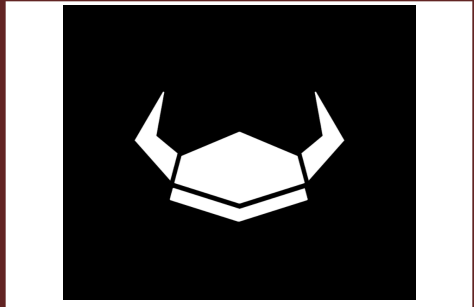


The Richmond Hill High School Family Bulletin
Week of June 26, 2023



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“Your education is a dress rehearsal for a life that is yours to lead.” — Nora Ephron

What’s Happening This Week at RHHS

This Week	September
<p><u>Monday, June 26</u> ● Grade 9-12 (Period 5) Exams begin 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Monday, September 4</u> ● Labour Day</p>
<p><u>Tuesday, June 27</u> ● Grade 9-12 (Period 4) Exams begin 9:00 am ● Graduation</p>	<p><u>Tuesday, September 5</u> ● First Day of School (Grade 9s only)</p>
<p><u>Wednesday, June 28</u> ● Exam Review</p>	<p><u>Wednesday, September 6</u> ● School resumes for all grades</p>
<p><u>Thursday, June 29</u> ● Eid-ul-Adha (Diamond Day)</p>	<p><u>Thursday, September 7</u> ●</p>
<p><u>Friday, June 30</u> ● PA Day</p>	<p><u>Friday, September 8</u> ●</p>

★ Exam Schedule

Grade 12 Period 4 Exams	Monday, June 19, 2023
Grade 12 Period 5 Exams	Tuesday, June 20, 2023
Period 1 Exams	Wednesday, June 21, 2023
Period 2 Exams	Thursday, June 22, 2023
Period 3 Exams	Friday, June 23, 2023
Period 5 Exams	Monday, June 26, 2023
Period 4 Exams	Tuesday, June 27, 2023

PLEASE CLICK [HERE](#) TO SEE THE EXAM SCHEDULE

Check your exam information as some room numbers have changed.

Good luck to all of you on your exams!

★ School Year Calendar

Please be reminded that the 2023-24 school year calendar is available at:
<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/school-year-calendar>

★ Free College Credit

Are you 16+ years old and looking to do something different this summer? You can earn a college credit FOR FREE! Tuition, books and transportation are paid for; you get a Presto card to take the bus or sometimes go in a taxi.

There are really interesting and unique courses you can take, such as:

“**Behavior of Animals**” will be appealing to anyone who has pets or enjoys animals in general or is thinking about being a vet or vet tech.

“**What in the World is Going On?**” is an excellent survey course of current events, great for students who are interested in journalism, media and politics.

Check out the courses available and fill out an application asap as spots will fill up fast. (Centennial's Culinary Arts class is already full).

Course List: www.bit.ly/summerdcflyer

Application: www.bit.ly/yrdsbsummerdc

★ Tenants' Housing Rights



Inclusive School and Community Services, in partnership with the Canadian Centre for Housing Rights, is offering:

Tenants' Housing Rights

Free Virtual Workshops – Summer 2023

Guest Speaker: Margaret Flynn, Program Lawyer, Canadian Centre for Housing Rights

Topics covered during each session:

- Beginning and ending a tenancy
- Maintenance
- Privacy
- Rent control
- Human rights, discrimination and accommodation
- Eviction prevention

Dates / Times: 6:30-8:00 pm on Zoom

- Thursday, July 6
- Thursday, July 18
- Wednesday, July 26
- Thursday, August 3

[Register Here!](#)

All parents, guardians and staff are welcome to attend any of the free virtual workshops about tenant rights and housing resources in York Region.

Once you register we will send you the zoom invitation/link for the date(s) chosen.

For more information, contact:

Yvonne Kelly, Community and Partnership Developer
Yvonne.kelly@yrdsb.ca or 416-697-4208

With generous support from:



★ Tune In YRDSB

Listen to the latest podcasts here:

<https://podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/yrdsb/episodes/Part-2-Supporting-2SLGBTQI-Students-e25qc5c/a-aa0qb4i>

<https://podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/yrdsb/episodes/Next-Steps-in-Indigenous-Education-e260v7a/a-aa1hu0t>

★ Summer Mental Health and Well-Being Guide

The [Summer Student Mental Health and Well-Being Guide](#) is a collection of resources, tips and strategies. The Guide is designed for students, parents, and family members. It contains:

- Tips for supporting positive mental health and well-being over the summer
- Mental health support (telephone, chat, virtual support & walk-ins services)
- Mental health hubs and resources
- Helpful apps
- Health and physical education resources
- Summer camps, groups and more

A [student edition](#) of the guide is also available. The student version has been co-created alongside students and includes helpful words and tips from students.

★ Connex Newcomer Youth Program



CONNEX NEWCOMER YOUTH PROGRAM SUMMER 2023

Dates:

- Tuesdays: July 11, 18, 25 and August 1
- Wednesdays: July 12, 19, 26 and August 2
- Thursdays: July 13, 20, 27 and August 3

Time: 10:30am – 12:30pm

Locations:

- Tuesdays at Dr. JM Denison S.S
- Wednesdays at Bayview S.S
- Thursdays at Tommy Douglas S.S

Eligibility:

- Refugee Status/ Permanent Resident Status
- Current student of YRDSB
- Newcomer to Canada within the last 5 years
- Must be 14 years of age as of March 1, 2023
- Enrolled or enrolling in grades 9-12



[Register Now!](#) / Scan QR



Immigration, Refugees
and Citizenship Canada

Immigration, Réfugiés
et Citoyenneté Canada

★ Indigenous Languages and International Languages



Indigenous Languages and International Languages (ILIL) Program

The York Region District School Board offers language learning to elementary students in grade SK to grade 8 and language credit courses to secondary students in grades 9 to 12.

