

REVIEW



October 22, 2021

Message From Administration

This week we celebrated a significant Covid-19 milestone when we hosted our Cross Country Meet at RPPS. This was our first team event since winter of 2019. Students in grades 4-8 have been training as part of the X Country team for three days a week since September. On Tuesday, we ran a meet and although we were only permitted to race against our own school, it felt fabulous to have a team, host a competition, and have parents cheering on their kids from the sidelines. All of the feedback we received was positive and stressed how uplifting it was to have a sense of normalcy at school. A special thank you to our staff who ran practices at lunch, planned the meet and ensured students had the best possible team/club experience.

Other exciting news includes the finalizing of our Rouge Park logos (featured above) and the creation of Spirit Wear that will soon be available for purchase through School Cash Online. More details will be coming soon!

We have had many students return to face to face learning in the past few weeks. If you are thinking of having your child return to the physical building, please contact their teacher and/or call our office.

Our goal at Rouge Park is to have a community of families who truly feel like they matter and belong at school. The pandemic can cause some barriers to this goal but we are determined to create a space where people are happy to come to learn and work. If you ever feel your child needs extra support to make this happen, please reach out and we will listen and help.

Wishing all of our families a wonderful weekend...

Lindsey Maclean Leeann Morrow

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School Council

Last night we had our October School Council meeting. The team brainstormed ways we can begin to fundraise in order to ensure we have funds to purchase technology, revitalize our kindergarten play area and support our breakfast/snack program. Stay tuned for new fundraising initiatives planned for this year! Right now, we continue to offer an opportunity for families to support these initiatives by making a donation using School Cash Online. If you would like to make a donation, please click on the Donate button on School Cash Online, choose Rouge Park and in the message

box please feel free to indicate whether you would like your donation to go towards technology, the kindergarten play area or the snack program. Thank you to everyone who has already made a donation to help support these causes.

Halloween

The health and safety of our students remains a top priority. For students who wish to celebrate Halloween at school, please keep these reminders in mind:

- When planning costumes that no replica weapons of any kind are allowed.
- Costumes should be respectful of others. Symbols or objects representative of a person's culture or religious beliefs should not be worn as a costume.

Due to COVID-19 precautions, please be aware that:

- Students will not be able to use washrooms to change into costumes so we are asking that those who wish to dress up come to school in their costume and wear their regular clothes underneath. Costumes can be worn until morning recess.
- No Halloween masks are to be worn and students should only use single use make-up (no sharing of make-up).
- Students will still be required to wear PPE face masks.
- Costumes should be of simple design (to limit personal items being brought to school), and treats cannot be shared.

Cross Country Meet Pictures

We are so proud of our runners for training and competing this fall. Enjoy some pictures of the event!























Islamic Heritage Month

October is Islamic Heritage Month. This month affords an opportunity to reflect, celebrate and learn about the rich heritage and history of Muslims in areas such as literature, the arts, math, science, and socially. "Every Muslim Is Unique"

Our grade 3's have created a bulleting board that displays students' creative marble art domes imitating the art technique of Ebru or Turkish marble art. These domes are a common architectural feature found in the Muslim world and on masjids in our local communities. Each dome exhibits a remarkable Muslim. These individuals represent the rich diversity of the Muslim community.

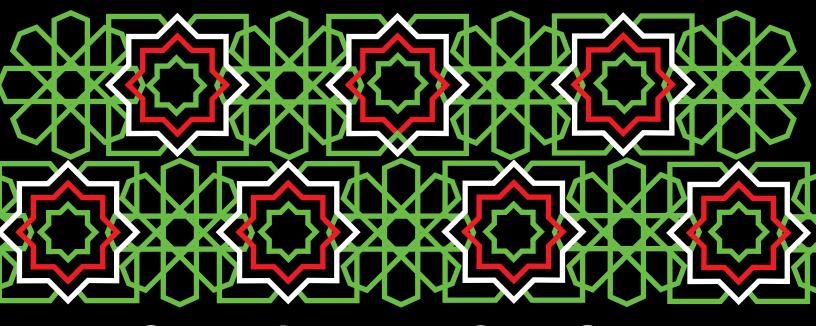








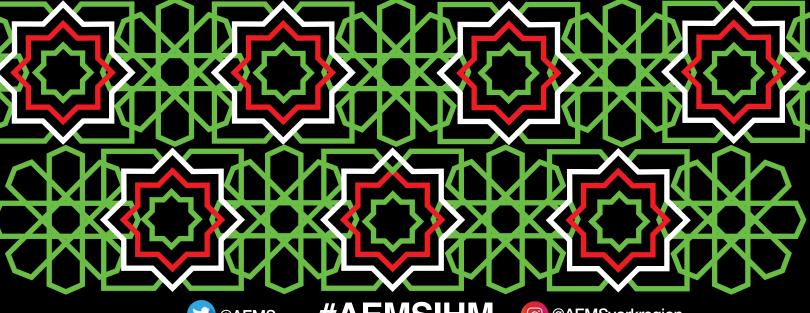




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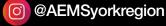
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October 2021
Register for Educator and Student Events at tinyurl.com/aemsihm





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Rouge Park Public School

568 Riverlands Avenue, Markham, ON L6B 0Y1

Dear parents/guardians,

As part of a partnership between YRDSB and Renewed Computer Technology (RCT), families with children enrolled in our Board have the opportunity to purchase quality refurbished computers at a reduced cost. Applicants must live in Ontario, have a student enrolled at the school and either receive government assistance payments or qualify as a limited income earner under the limited income cut-off standards*.

Below is a limited income grid for your reference.

