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Message From the Principal

Dear Thornlea Families,

There has been a great deal of activity at Thornlea taking place over the last few weeks. Our students in grade 12 have been writing AP exams. These exams are written at the same time all over the world and are set by the College Board at Princeton University. If a student is successful on the exam they can receive advanced standing at University which will allow them to gain a first year university credit. The exams are very challenging and take a great deal of preparation. We wish all our AP students good luck on their exams.

Our students are also preparing for the grade ten EQAO literacy test. This is a graduation requirement and it must be completed before students graduate with their Ontario Secondary School Diploma. Below is some important information for all our students.

****OSSLT REMINDER****

The spring administration of the OSSLT will take place on **Tuesday May 10th** for the students in Grade 10 and **Wednesday May 11th** for the students in Grade 11 and non-graduating Grade 12 students who did not participate in, or were not successful in the fall administration. Unlike the fall administration, the assessment days will **not** be asynchronous.

All students in grades 9, 11, and 12 who are not participating in the test will follow the regular school schedule and attend all classes as usual. Grade 10 students not participating in the spring OSSLT assessment are required to attend school and will engage in learning to build upon reading and writing skills in preparation for the next OSSLT assessment and complete any outstanding work.

Thornlea is running a full slate of spring sports and it is nice to see our students outside on our fields practicing rugby, soccer, track and field, flag football, ultimate Frisbee and coed Volleyball. Our drama students are busy putting together the final show of the year. Finally I would like to remind everyone that our final School Council meeting will take place online on Monday May 16th at 7:00 p.m. An invite will be sent to parents closer to the date.

Warmest Regards,

Joe Foti Principal



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School Council Corner

Upcoming Meetings:

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We wanted to send a friendly reminder about our online fundraiser, **FlipGive**. Thank you to those of you who have registered but we need more people to sign up. Remember, it's virtual and at no cost to you. **FlipGive** can be used for when you're buying gift cards for any occasion; Birthdays, Christmas, Hanukkah, Easter, Ramadan, Mother's Day or Father's Day, Teacher Appreciation, Graduation. **It can also be used by you for everyday purchases** at Wal-mart, Sobey's, Loblaws or Staples or staying at a Hotel. There are so many stores to choose from.

➤ **Join online at:** <https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?joincode=5FLXC7>

Use this code: **5FLXC7**

Please share the link with your family, friends & coworkers to help support our school.
All proceeds will be used to support our students.



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Absence Protocol

If your child is going to be absent, please inform us.



Call: 905 889-9696
Press 1 for Attendance
or
Email
thornleass.attendance@yrdsb.ca

Has your contact information changed?



Please email:
thornlea.ss@yrdsb.ca

Covid-19 School Screening Tool:

<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>



Masking recommendation in York Region schools

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/sites/default/files/2022-04/Parent%20Letter%20-%20Masking%20Recommendation.pdf>



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*June 27, 2022
Mark your
calendars!*



The Graduation Ceremony will be held at
LeParc

8432 Leslie Street, Thornhill, Ontario L3T 7M6
(Parking availability is limited)

The Ceremony will begin at 7:00pm
Graduates are asked to arrive at 6:00pm Sharp

2 Guest Tickets Per Grad
Tickets and Gowns will be distributed to
the graduates in mid-June

If you require additional tickets, please send your child to see
Ms. Burdett in Guidance on June 15th from 7:00am—8:45am
(An additional 2 tickets may be provided on a first come first
serve basis).



Student Success Corner



Late/Missed Assignments

Students are responsible for providing evidence of learning within a timeframe specified by the teacher, and in a format approved by the teacher. There are many supports available to help students with assignment completion. Students should understand that there will be consequences for not completing assignments for evaluation or for submitting those assignments late. Our Student Success Team is here to help.

Our Students Success Team is made up of a school administrator, student success teacher, guidance counselor, special education teacher and other educators (i.e. literacy teacher, math teacher, ELL teacher, CYW). The Student Success Team meets regularly to provide extra attention to students that need it, review data and determine next steps.

If you need to get in touch with us please email our Student Success Guidance Counselor:

Viviane.estafanos@yrdsb.ca



The Student Success Team is happy to continue offering ...

Thornlea's Mentorship Program for the year 2021-2022.

Thornlea's Breakfast Club Program. We continue to offer pre-packaged breakfasts daily from 8:30 to 8:50 AM. (Available for pick up at the school's main entrance)

Thornlea's Tutoring Program will restart on Thursday February 17 after school. Students can receive extra support every Thursday after school in TLC (Thornlea Learning Centre-Room 213) or daily during lunch.

Thank you for your continued support!

The Student Success Team



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Message From Guidance

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Summer School

- Summer School registration is still open, please contact your guidance counselor for support.

College and University Applicants

- Graduating students who plan to attend college or university in September should continue to check their OCAS and OUAC accounts and their email on a regular basis. College bound students should have received a response from the colleges that they applied to and can expect to receive communication about payment of fees, with mid-June being the earliest that colleges can require payment of tuition fees.
- A reminder that all offers are **CONDITIONAL** upon the receipt of final grades in July – students should continue to work hard to ensure the required final average.

