The Richmond Hill High School Family Bulletin Week of May 22, 2023



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"The bad news is time flies. The good news is you're the pilot." - Michael Altshuler

What's Happening This Week at RHHS

| This Week | Next Week |
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| Monday, May 22 | <u>Monday, May 29</u> |
| • Victoria Day (no school) | ● |
| <u>Tuesday, May 23</u> | <u>Tuesday, May 30</u> |
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| Wednesday, May 24 | <u>Wednesday, May 31</u> |
| ● Music Banquet | ● Cultural Caravan |
| Thursday, May 25 | <u>Thursday, June 1</u> |
| ● Relay for Life | ● Prom |
| <u>Friday, May 26</u> | <u>Friday, June 2</u> |
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★ Relay for Life



ONLY ONE WEEK LEFT UNTIL RELAY FOR LIFE! Join us on Thursday, May 25 from 2:30pm -8:30pm to honor those who have lost their battle to cancer, those who are still fighting, those who survived and anyone else who has been touched by cancer. This day will be filled with live entertainment, food trucks, inflatables, competitions and so much more! The registration fee is \$25 and can be paid on School Cash Online. This includes a relay t-shirt, food item, all activities and luminary. Bring your family and friends! Check out @rhhsrelay for updates!

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL! RHHS has committed to a **fundraising goal of \$15,000!** We cannot do it without your help! Funds and donations raised from all Relay for Life will be donated back to Canadian Cancer Society.

See you all there!

★ York Region District School Board Seeks Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee (PEAC) Members

Parents/guardians interested in serving as a member of PEAC are asked to submit an application by June 14, 2023. PEAC supports, encourages and enhances parent engagement at the Board level in order to improve student achievement and well-being. It represents the collective voice of parents who have children attending public schools in York Region. Members are expected to attend a minimum of five meetings each year. The first meeting date for the new membership is November 9, 2023, which is a joint meeting with our Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee (EIAC).

Interested parents/guardians are invited to submit an application using the <u>online application</u> <u>form</u>. For a copy of the application, please contact Leadership Development and Engagement via email at <u>leadership.development.engagement@yrdsb.ca</u> or by phone at 905-727-0022 ext. 3650.

Information Session:

Interested applicants are invited to attend a virtual information session to learn more about this parent and community member engagement opportunity.

Date and Time: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Meeting Information: Online virtual <u>ITS Webinar Event meeting link</u>

Support:

If you need assistance to join this virtual meeting, please see <u>How to access the virtual meeting</u> <u>link</u>. A recording of this information session will be available on the PEAC webpage.

For more information, please visit the YRDSB<u>PEAC website</u> or contact <u>Leadership.Development.Engagement@yrdsb.ca</u>.

★ Student Exam Prep Webinar

On May 31st from 6-7:30 PM students can learn from YRDSB Alumni, YRDSB Mental Health Professionals, and Educators about the suggested preparation strategies to complete exams, and culminating projects, and helpful wellness strategies.

Students will hear from former YRDSB graduates in a variety of pathways and career fields including university, college, apprenticeship, and gap year pathways in areas such as: arts, business, social sciences, STEM, and trades.

Students can register to attend now using the link below! They can also submit any questions for the speakers on the registration form. The deadline to register is May 30th, at 12 PM.

The registration link is here: <u>https://forms.gle/3f1nMMqujRXbSzrt6</u> (students need to be logged into their GAPPS account)

Sharing Section

This week we celebrated our students' Personal Bests with an award ceremony on Monday evening. Congratulations to all of our recipients.





★ 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 <u>COVID-19 School and Child-Care Screening</u> <u>Tool</u> prior to entering the school on a daily basis.

School Reminders

| Daily School Schedule | |
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| 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 | |
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| Upcoming Dates | Information |
| Monday May 15, 2023 | Meetings will be held in the school library and also <u>virtually</u>. The meeting ID is 294 102 167 612 and the passcode is MLYa4s. Meetings start at 7:00 PM |

RHHS on Social Media

- TWITTER: <u>https://twitter.com/rhhs_yrdsb?lang=en</u> (School) <u>https://twitter.com/rhhs_stuco?lang=en</u> (Student Council) @RHHSLearningCo1 (Library)
- **INSTAGRAM**: rhhs_yrdsb (School)rhhs_stuco (Student Council) rhhsllc (Library)
- WEBSITE: <u>www.yrdsb.ca/schools/richmondhill.hs/Pages/default.aspx</u> (School) <u>www.rhhsstuco.ca</u> (Student Council)

Absence Policy

- 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 |
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| 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