



# Thornlea Secondary School

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Bi-Weekly e-Bulletin

April 19, 2024

## IMPORTANT DATES

April 25	Cultural Day (Assembly Schedule - Lunch 11:55-12:55)
April 29	Midterm Report Cards via student gapps account
April 30	Coffee House 6:30-8:30 Doors Open 6:00pm
May 1	School Council Guest Speaker
May 6	PA Day



## Warm Weather Reminder

As the weather warms up and more students choose to be outdoors for lunch or walk or bike to school, it is important to exercise caution when picking up and dropping off your student. Please work with us to keep everyone safe.

## Culture Day

Thornlea will be hosting the first ever Culture Day! Students and staff will celebrate the rich art and cultures of our school community on Friday April 26th.. We will follow an assembly schedule. Classes will be shortened; lunch will occur from 11:55 - 12:55 pm.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL

**Meeting Time:** N/A  
**Meeting Location:** Library  
(across from the office)

**Meeting Date:**  
N/A

**SCHOOL email:**

[thornlea.ss@yrdsb.ca](mailto:thornlea.ss@yrdsb.ca)

**ATTENDANCE email:**

[thornleass.attendance@yrdsb.ca](mailto:thornleass.attendance@yrdsb.ca)

**CONTACT/TELEPHONE CHANGE:**

[thornlea.ss@yrdsb.ca](mailto:thornlea.ss@yrdsb.ca)

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](mailto:thornleass.attendance@yrdsb.ca)

Has your contact information changed?



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## CLASSROOM CONNECTION

### STUDENT MEDICAL FORMS:

[Anaphylaxis Health Care Plan](#)  
[Asthma Health Care Plan](#)  
[Diabetes Health Care Plan](#)  
[Epilepsy Health Care Plan](#)  
[Self Administration of Medication](#)

### YRDSB LINKS:

[18+ Student Consent Form](#)  
[SchoolCash Online](#)  
[What is De-Streaming](#)  
[YRDSB Guide to the School Year](#)

### USEFUL LINKS:

[Thornlea Calendar](#)  
[Thornlea Instagram](#)  
[Thornlea Website](#)  
[York Region Public Health](#)

**COFFEEHOUSE 2024 & IMMERSIVE ART EXHIBIT**

**WHEN: APRIL 30TH 2024**  
**WHERE: TLSS GYM**  
**TIME: DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM**  
**SHOW STARTS AT 6:30-8:30PM**  
**PRICE:**  
**\$5.00/TICKET (INCLUDES FREE BEVERAGE)**  
**\$10.00/TICKET (INCLUDES GRUBHUB DINNER, POP AND FREE BEVERAGE)**

**FEATURING**  
ELECTRIC GUITARISTS  
SOLO PERFORMANCES  
DUETS  
PHOTOBOOTH  
STRING LIGHTS  
LOTS OF BALLOONS  
COZY COMFY VIBES  
AND... A SPECIAL GUEST APPEARANCE

**APRIL 30TH**  
@THORNLEADRAMA  
**BE THERE.**

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**Date: April 30th 2024 from 6:30-8:30pm. Doors open at 6:00pm**

**Where: Thornlea Secondary School in the Gymnasium.**

## **DESCRIPTION:**

Welcome to our wonderful spectacular show of the year. This season, we invite all of you to join us to celebrate our talented students from our Arts, Music and Drama Department and our amazing Immersive Media Arts Club and Arts Council for their beautiful projections on the walls, Mr. Saleh's GrubHub Team for providing us delicious food and Ms. Bern for organizing all of the students who will be showcasing their singing/instrumental skills this year.

We will also be having a photobooth available so that students/families can enjoy taking #selfies with their loved ones.

Join us, bring your friends and families to come and support our Talent Show of the year!

This is what Thornlea is all about - bringing talents, students, families AND good energy all around!

## **THE COFFEE HOUSE STANDARD:**

**COST: \$5.00** through school cash online or at the door purchase

This price includes entry fee and a choice of hot beverage : hot chocolate, coffee or tea @ the door.

## **THE COFFEE HOUSE DELUXE:**

**Cost: \$10.00** through school cash online or at the door purchase.

This price includes entry fee, a choice of hot beverage : hot chocolate, coffee or tea AND a choice of pop/dinner from the Grub Hub.

Please bring cash if you wish to purchase desserts! Our students/teachers will be baking yummy treats (gluten free/ vegan options available too!)

