The Richmond Hill High School Family Bulletin Week of May 8, 2023





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"Laughter is an instant vacation." ~ Milton Berle

What's Happening This Week at RHHS

This Week	Next Week						
Monday, May 8 ● Relay For Life - Cookie Decorating Contest	Monday, May 15 ■ School Council Meeting (7:00 pm)						
Tuesday, May 9 ■ Music Sounds of Spring	Tuesday, May 16 • Relay for Life Bubble Tea • School Wide Equity Symposium • Challah Bake						
Wednesday, May 10 ● Every Student Counts Survey (assembly schedule)	Wednesday, May 17 ●						
Thursday, May 11 ●	Thursday, May 18 ●						
Friday, May 12 ● Full Disclosure ● Relay for Life Freezie Friday ● Farmer's Market	Friday, May 19 ● Relay for Life Freezie Friday						

★ Relay for Life



RELAY FOR LIFE IS BACK! We are so excited to announce that Relay for Life will be making its return to RHHS for the third year in a row. Join us 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, 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, activities and luminary.

CAN'T WAIT UNTIL RELAY? Join us at our fundraising events leading up to event day! Cool off with our Freezie Fridays. Unleash your inner Raider with our Dodgeball Tournament. Sing your heart out at our Karaoke Club Night. Show off your decorating skills at our Cookie Decorating Competition. Quench your thirst with our Bubble Tea Sale. Check out @rhhsrelay for additional details!

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 events will be donated back to Canadian Cancer Society.

See you all there!

★ AP Exams

AP exams are coming up at RHHS and will be running from May 1 to 17. Please see this schedule for the dates and times of each exam.

★ End of School Day

Please have a conversation at home to discuss arrangements for your child(ren) to get home at the end of the school day. Students cannot be in the school unsupervised past 5:00 pm. If you are unable to pick your child up by 5:00 pm, please work with them on learning the transit routes that they can use after school.

Students who are involved in clubs, teams, or repertoire must be picked up at the end of that program. They cannot remain in school beyond the time that they are supervised.

★ Free and/or Subsidized Recreation, Sport Programs, Summer and Overnight Camps For Children and Youth ages 4-18 whose families participate in one of the following:

- Ontario Works
- Ontario Disability Support Program
- Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities
- Rent Subsidy (including STAR and Ontario Housing Benefit)
- Child Care Fee Subsidy (income below \$36,000)

Some programs are only eligible to families in York Region Housing Communities

- Housing York Inc.
- Non-Profit Housing
- Cooperative Housing

For More Program Information and Eligibility: Call Access York at 1-877-464-9675 or visit york.ca/recreationsubsidies





PARENTING SESSIONS

Let's talk about it!

May 2023 Calendar of Events

We welcome all parents, guardians, caregivers and community members to attend these virtual sessions!

May 15, 2023 | 10:00 a.m. - noon

Mindful Parenting: Ride the Waves

For parents of children 0-12 years of age. This session will provide an understanding of the importance of mindful parenting and the role it plays in nurturing positive relationships within the family.

May 16, 2023 | 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

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May 24, 2023 | 10:00 a.m. - 11:30

Test and Exam Preparation

For parents of children and teens. This session will focus on routines and strategies for parents to help better prepare their child for effective learning outcomes.

Facilitator: Uma Bhatt, R.S.W. York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families



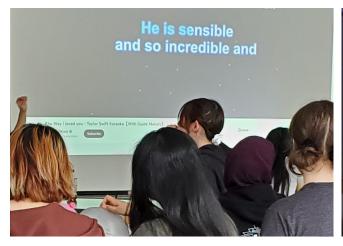
These free virtual parent presentations are brought to you in a collaborative partnership with York Region District School Board and York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families.

REGISTER NOW

For information contact: Oksana Majaski, Community & Partnership Developer, YRDSB Oksana majaski@vndsb.ca

Sharing Section

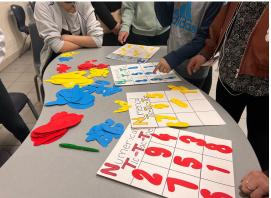
To support Relay for Life, the school has hosted a number of initiatives. On Thursday night we had the RHHS Karaoke Night.





We also hosted a Community Math Night. We had a fantastic turnout with lots of great activities and information.





★ 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								
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							
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: 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: <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							
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 v	vith \	/alid	reas	SO	n indicating	the tim	ne of	abs	sence	or ser	nd a
Classes note with the student																
Leaving	Befo	re the	End	of the	Student	sign	s o	ut i	n	attendance	office	with	а	note	from	the
Day 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