx (School) www.rhhsstuco.ca (Student Council)
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Absence Policy

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VALID ABSENCES include illness, bereavement or family emergency. AUTHORIZED ABSENCES include dentist/doctor appointments, driver's test, and court appearances. EXCUSED ABSENCES refer to field trips and school sanctioned events. Students are still considered to be at school. EXTENDED ABSENCES of three days or more require the completion of a "Special Leave" form at least one week in advance of the leave. This form may be obtained from the Main Office. A parent/guardian signature is required. It is the student's responsibility to catch up on all work missed. DO NOT plan absences or family vacations during culminating and exam periods as the evaluations CANNOT be rescheduled.

Type of Absence	Parent/Guardian Responsibility
Absent for a Full Day	Phone the school with a valid reason the same day or send a note upon return
Absent for One or More Classes	Phone with valid reason indicating the time of absence or send a note with the student
Leaving Before the End of the Day	Student signs out in attendance office with a note from the parent/guardian
In the Event of an Emergency	Contact the office as soon as possible.

For safety reasons, students who have signed out must leave the building as they will not be directly supervised



This reporting feature can be found on our school and Board website. It is meant for 'non-emergency' reporting as it is not monitored 24 hours per day - if a student needs immediate assistance or counseling please contact Kids Help Phone or 911.

You are encouraged to discuss incidents of bullying by other students with your family and a trusted member of staff at the school. Completing a report online is not a substitute for having a discussion with the teacher or Principal. Any incidents involving staff members should immediately be communicated to the Principal or Superintendent of the school and are not to be reported online; any staff reports submitted online will be deleted.

We teach our students that character matters. Every day, students exhibit these positive character traits, and we acknowledge these students in many ways. If you witness a student doing something that exhibits extreme acts of courage, initiative, respect, responsibility, empathy, fairness, honesty, optimism or any other outstanding behaviour, please let us know. Click on the "Report It" button above for a direct link to the "Report It" site.

Mental Health Newsletters/Tip Sheets for Parents

[Resources and Newsletter for Mental Health Supports for Parents from YRDSB](#)
