



Spartan Speaks - Stouffville District Secondary School

Nov 30, 2018

Happy Retirement Wishes

SDSS would like to extend Happy Retirement Wishes to two of our staff members, our attendance secretary Ms. Oxberry and our caretaker Mr. Graham.

Ms. Oxberry has been working at YRDSB for over 25 years, 18 of those have been at SDSS. Her positive attitude and hard work has contributed to the success of our school. Her dedication to the students, parents and staff has exceeded expectation and has been appreciated. We will miss her warm smile and kindness.

Mr. Graham has been with YRDSB for over 18 years. His hard work and friendly attitude has warmed up our hallways and classrooms. Always willing to lend a helping hand with a smile. We will miss his kindness and wonderful stories.

We thank you both for your years of service and your dedication to making this school a wonderful place to learn and work. We wish you all the best in your retirement, may it be filled with happiness. Now a new chapter begins, all the best and congratulations!

News from the DECA club

Congratulations to Mathusha, who, among a competitive group of thousands from York Region, has advanced to the Provincial level DECA competition to be held in February. We wish her best of luck! Also, big thanks go to our school DECA executive team for this year: Mathusha and Hawwa as Presidents, and Julie as Vice-President. Great job, ladies!

From the Guidance Office...

SHSM & Co-Op Presentation

Date: Thursday December 6th, 2018
Time: Period 1
Location: Cafeteria
Grade: 10 _

SHSM Open House /Q & A

Date: Tuesday December 18th, 2018
Time: PERIODS 2, 3, & 4
Location: Room 1003 (beside guidance)
Grade: 10, 11, 12 (future or current SHSM students)

Grade 12 Students

- Please remember to sign for your personal OUAC Letter in the Guidance Office. The PIN provided in this letter is a requirement if you want to apply to an Ontario University
 - All Ontario University applications must be completed before January 16th, 2019
 - All Ontario College applications must be completed before February 1st, 2019
 - It is a graduation requirement that 40 approved Community Involvement/Volunteer Hours are completed and submitted to the Guidance Office.
- New Opportunities are posted on the bulletin board that is located outside of our Office.

Accessibility Concerns?

The York Region District School Board is committed to eliminating obstacles to accessibility for all members of our school communities, including students, parents, staff, volunteers, visitors, suppliers, trades people, and anyone else who may come in contact with our school system. Recognizing that barriers to access often remain unknown to able-bodied persons, and that those with disabilities may not wish to draw attention to themselves, a method of submitting suggestions electronically has been created. Anyone concerned with a potential barrier to access a building or service is invited to report the concern online at the Board's website. Please visit www.yrdsb.ca:

- Click on the “accessibility for all” icon on the bottom left hand side of the page;
- On the “accessibility for all” page click on “Barrier Buster” on the top right hand corner; and
- Complete the “Barrier Buster” form and click “Submit”. This reporting procedure will allow all members of the school community to identify and describe particular impediments they or someone they know is experiencing in obtaining access to Board services or buildings. Some barriers may be easily resolved simply through an adjustment to processes or other physical conditions, while others may require consideration for extensive planning and capital investment.

Current/Upcoming Events – Dec 2018

MONDAY 3	TUESDAY 4	WEDNESDAY 5	THURSDAY 6	FRIDAY 7
	Cardboard Boat Competition	Physics & Mac Contest	SHSM/Coop Assembly Grade 10 Music Winter Concert 7:00pm-9:00pm	
MONDAY 10	TUESDAY 11	WEDNESDAY 12	THURSDAY 13	FRIDAY 14

Important bussing information sent from our Student Transportation Services of York Region

School Bus Cancellation Notice

To ensure the safety of students, school bus service may be cancelled due to inclement weather, extreme temperatures and/or poor road conditions. In these cases, parents and students should develop alternate care/transportation arrangements.

Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with the Safety Officers of school bus companies servicing York Region and are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature, road conditions and weather forecast.

Please note the following;

- A decision to cancel school bus service will be **region-wide** meaning all school buses, vans and taxis will not operate. Both the YRDSB and YCDSB operate many regional educational programs. Students attending these programs are transported over large attendance areas encompassing several municipal boundaries which prevents the ability to cancel bus service using a municipality or zone methodology.
- When bus service is cancelled all school tests and/or examinations will be cancelled and rescheduled.
- Student trips involving the use of school buses will also be cancelled.
- Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make arrangements to transport their children to and from school even if school bus service is cancelled. **If buses are cancelled in the morning, they will not operate in the afternoon. Therefore students transported to school by parents will require the same transportation home.**

A bus cancellation message will be available at www.schoolbuscity.com, by calling 1-877-330-3001, or by following @YRDSB and @YCDSB on Twitter.

Parents, students and school staff may also access the following radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information:

RADIO

590 AM	640 AM	680 AM	860 AM	1010 AM	1050 AM
1540 AM	1580 AM	88.5 FM	89.9 FM	92.5 FM	93.1 FM
94.9 FM	95.9 FM	97.3 FM	98.1 FM	99.1 FM	99.9 FM
101.1 FM	102.1 FM	104.5 FM	100.7 FM	105.9	107.1 FM

TELEVISION

CITY TV CTV Barrie CTV Toronto CP24 GLOBAL NEWS

No Parking / Designated Fire Routes

PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN DESIGNATED FIRE ROUTES

Any designated Fire Route needs to be clear of vehicles and ready for use by emergency vehicles.

In an emergency (fire, medical, lock down etc.) time is of the essence and emergency vehicles need access.

Fire Routes are signed "No Parking." What does that mean?

1. This means that you cannot stop your vehicle and get out of the vehicle even for a short period of time.
2. You must obey the signs at all times regardless of the time of day or night.

In 2017, the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville will adopt a zero tolerance approach to vehicles parked in designated Fire Routes. By-law Officers, Parking Officers, and Fire Prevention Officers will be issuing tickets when infractions are witnessed, to ensure the safety of all those using our schools and other buildings within the Municipality.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact: Whitchurch-Stouffville Fire & Emergency Services at **905-640-9595** OR By-Law Department at **905-640-1900 Ext. 2258**

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/>

SDSS Contact Information:

Rose Walker, Principal, 905-640-1433

Jeff Foran, Vice Principal, 905-640-1433

Karen Parris, Vice Principal, 905-640-1433

Loralea Carruthers, School Trustee- East Gwillimbury and Whitchurch-Stouffville,
905-953-0562