Family size	Annual income*
2 people	\$30,286
3 people	\$37,234
4 people	\$45,206
5 people	\$51,272
6 people	\$57,286
7 people +	\$64,381

This year, there are multiple purchasing options for laptops and desktop computers. There are desktop computers available for between \$150 - \$300 and laptops are available for between \$150 - \$350. Please note that there are two options for delivery. If you would like for the computer to be delivered directly to your home, there is a \$40 charge for laptops and a \$50 charge for desktops. Families who choose this delivery option will have their order shipped when it is ready. If you would like the device shipped to your child's school, there is no charge, however, you will need to wait to receive your computer until after the application period closes and it will be delivered to your child's school.

Parents and legal guardians may apply for one computer per student, with a limit of two per household. Please see below for a full list of device specifications.

DESKTOP PACKAGES:

- Basic Desktop Package (\$60) Duo Core, with 6 GB RAM and 250 GB HD
- Basic Desktop Package Bundle (\$175) Duo Core, with 6 GB RAM and 250 GB HD, comes with webcam, and WIFI card
- Upgraded Desktop Package Bundle (\$250) -i5, with 8 GB RAM and 500 GB HD, comes with webcam, and WIFI card

LAPTOP PACKAGES:

- Basic Laptop Package Bundle (\$200) i3, with 6 GB RAM and 250 GB HD, comes with webcam
- Upgraded Laptop Package (\$300) i5, with 8 GB RAM and 500 GB HD
- **Please note that all computer packages are based on the inventory RCT has received from donations, and while specific requests can be made, they cannot always be fulfilled.

If you are interested in applying, please complete an online application at https://form.jotform.com/210054491659255 using the group code on the attached program flyer. The application period is from October 18, 2021 - November 19, 2021 with delivery to schools taking place prior to the winter break.

Please note - There are sections in the RCT Online Application that are no longer applicable:

Requirement of Proof or Documentation of Income

^{**}Desktop packages come with Monitor, Keyboard, Mouse, and Sound Card.

Requirement to participate in training prior to receiving your computer/laptop

The Section on Course of Study can pertain to elementary or secondary. If you do not have access to a computer or the Internet, please contact the administration team at your school for assistance.

For inquiries related to the RCT application process, devices and delivery, please contact Alexander Oliver (<u>Aoliver@rcto.ca</u>) and for inquiries related to support from YRDSB, please contact Yvonne Kelly (<u>yvonne.kelly@yrdsb.ca</u>)

For more information, including complete application and payment instructions, please refer to the attached program flyer and checklist.

Sincerely,

Lindsey Maclean Principal

Do you need a computer?

Renewed Computer Technology (RCT) is a not-for-profit, charitable organization that empowers learners, educators and not-for-profit organizations with increased access to information and communications technology (ICT), skill development and learning opportunities, in a socially and environmentally responsible manner.

Working with **York Region District School Board** we are offering affordable, renewed computer packages.



- 1. Open camera on phone
- 2. Hold camera up to QR code above
- 3. Click link that appears on your screen

You can apply for this program if you are:

A resident of Ontario and you are an individual with limited income.

Parents or legal guardians may apply on behalf of a child or youth under the age of 18.

We offer 1 computer, per family, with a limit of 2 per household per year.

We have Desktop Packages from \$60.00 to \$300.00. Plus \$50.00 to ship the computer to your home.



You get - a desktop complete with Windows 10 and MS Office 2010 - Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and OneNote plus learning software, monitor, keyboard and mouse

For more information, please contact:

Alexander Oliver RCT Community Engagement Lead AOliver@rcto.ca

All systems include our **STANDARD 2-YEAR DEPOT WARRANTY**

*batteries not covered by warranty

We have Laptop Packages from \$150.00 to \$350.00. Plus \$40.00 to ship the computer to your home.



You get - a laptop complete with Windows 10 and MS Office 2010 - Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and OneNote plus learning software

*Computers may not appear exactly as shown





Application Check-List

You can begin to apply for a computer on: October 10th, 2021

Application deadline: November 19th, 2021

Group Name: YRDSB | **Group Code**: G-YRDSB21



- 1. Open camera on phone
- 2. Hold camera up to QR code above
- 3. Click link that appears on your screen

How to fill out your application

Scan QR code OR access application using the link your organization provided

Section A

Group Name: YRDSB

Group Code: G-YRDSB21

Name of School: Please enter the name of the

student's school

Section B

This section does not apply to you.

Section C

I would like to pick up my computer in Mississauga RCT Warehouse (\$0.00 Shipping fee)

OR

I would like to order a laptop, please ship my computer to my home (\$40.00 shipping fee)

OR

I would like to order a desktop, please ship my computer to my home (\$50.00 shipping fee)
OR

I am working with Partner B and I will pick up my computer from the partner (\$20.00)

Section D

Pick your computer package and method of payment.

Our partner organization will need proof of eligibility (one of the following) before you can apply for a computer.

Proof of Financial Status (one of the following)

- Canada Revenue Agency Notice of Assessment (most recent)
- Ontario Works Statement (Social Assistance)
- OSAP Statement of Funding
- Refugee Payment Received from government
- Letter from school supporting the application
- El Benefit Statement
- ODSP (Disability Benefits)
- Second Career

Payment

You will have the following online payment options when completing your order:

- Credit/Debit Card
- Money Order or Certified Cheque
- A Third Party will be Paying (Ex. Ontario Works)

Certified Cheques should be made to: Renewed Computer Technology The applicant's name must be added in the memo field. When you come to pick up your computer, please bring a government photo ID.