\* all nut free! \*

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## Thunder Robotics Team



Congratulations to our robotics team Thunder Robotics Team 8764 for playing very well during three days of grueling robotics competition at the FIRST Robotics Competition Ontario Provincial Championship at The International Centre, 6900 Airport Road, Mississauga, ON L4V 1V8 Canada from April 4 - April 6, featuring the top 100 teams from across Ontario. The Provincial Championship marks the end of our 2024 competition season this year as we look forward to next year's FIRST Robotics Competition and look back to this year at what worked well, where we can improve, and lessons learned. During this season our team worked on technical skills such as computer programming, electronics, robotics, networks, and fabrication. In addition, the primary goal of FRC is for students to grow in areas of Gracious Professionalism® such as being respectful and considerate toward opponents and teammates, maintaining positivity with good energy in our thoughts and actions, humility in all that we do, working and competing together as a community, having grace in victory and dignity in defeat and being grateful for all opportunities provided by FIRST and its mentors. You can watch one of our matches here on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m9FIMpaFZVo>

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## NEWS FROM ARTS DEPARTMENT

## A FIELD TRIP TO ROM

*On March 26th, we visited the Royal Ontario Museum.  
We had a great time exploring Art, Cultures and History..*



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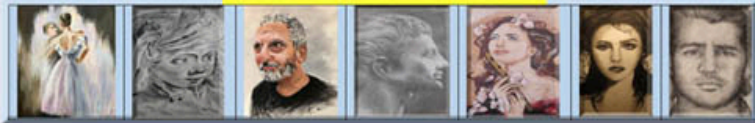
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## NEWS FROM ARTS DEPARTMENT

### **SPRING ART SALES** *Shop the One of a Kind Artwork from Thornlea Artists!*



Dear Thornlea Staff, Parents/ Guardians,  
You are invited for a sneak peek!

Our students will be selling their beautiful Jewellery sets, Landscapes, Portraits, Still-Life paintings, Venetian Masks and more.

If you are planning to buy gifts for your families and friends, please come and see our great selection of beautiful items for your enjoyment. Don't miss out on the fun!

Our Grade 11/12 students are willing to draw or paint commissioned Portraits and Still-Life (please see samplings of their artwork). Artworks will be commissioned in a variety of sizes with a choice of background, and text may be drawn in. Just bring your photographs/ reference images, and our Artists in Residence will draw or paint your picture in any medium of your choice (pencil, charcoal, acrylic, pastels).

All money raised will be used to benefit our school's Arts program and for planning Arts events and festivals. Let's raise some money for our School to make our year better! Thank you for your support!

Mme Bern and Arts /Student Equity Council



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## GUIDANCE NEWS

[Thornlea Guidance Webpage](#)

## SUMMER SCHOOL IS NOW OPEN!!

### [2024 Secondary Summer School In-Person Learning | York Region District School Board](#)

The York Region District School Board will once again be offering acceleration (in-person) and reinforcement courses during the summer. The hours for all courses are 8:45 a.m to 3:33 p.m. with two 15-minute scheduled breaks and a 40-minute lunch period. Acceleration courses start Wednesday, July 3 and end Friday, July 26. Session 1 for reinforcement courses start Wednesday, July 3 and end Monday, July 15. Session 2 for reinforcement courses start Tuesday, July 16 and end Friday, July 26.

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/secondary-school/summer-learning-opportunities/2024-secondary-summer-school-person>

### [Secondary Summer School Online Learning \(asynchronous\) | York Region District School Board](#)

The York Region District School Board provides learners a flexible approach to earning credits in the summer through Online Learning. Online Learning courses are taught by YRDSB teachers using Ontario's Virtual Learning Environment-BrightSpace by D2L. Students are not required to log in at a specific time each day. Classes occur online using an asynchronous model, with synchronous learning opportunities offered with the teacher. Access to a desktop or laptop computer with high-speed internet to do coursework is required.

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

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## University Information Link

**New Student Hyperdoc - "I've Applied to an Ontario University - What's Next?"**

<https://www.ontariocolleges.ca/en/apply/important-dates>



## When to Apply to College - Ontario Colleges

Don't miss any important dates for applying to college. Stay informed on offers, fees, and deadlines to plan your education and achieve your career goals.

[www.ontariocolleges.ca](http://www.ontariocolleges.ca)

<https://www.ontariocolleges.ca/en/faq>

**ontariocolleges.c**

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## Frequently Asked Questions

Get answers to your college-related questions at OntarioColleges.ca. From admissions to tuition, we've got you covered. Browse our FAQs now.

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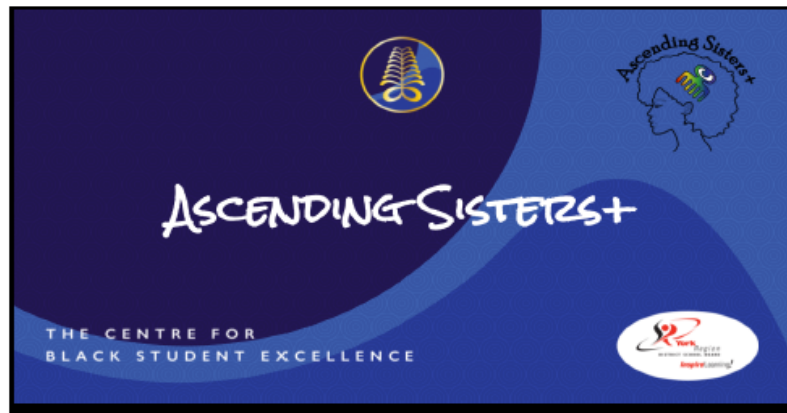


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Ascending Sisters+ serves as a mentorship program that connects Black girls and non-binary students in grades 7 to 10 with Black YRDSB staff in alignment with the [YRDSB Dismantling Anti-Black Racism Strategy](#). Programming will include: leadership training, career exploration, guest speakers, connections to affirming community initiatives, connections to healing and well-being activities.