University Applications:

Click on the link for **OUAC Important Dates - Jan - June 2022**

→ **Important Notice for all grade 12's that have applied through OUAC for university!**

Your mid-term grades from semester two have been processed by OUAC and sent to the Universities to which you have applied. Please log on to your online application in order to review your academic information. This verification is especially important if OUAC does not have a valid email address on file, or you are not able to receive emails from OUAC/your Universities because of a junk-mail setting with your inbox. If you see an error in your OUAC file, it is very important that you contact your Guidance Counselor as soon as possible to have it corrected.



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- We highly recommend you accept your offer before the **deadline of June 1st**. You should be contacted by **May 27th** if you have been accepted into your program. The next OUAC transmission will be on **July 7th**.
- University bound students should verify the deadline for **payment to secure a space in residence (usually June 1st)**.

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Your mid-term grades from semester two have been processed by OCAS and sent to the Colleges to which you have applied. Please log on to your online application in order to review your academic information. This verification is especially important if OCAS does not have a valid email address on file, or you are not able to receive emails from OCAS/your Colleges because of a junk-mail setting with you inbox. If you see an error in your OCAS file, it is very important that you contact your Guidance Counselor as soon as possible to have it corrected.
- The "Equal Consideration" Deadline for your Ontario College Application was February 1st, 2022. Students can still apply. Please see your counselor if you need support.

Community Service Hours

We would also like to remind our learning community that there is a process in place for Community Service Hours. All graduating students must complete 20 community hours to obtain their Ontario Secondary School Diploma. The Guidance department must approve your community service opportunity before you start your hours. It should be at a Not-For-Profit organization.

See link below for the form:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/thornlea.ss/guidance/Documents/Community%20Service%20Hours%20Form.pdf>

Please access information through our Thornlea Guidance Webpage:

[Thornlea Guidance Webpage](#)

[Ontario University Slide Deck Presentation](#)

[Ontario College Slide Deck Presentation](#)

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr. Nizam Alkins, Head of Guidance and Career Education



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Summer Pathway Programs 2022

2 Credit In-Person Co-op May-July 2022
May 25-July 29, 2022

Dual Credit - Remote and In-Person July 2022
July 4-29, 2022

Youth Innovation By Design - YSpace Markham Campus
July 6-29, 2022

1 Credit In-Person Co-op
July 6 –29 2022

More Information

2022 Summer School Programs (Open for Registration)

In-person Summer School:

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/secondary-school/summer-learning-opportunities/2022-person-secondary-summer-school>

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/secondary-school/summer-learning-opportunities/secondary-summer-school/courses-offered>

On-Line Summer School:

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/online-learning-formerly-e-learning/online-learning-secondary-summer-school>

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/online-learning-formerly-e-learning/summer-school-online-learning/online-learning>



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Information from YRDSB

Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter - May 2022



Children's Mental Health Awareness Week

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/node/3172>



<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/sites/default/files/2022-04/Black-Youth-Hotline.pdf>



Jewish Heritage Month Live Tour
For Students Grades 6-12, Parents, Guardians
and Community

May 17th, 2022 | 10:00am - 10:45am

[Registration Form](#)



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Alliance of Educators for Black Students (AEBS) EBS Annual Student Achievement Awards 2022 “Celebrating Black Excellence”

Wednesday, June 8, 2022 (Virtually) 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm (EST)

Please use the following hyperlink to submit your nomination(s):

<http://bit.ly/AEBSAwards22>



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The South Asian & Tamil Women's Collective Annual Well-Being Conference

The South Asian & Tamil Women's Collective (WOW) in collaboration with ESSAH and ETSS invites self-identifying South Asian and Tamil, female/non-binary, grades 5 to 12 students to attend our **2022 Annual Well-Being Conference Virtual**

Students will participate in two evenings of culturally responsive coaching and mentorship in support of agency, health, and well-being.

When

Wednesday, May 11th and Thursday, May 12th, 2022
4:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Where

Zoom link to be provided by email

Registration

Students should register for the conference through the Google Form.

REGISTER TODAY
bit.ly/SATWC





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YRDSB Helpful Links:

[What is De-Streaming](#)

[COVID-19 Mental Health Resources for Students and Families](#)

[School Mental Health Ontario](#)

[COVID Community Resources for Behaviour, Mental Health and Financial Supports](#)

Upcoming Events

PA Day	May 6, 2022
OSSLT - Grade 10	May 10, 2022
OSSLT - Grade 11 & Grade 12	May 11, 2022
Virtual School Council Meeting	May 16, 2022
Victoria Day Holiday (No School)	May 23, 2022
EQAO - Math	June 20, 2022
EQAO - Math	June 21, 2022
Graduation	June 27, 2022
Prom	June 28, 2022
PA Day	June 30, 2022