



Spartan Speaks - Stouffville District Secondary School

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Semester 1 Final Exams

Semester 1 final exams are from January 23-29, with exam review day on January 30/20. Friday, January 31st is a PA day (no school for students). Semester 2 will begin on Monday, February 3/20. Good luck to all students.

A copy of the exam schedule has been posted in all homeroom classes, on our school website, and has been sent to all students GAPPS accounts. Click below for a copy of the exam schedule, and the student exam guidelines. Thank you.

[Exam Schedule](#)

[Students Exam Guidelines](#)

Grade Photo RETAKES

For any student wishing to have a retake photo done, our photographer will be here on Wednesday February 19/20. A signup sheet will be available in the main office in February.

Yearbook Sales

The Yearbook classes are excited about this year's Yearbook. It will be bursting with photos, student portraits, activities, highlights, and of course, space for special autographs. Please consider the long-term value of a Yearbook. Your child can have a book that captures forever the special events of the year. A yearbook that grows more valuable over time.

We want to make sure that you are aware that there is still time to purchase a Yearbook.

We will be closing Yearbook purchases on February 18th, 2020.

Make sure your child doesn't miss out on this opportunity!

Please go to <http://yrdsb.schoolcashionline.com> to order your yearbook.

Golden Student of the Month

The "Golden Student of the Month" is selected by nomination. It is to honour students who volunteer within our community for non-for-profit organizations. This award is sponsored by McDonald's Canada. Nomination forms are available in the Guidance Office. Please submit your nominations today.

ATTENTION Grade 12 Graduating Students

Ontario Colleges' (OCAS) due date is **February 1st, 2020**. Students applying to college require their OEN (Ontario Education Number) to complete their application. This number appears on the top of a student's report card or may be requested from the Guidance Department.

Please note that both university and college applications may require supplementary materials. Students should be looking for emails confirming the processing of any post-secondary application or any additional material required for admission into the programs for which they have applied.

Exciting Updates from the SDSS Library Learning Commons (LLC)

OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE LLC AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PLEASE.

The SDSS LLC is now a **Quiet Work Space ONLY**.

Students are encouraged to respect the following expectations or find an alternative space to work, socialize and/or play:

1. Respect the designation assigned to each space in the LLC;
2. Respect the MAXIMUM number of students assigned for each space;
3. DO NOT remove any chairs from the Individual Study Carrels along the windows;
4. Use the space for school work and study, NOT for socializing or play.

SDSS LLC Student Pass

Students must have a pass to be granted entry to the Library Learning Commons during class. They will get this pass from their teacher if they deem a visit to the LLC necessary.

The LLC this month

In January we celebrate:

- Tamil Heritage Month



SDSS Upcoming Events – Jan/Feb 2020

MONDAY 27	TUESDAY 28	WEDNESDAY 29	THURSDAY 30	FRIDAY 31
Exams Period 3	Exams Period 4	Exams	Exam Review Day	P.A. Day (no school)
MONDAY 3	TUESDAY 4	WEDNESDAY 5	THURSDAY 6	FRIDAY 7
First Day of Semester 2 classes School Council Meeting 6:30pm		Concert Band @ MDHS 5:45pm-8:45pm		

Please check out the following web sites for current Board and school information:

- 1) York Region District School Board - www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca
- 2) Stouffville District Secondary School - <http://www.stouffvilledistrict.ss.yrdsb.edu.on.ca/>

Follow us on Twitter & Instagram

We are excited to announce that the SDSS twitter & Instagram accounts have regular updates about school information, initiatives and they are fantastic ways to learn about the amazing things happening at SDSS!



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2020 March Break Youth Engagement Program

Who is Suitable for this Program?

- This program is geared to mature students in Grade 9 – Grade 12 who may be interested in Policing or working within a Police service (not mandatory).
- This program is very structured and has a physical fitness component which all participants will be involved in.
- This program is designed to assist students in gaining self-confidence, self-discipline, self-awareness and resiliency.

Students Must Be:

- Resident of York Region
- Between the ages of 15-18 years old
- Currently in Grade 9 – Grade 12
- Currently attending a York Region Secondary School
- Complete an Essay and submit with the application
- All students must have their own transportation to this program – public transit is not an option

Our Goal:

- To have a week of learning and to experience a small portion of what the recruitment process may be like when applying to York Regional Police
- To enable you to get to know yourself better, your strengths as well as areas you can enhance
- To have you meet other students with similar goals and form lasting friendships
- To have you interact and work with Officers who will continue to mentor you during this week

How to Apply:

- Interested applicants please email csv@yrp.ca requesting a copy of the application
- Applications must be completed digitally and emailed back to csv@yrp.ca

For more information or further questions contact:

Debbie Robinson #5459, Supervisor, Community Safety Village, York Regional Police by email at csv@yrp.ca

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School Council Hosts



YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH PRESENTATION

Date: Thursday, January 30, 2020
Time: 7:00pm to 8:30pm
Place: Markham District High School
Library

- Youth mental health and its impact
- Treatment and importance of self-care
- Open discussion

**Guest speakers from Sunnybrook Hospital, Family
Navigation Project**

Miriam Blond, Family Navigator
Tracey Addison, Parent Advocate with Lived Experience
(PAL)



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