Priorities of the program :

- An affirming space where we can learn more about our shared history and identity.
- An opportunity to build a collective voice for Black girls
- Build self confidence and self-esteem for students to be their best selves and future leaders.
- Developing knowledge of post-secondary education and potential career pathways, strengthening communication and advocacy skills.
- Learning strategies that support one's mental health and provide Wellness.

First Meeting - Date April 30th, 2024 Time: from 1-2pm. Location: Virtual (Google Meet with the nickname: AscendingSisters) Registration: Will take place through a YRDSB Point of Contact Staff or Administrator who will register the student. For additional information - Contact: [AscendingSisters@yrdsb.ca](mailto:AscendingSisters@yrdsb.ca)

Meetings will take place virtually during the school day and students will be excused from their regular classes and programming in order to participate.

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## Supports for Students with Autism and their Families

This session will support parents, guardians and families with:

- Understanding Autism
- Process for diagnosis
- YRDSB referral process
- School supports
- Community resources

Date: Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Location: Unionville High School, 201 Town Centre Blvd, Markham, ON L3R 8G5

Please use the QR code to [register](#) or visit <http://bit.ly/48JD1dd> by Apr. 28!



This free information session is organized by Inclusive School and Community Services in partnership with Student Services of York Region District School Board. For more information, please email [shani.blake@yrdsb.ca](mailto:shani.blake@yrdsb.ca) or [pauline.guo@yrdsb.ca](mailto:pauline.guo@yrdsb.ca)

Please note that childcare will not be provided.

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## Thornlea SS STUDENT SIN CLINIC May 10, 2024

Meet with a Service Canada representative and receive your  
Social Insurance Number on the Spot!

Service Canada representatives will be at your school to help students and newcomers apply for their Social Insurance Numbers, learn about the Canada Job Bank and Summer Program for Youth and learn about the new Federal Dental Program.

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location	What to Bring	Primary Document	Secondary Document	Benefits
Thornlea SS	A primary identification document and a secondary document such as a passport or provincial identification.  You would need to bring your original primary document, no photocopies accepted.	Permanent Resident Card or a Confirmation of Permanent Residence or A Study Permit/Work Permit/Visitor Record issued by IRCC which indicates the permit holder "may accept employment" or "may work" in Canada	or A Certificate of Birth or Birth Certificate issued by the vital statistics agency in the province or territory of birth	Be job ready for summer employment by receiving your Social Insurance Number.  Learn about the Job Bank and Canada Summer Jobs program for Youth  Learn about the new Federal Dental Program

This free service is brought to our school communities through a joint project with Service Canada and York Region District School Board.

For more information, please contact YRDSB Community & Partnership Developers,

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## April, May, June YRES Youth Workshop Calendar



### April

- APR 6** | Course Selections and University Applications (G9-12)
- APR 13** | Finding Your Calling and Passion (G9-12)
- APR 20** | The Benefits of Tutoring and Its Effects on Academic Performance (G6-12)
- APR 27** | Achieving Your Academic Goals (Transition from Middle to High School, G8-9)

### May

- MAY 4** | Discovering Volunteering Opportunities (G9-12)
- MAY 11** | Financial Literacy 101 (G10-12)
- MAY 18** | Clear and Compelling Communication (G9-12)
- MAY 25** | Discovering Volunteering Opportunities (G9-12)

### June

- JUN 1** | Resumes, Cover Letters, and Interview Preparation (G6-12)
- JUN 8** | Navigating High School and Beyond (G11-12)


 **Aaniin Community Centre**  
5665 14th Ave, Markham  
or Zoom

 **3PM - 4PM (EST)**

 **FREE Workshops**

Scan the QR code to register.

 [yorkeducation.org](http://yorkeducation.org)

 [info@yorkeducation.ca](mailto:info@yorkeducation.ca)



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## Sikh Trails In Canadian Landscapes

Please join us to commemorate our Sikh Heritage Month Celebration with the Sikh Educators Voice Alliance and Sikh Student Association.

Our focus is on **Sikh Trails In Canadian Landscapes**. At this event, the Sikh Educators Voice Alliance (SEVA) and Sikh Student Association (SSA) will provide time and space to highlight and promote Sikh histories, language and identity and to build unity through community.

### Exhibits:

- Keynote Speaker: Kulvir Singh Gill
- Artifacts
- Artwork / Spoken Word by YRDSB Students
- Gatka Performance
- Bhangra Performance
- Community Partners and Vendors

All are welcome to come learn, celebrate, and grow with us.

### When

Saturday, April 27, 2024

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

### Where

Middlefield Collegiate Institute

525 Highglen Ave, Markham, ON L3S 3L5

This event is an opportunity for parents, families and YRDSB staff members to network, share, and learn about ways to affirm and create positive spaces for students of Sikh identity.

Light refreshments will be served.

Please fill out the [Registration Form](#) by April 22, 2024  
If you have an questions reach out to [Harpinder.kaur@yrdsb.ca](mailto:Harpinder.kaur@yrdsb.ca)

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