Elementary Language Program

The elementary courses are extra-curricular language learning opportunities available in-person or remotely. Classes are 2.5 hours and take place once per week between Tuesday to Friday evenings (6:00 PM to 8:30 PM) or Saturday mornings (9:30 AM to 12:00 PM).

Register by **Monday, September 11, 2023** to attend the full language program in its entirety.

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



Secondary Credit Program

Credit courses for secondary students take place once per week for 3.7 hours.

Courses begin in September, and take place Wednesday evening (5:45 to 9:25 PM) or Saturday mornings (8:45 AM to 12:25 PM).

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



Please Note:

- 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 (Simplified)
Mandarin (Traditional)
Punjabi
Ojibwe
Russian
Sinhala
Spanish
Tamil
Turkish
Ukrainian
Urdu
Vietnamese
Yoruba

[Secondary Credit Courses](#) registration will open mid-July and will remain open until the third week of class. Secondary Credit courses will be available remotely to Grade 9 - 12 students, Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings.



Scholarship Applications 2023/2024

The BFCN Scholarships - \$1000
(Four Scholarships Available)
bit.ly/BFCNScholarships2023-24

The BFCN Aim 2 Achieve Award - \$1000
(Two Awards Available)
bit.ly/BFCNAim2AchieveAwards2023-24

Due Date: July 31, 2023

WWW.BFCN.CA

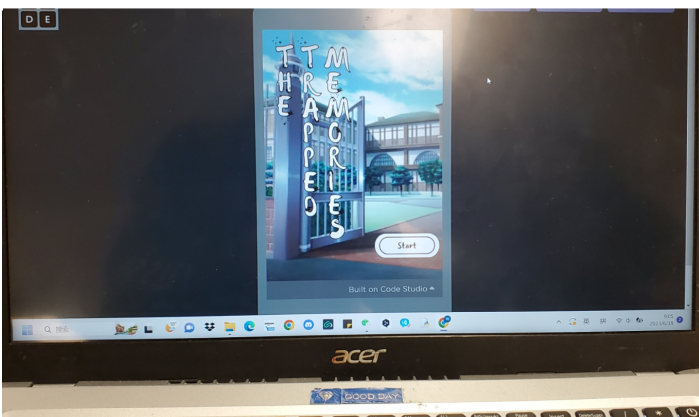
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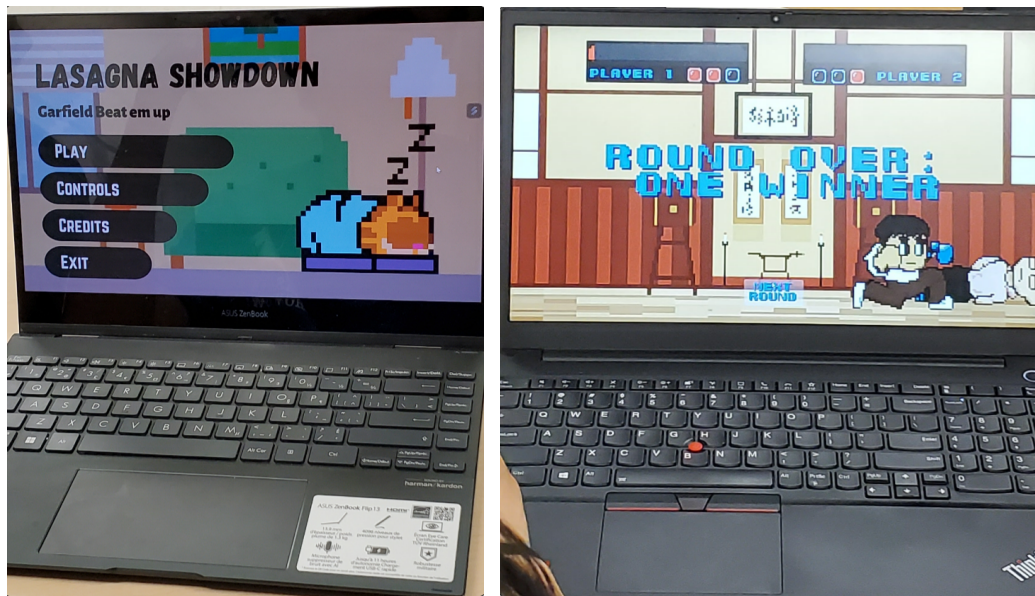
Sharing Section

Congratulations to RHHS Studios for placing as runner-up at the Vaughan International Film Festival in the EIPMA Student Film category for their psychological thriller “The Test”.



The Grade 10 STEAM class hosted the Game Fair on Monday, June 19th during Periods 1 and 2. Since May, students have been programming their own game in the Computer Science course, while learning to promote and market their game in Business class. This game was a culmination of many weeks of hard work and the students proudly showcased what they created. Students also had a variety of game merchandise on display, all of which they designed themselves. This included T-Shirts and stickers created with the Cricut Maker, and winner plaques created with the Laser Cutter. The Game Fair was a huge success. Well done STEAM students!





To watch some of the games action, click the links below:

[Game 1](#)

[Game 2](#)

[Game 3](#)

Congratulations, also, to Sasha Drotenko and Karen Zhou for their top 5 finish in Canada in the Humber College Flash Fiction Contest. Their stories have been published in the Humber Literary Review and they both received monetary awards. Here is the link to read their stories:

<https://humberliteraryreview.com/spotlight-bcpw-contest>

★ 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.

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"> • 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	Phone with valid reason indicating the time of absence or send a

Classes	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](#)
