

Tommy Douglas SS e-Newsletter



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EXAMS and Summative tasks (See P.g 3 for more details)

All students must participate in the final summative assessment(s). These assessments make up the final evaluation representing 30 percent of student report card grades. Students are expected to complete all final summative assessments at the place, date and time indicated by the teacher and by the examination schedule provided by the school. **Students can not leave early for vacations, employment or other activities such as summer camps during the examination schedule.**

Exam Feedback Day

June 28th is a modified schedule for **Exam/Culminating Review**. The purpose of this day is to meet with teachers and review final exams and/or culminating assessments. The schedule is below.

Mark Feedback Day- June 28	
(Period 1) Class	8:10 - 8:45am
(Period 2) Class	8:50 - 9:25am
(Period 3) Class	9:30 - 10:05am
(Period 4) Class	10:10 - 10:45am
Lunch	10:45 - 11:25am
No classes from 11:25-2:25 pm	

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Extensions

Reception 0

Attendance 1

Guidance 3

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School News and Information

Attention families of graduating students

The 2022-2023 graduation will take place at the Terrace Banquet Hall on June 27th, all guests and parents should arrive by 6:15pm. Address: 1680 Creditstone Road, Concord , ON.

Reminders:

1. Traffic is very busy in the area, arrive early by 6:15pm
2. Do not forget your ticket (**can not** enter without it)
3. Tickets **can not** be purchased at the door
4. Graduates must arrive by 5:30pm and enter through entry # 3, located at the far left of the building

Student Graduation Packages

The package includes their gown, stole, hat and the cost of the graduation venue. This year the cost is \$75. We ask that families purchase their child's grad package order as soon as possible.

Summer School Registration Is Now Open On MyBlue Print

Summer school registration is open on MyBlue Print. If you are interested in learning more about summer school including method of delivery, timelines etc. Please [see attached link](#).

Registration is completed on [MyBlue Print](#) by clicking on the Continuing Education tab found on the left hand side of the screen and by following the prompts.

MARKHAM AFRICAN CARIBBEAN CANADIAN ASSOCIATION

The Markham African Caribbean Canadian Association (MACCA) will be awarding Scholarships of \$1,000 to each selected recipient. Selection is based on students' involvement and dedication to their community and academic achievements. A complete application should be mailed to MACCA by Friday June 30, 2023. [Application and registration can be found here](#)

Important Dates

June 20-27 - Exams

June 27- Graduation arrive by 6:15pm

June 28- Exam Feedback Day

Helpful Links

PUBLIC HEALTH LINKS:
york.ca/safeatschool

CARING & SAFE SCHOOLS:
[Kids Help Phone Report It \(YRDSB\)](#)

SUPPORTING MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING:
Crisis Mental Health Supports for Students:

310-COPE: 905-310-COPE (2673) or 1-855-310-COPE (2673) - available 24/7
KidsHelpPhone: 1-800-668-6868, text 686868 - available 24/7



School News and Information

Exams and Culminating Assessments

DO NOT make plans for travel, appointments, etc. during the exam period (**June 20-27**) students are required to write ALL exams at the scheduled time. Failure to report for an examination may result in a mark of "0". If a student is absent from an exam for medical reasons, documentation is required. Illness or emergencies will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

Google Takeout for Students that are Graduating or Leaving YRDSB

All retiring students from YRDSB - whether they are graduating or moving school boards - have the opportunity to download their Google Workspace for Education files as found in their Google Drive.

Please follow the following steps to export your data and documents:



1. Visit [Google Takeout](#) and login with your YRDSB Google Account
2. Select the Google Apps and Services from which you want to export your data and documents, and select the option to receive the file as a download via email (depending on the size of your Google account, this could take several hours). Use the .zip file option.
3. Once the Google Takeout email arrives, use the links to download your archived data and documents to your chosen location (e.g. personal computer, USB/external drive and/or personal Google Drive).
4. You can "unzip" the archives and then upload the data and documents to a personal Google Account.

Locker Clean Out and Lost and Found

All items that are not removed from lockers by June 29th will be donated/disposed.

Free Student Summer Walk In Counselling Supports

One Stop Talk: Provides Free Walk in Virtual Counselling: <https://onestoptalk.ca/>
<https://onestoptalk.ca/how-it-works/>

York Hills – Here to Help: Provides free Walk In Counselling: <https://www.yorkhills.ca/services/here-to-help-single-session/>

School Year 2023-2024 New Bell times

School will start at 8:00am. All periods will be 75 minutes long, each grade will have their own designated 75 minute lunch.

