

The Richmond Hill High School Student and Family Bulletin
Week of October 24, 2022



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“One of the marvelous things about community is that it enables us to welcome and help people in a way we couldn’t as individuals.” – Jean Vanier

What’s Happening This Week at RHHS

This Week	Next Week
<p><u>Monday, October 24</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Diwali 	<p><u>Monday, October 31</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●
<p><u>Tuesday, October 25</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fire Drill 	<p><u>Tuesday, November 1</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●
<p><u>Wednesday, October 26</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 	<p><u>Wednesday, November 2</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Take Our Kids to Work
<p><u>Thursday, October 27</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Student Progress Meetings (6:30-8:30 pm) 	<p><u>Thursday, November 3</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre
<p><u>Friday, October 28</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 	<p><u>Friday, November 4</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●

Important Information:

★ Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test:

There will be two dates for writing the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test:

- Thursday, November 24, 2022 - all students who have previously written the test
- Thursday, December 1, 2022 - all first time eligible students

After school classes have already begun for students writing on November 24th.

Please ensure that your child is checking the Literacy classroom on Google for updates.

★ Student Progress Meetings:

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for Student Progress Meetings. It is not possible for each teacher to meet each parent/guardian in person; however, teachers are happy to arrange a phone conversation. Please email them directly with some possible dates and times to schedule a phone conversation.

★ Take Our Kids to Work Day:

Take Our Kids to Work Day, for all Grade 9 students, will take place on Wednesday, November 2, 2022. This is an opportunity for your child to spend the day at the workplace of a parent/guardian, relative, friend or volunteer. If students do not have a workplace to attend, there will be an alternative program being offered at school. No regular Grade 9 courses will be running. **We need replies from all Grade 9 families.** [Please fill out the Google Form..](#)

★ Tune In YRDSB

Did you know YRDSB has a podcast? From in-depth and honest discussions on issues affecting education to practical conversations like how does French Immersion work, Tune In YRDSB helps you stay connected to what's happening in education.

With the [municipal election](#) approaching on October 24, [listen to our latest episode](#) on the role of trustees, why it's important to vote and to make an informed decision, and more.

In addition, our monthly news wrap up lets you catch up on what's been happening around the Board and what's upcoming in just 15 minutes.

[Tune In YRDSB](#) is available on all major podcast platforms.

★ School Immunizations:

Please read the information provided by York Region Public Health regarding immunizations.

- [School Immunization.pdf](#)

★ Secondary Students COVID Screening:

All school-based staff and secondary students and visitors are 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.

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 November 21, 2022Monday February 27, 2023Monday March 20, 2023Monday 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](#)