



Thornlea Secondary School

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January 19, 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

Jan 25-31	Exams
Feb 1	Exam Review Day (Modified Schedule) OR Inclement Weather Day Exams
Feb 2	PA Day
Feb 5	Semester 2, Term 1 Begins
Feb 8	YRPH School Immunization Clinic in Thornlea Library



SCHOOL COUNCIL

Meeting Time: 7:00pm
Meeting Location: Library (across from the office)

Meeting Dates:
Monday Feb. 20, 2024
Monday Apr. 15, 2024

SCHOOL email:
thornlea.ss@yrdsb.ca

ATTENDANCE email:
thornleass.attendance@yrdsb.ca

CONTACT/TELEPHONE CHANGE:
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

Has your contact information changed?



Please email:

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Driving Your Child to School

Please be considerate and careful when using the school parking lot. In the interest of safely dropping off and picking up your child and to help traffic move smoothly, we ask parents/guardians not to stop or park on the side of the school adjacent to Bayview Avenue; this is a fire route and will impede the arrival of emergency vehicles. As well, parking or stopping in the loop off Bayview Avenue slows the flow of traffic. To facilitate the process of dropping off and picking up, we ask that you drop off and pick up your student in the back parking lot of the school. To avoid the morning rush, consider dropping off your student before 8:45 a.m., carpooling, or encouraging your child to walk or make use of public transit.

Thank you for working with us to keep our students and staff safe.

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

USEFUL LINKS:

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

CLASSROOM CONNECTION

[Exams - January 25 to January 31](#)

[Exam/Mark Review Day - February 1](#)

Please find the [Exam Schedule for Semester 1](#) occurring **Thursday, January 25 to Wednesday, January 31**. Also included is the schedule for the Exam/Mark Review Day on **Thursday, February 1**.

Friday, February 2 is a PA Day and students will not attend school. Semester 2 begins on **Monday, February 5**.

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Staff PA Day Plan for Friday, February 2, 2024

Length: Half Day - AM

Topic: Violence Prevention Training on Student Safety and Violent Incident Prevention

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Online module developed by Board staff, facilitated by Administration.

Description: Staff will be engaging in learning related to:

- developing relationships and identity-affirming working and learning environments;
- identifying warning signs that a person's behaviour may be escalating;
- responding to escalations using specific strategies;
- exploring case studies;
- following reporting procedures; and accessing support and resources.

Topic: School teams will engage in School Improvement planning facilitated by school leaders. Topics will vary by subject and may include:

- preparation for Semester 2
- high yield instructional strategies in the de-streamed math, science, or English classroom
- data analysis for school improvement.

Length: Half Day - PM

Topic: Curriculum Implementation

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): School Administration and Board based personnel

Description: Equitable assessment practices, MLL learning, and SIP/Department Meetings

Details: School teams will engage in School Improvement planning facilitated by school leaders. Topics will vary by subject and may include:

- embedding strategies to support teaching multilingual language learners into the curriculum
- embedding subject specific high yield strategies into instruction and assessment
- data analysis for school improvement.

School Teams will continue to engage in School Improvement Planning that supports the implementation of equitable assessment practices, curriculum changes and instructional strategies to support students in the de-streamed classroom.

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GUIDANCE NEWS

Applying to College or University?

Applications are now open! Start your application today by clicking on the links below for next steps.

University Information Link

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/thornlea.ss/guidance/Pages/University.aspx>

College Information Link

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/thornlea.ss/guidance/Pages/College.aspx>

Equal Consideration Deadline for applications to Ontario Colleges is February 1, 2024.

[Thornlea Guidance Webpage](#)

Semester 2 Information

- Course Request Changes - the google request form will be emailed to all students on **Jan. 26th** - there are very limited choices and you can only submit the form once.
- The equal consideration application deadline for Ontario College is **February 1, 2024**
- **Feb. 15** is the OUAC transmission of final grades for Ontario Universities.
- **Feb. 16** is the OCAS transmission of final grades for Ontario Colleges.
- **Feb. 15** is the start of course selection for September 2024, students must submit by **Feb. 23rd**.
- Summer school registration will open in late April, date to be announced.

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Welcome to Thornlea Guidance Services!

Students are assigned a counsellor according to their surname.

To connect with your Guidance Counsellor, please scan the QR CODE or use the bit.ly below.



bit.ly/ThornleaGuidance

SCAN ME

Once you have submitted the form, your Guidance Counsellor will connect with you via your GAPPS email to set up an appointment.

N. Alkins (Head of Guidance)	A - KAL
L. Rai (SHSM Lead)	KAM - SHEN
A. Tse (Head of ESL)	SHER - WANG
L. Ceausu (Head of History)	WAT - Z

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Night School

Night School registration for the Winter session is now open through my Pathway Planner and will close at noon on Thursday, February 1, 2024. It will re-open on Friday, February 2, 2024 and students can register in limited courses that show availability up until the second night of classes which is Tuesday, February 20, 2024.

Please be advised that our traditional in class face-to-face [Night School program](#) (Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 pm to 9:45 pm) will continue to use a remote learning delivery model. The program will be delivered virtually in real-time (synchronous).

The first night of class is Thursday, February 15, 2024 and the program ends Thursday, June 6, 2024. In order to help expedite the registration process, we ask that Guidance Counsellors approve course selections as soon as possible. Students who register prior to Thursday February 8, 2024 will receive a Welcome email. **Students with unapproved course requests will not be registered.**

Kindly note course offerings are not guaranteed as they are subject to sufficient enrolment and teacher availability. Should a course be cancelled, YRDSB students will receive an email through their gapps account while non YRDSB students will be contacted by phone. Kindly encourage students to check their gapps account or my Pathway Course Planner and visit our [course offerings](#) to see if their selected course has been cancelled.

We also ask that guidance counselors continue to monitor and keep track of those students who have signed up for a Night School course. Students are asked to update their guidance counselors if they are withdrawing from a course.

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Vaccine Eligibility for Students - York Region Public Health

On February 8th, 2024, YRPH will offer catch-up immunization clinics to students in grades 9 through 12 [in the library of Thornlea Secondary School](#).

Ontario's [Immunization of School Pupils Act \(ISPA\)](#) requires students to be vaccinated against nine designated diseases or have a valid exemption. The immunization clinics are convenient opportunities for students to get caught up on missing vaccine doses prior to future school suspension campaigns.

Parents/students will be notified by mail in January of missing routine immunizations they are eligible to receive at their in-school immunization clinic in February. Also, students who missed an in-school clinic may visit their health care provider or book an appointment at a [YRPH Clinic Locations](#) to obtain any missing routine immunizations.

The parent/school letters sent out will also include a link to a [YRPH consent and Immunization Record Upload](#) and stored securely by YRPH. We will also post all immunization information about the high school clinics, including the e-consent form on [york.ca/immunization](#).

For more information, please contact us at 1-877-464-9675 about any questions related to routine immunizations and the clinics.

Please make sure your child's consent was filled out at YRPH and are aware they will be receiving a vaccine on February 8th.

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