#### The Richmond Hill High School Parent Bulletin Week of October 3, 2022



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A lot of different flowers make a bouquet. ~ Islamic Proverb

### What's Happening This Week at RHHS

This Week	Next Week
Monday, October 3	Monday, October 10
●	● Thanksgiving (no school)
<u>Tuesday, October 4</u>	Tuesday, October 11
●	● Grad Photos begin
<u>Wednesday, October 5</u>	<u>Wednesday, October 12</u>
● Yom Kippur	●
Thursday, October 6• Grade 9 Rep Elections• Post-Secondary Fair (after school)	Thursday, October 13 • Photo Retake
Friday, October 7	Friday, October 14
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#### Important Information:

#### ★ Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee:

The York Region District School Board invites applications from community volunteers for membership on the Board's Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee (EIAC). The committee advises and supports the Board in fulfilling its commitment to ensuring that YRDSB schools and workplaces are equitable and inclusive places to learn and to work. Membership requires a commitment to attend meetings six times a year. The deadline to apply is November 1, 2022. More information about this volunteer opportunity, including how to apply, is available on the Board <u>website</u>.

#### ★ Anti-Asian Racism Research Project:

York Region District School Board (YRDSB) is conducting research on the experiences of Asian students, educators, staff, and community members, in an effort to dismantle anti-Asian racism and to foster belonging and create safer spaces for Asian members of the YRDSB organization. If you are an Asian identifying member (East Asian, South Asian, South East Asian) of the YRDSB, then you are invited to participate in a virtual focus group (small discussion group) to talk about your experiences within the YRDSB institution. For more information use this link.

If you are an Asian identifying student (grades 7-12) of the YRDSB, then you are invited to complete an anonymous survey. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

#### ★ Renewed Computer Technology Application :

Renewed Computer Technology is a non-profit organization that provides refurbished technology to limited income families at an affordable cost. In this application period, the program will be offered to all students at YRDSB. The application period is open until **November 18, 2022**. For more information, see the flyer below.

RCT Flyer September 2022.pdf

### ★ TVO Mathify:

<u>TVO Mathify</u> offers free, 1:1 math tutoring with Ontario Certified Teachers for Grades 4 to 12. Now available 7 days a week, Monday to Friday, 9:00 am to 9:00 pm ET, and Saturday and Sunday, 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm ET.

#### ★ YORK REGION 2022 ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING CONFERENCE:

Human Trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation is a prevalent issue and one of the fastest growing and most lucrative crimes worldwide and it is happening in York Region. It is predatory and devastatingly damaging to victims, survivors, their families and communities. At the Anti-Human Trafficking York Region Conference, attendees will learn about what human trafficking is, signs and indicators, risk factors, laws, what we can collectively do to eradicate human trafficking in our communities and more. For more information, see the flyer below.

Anti-Human Trafficking Conference.pdf

#### ★ Audit Committee:

York Region District School Board is seeking one community member with financial expertise and business knowledge to serve on its audit committee for a three-year term effective January 31, 2023. The primary role of the audit committee is to assist the Board of Trustees in fulfilling its duties related to governance and oversight. The committee meets at least three times a year, plus ad hoc meetings as required.

#### Candidate Eligibility:

- Applicants must be a York Region resident and have an accounting designation, as well as sufficient accounting and senior financial management expertise to understand public sector accounting and auditing standards.
- The applicant must not be a current employee or officer of the board or of any other district school board or school authority.
- The applicant must not have a parent, child or spouse currently employed by the board.

#### Submission of Applications:

Qualified candidates are invited to submit a letter of interest and resume by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 7, 2022 to:

Janna Lagaev, Comptroller, Accounting and Financial Services York Region District School Board Email address: <u>finance.services@yrdsb.ca</u>

More information is available on the Board website.

#### ★ 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</u> <u>Screening Tool</u> prior to entering the school on a daily basis.

# **Sharing Section**

## Club Fair

On Thursday, September 29th we held a club fair to promote the clubs that will be running this year at RHHS. We had a great turnout.



## **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> <li>Monday October 17, 2022</li> <li>Monday November 21, 2022</li> <li>Monday February 27, 2023</li> <li>Monday March 20, 2023</li> <li>Monday May 15, 2023</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Meetings start at 7:00 PM</li> </ul>

#### **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
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