[School Year Calendar and PA days](#)

Homeroom	8:00 AM	8:05 AM
Period 1	8:05 AM	9:20 AM
Period 2	9:25 AM	10:40 AM
Period 3	10:45 AM	12:00 PM
Period 4	12:05 PM	1:20 PM
Period 5	1:25 PM	2:40 PM



What Families Need to Know to Help Protect Children, Teens and Young Adults

- 1 in 5 high school students reported Vaping in the past month

[CLICK HERE](#) for the guide that explains:

- What is vaping?
- What are the health effects of vaping?
- Marijuana and vaping
- What parents should know and do?





ON CULTURE DAYS



2023 FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER 22 – OCTOBER 15

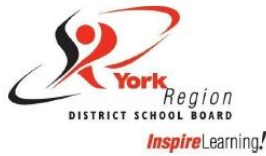
City of Vaughan is inviting artists, creative minds, students, and any community group to submit their expression of interest to facilitate free public arts and culture events and activities in Vaughan between September 22 to October 15.

GET INVOLVED!

Be part of the Vaughan Regional Hub. Expression of Interest Application now open!



Application Deadline: JUNE 23
VAUGHAN.CA/CULTURE



Inclusive School and Community Services, in partnership with the Canadian Centre for Housing Rights, is offering:

Tenants' Housing Rights

Free Virtual Workshops – Summer 2023

Guest Speaker: Margaret Flynn, Program Lawyer, Canadian Centre for Housing Rights

Topics covered during each session:

- Beginning and ending a tenancy
- Maintenance
- Privacy
- Rent control
- Human rights, discrimination and accommodation
- Eviction prevention

Dates / Times: 6:30-8:00 pm on Zoom

- Thursday, July 6
- Thursday, July 18
- Wednesday, July 26
- Thursday, August 3

[REGISTER HERE](#)

All parents, guardians and staff are welcome to attend any of the free virtual workshops about tenant rights and housing resources in York Region.

Once you register we will send you the zoom invitation/link for the date(s) chosen.

For more information, contact:

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With generous support from:





Indigenous Languages and International Languages (ILIL) Program

The York Region District School Board offers language learning to elementary students in grade SK to grade 8 and language credit courses to secondary students in grades 9 to 12.

Elementary Language Program

The elementary courses are extra-curricular language learning opportunities available in-person or remotely. Classes are 2.5 hours and take place once per week between Tuesday to Friday evenings (6:00 PM to 8:30 PM) or Saturday mornings (9:30 AM to 12:00 PM).

Register by **Monday, September 11, 2023** to attend the full language program in its entirety.

For more information about the elementary program, visit the ILIL



[Elementary Registration](#)

Secondary Credit Program

Credit courses for secondary students take place once per week for 3.7 hours.

Courses begin in September, and take place Wednesday evening (5:45 to 9:25 PM) or Saturday mornings (8:45 AM to 12:25 PM).

For more updates and information about the secondary credit program,



[Secondary Registration](#)

Please Note:

- Courses offered are subject to enrolment and teacher availability.
- Stacked classes may be created based on registration numbers.
- Not all languages are offered at the elementary and secondary levels.
- Additional fees are required for international fee-paying visa students.

Languages Offered:

- Arabic
- Cantonese
- Dari
- Farsi
- Filipino
- German
- Greek
- Gujarati
- Hebrew
- Hindi
- Italian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Macedonian
- Mandarin (Simplified)
- Mandarin (Traditional)
- Punjabi
- Ojibwe
- Russian
- Sinhala
- Spanish
- Tamil
- Turkish
- Ukrainian
- Urdu
- Vietnamese
- Yoruba



CONNEX NEWCOMER YOUTH PROGRAM

Program activities may consist of English learning, navigating your school and community, building friendships, leadership activities, job skills, life skills, recreational activities, field trips and more!



CONNEX NEWCOMER YOUTH PROGRAM SUMMER 2023

Dates:

- Tuesdays: July 11, 18, 25 and August 1
- Wednesdays: July 12, 19, 26 and August 2
- Thursdays: July 13, 20, 27 and August 3

Time: 10:30am – 12:30pm

Locations:

- Tuesdays at Dr. JM Denison S.S
- Wednesdays at Bayview S.S
- Thursdays at Tommy Douglas S.S

Eligibility:

- Refugee Status/ Permanent Resident Status
- Current student of YRDSB
- Newcomer to Canada within the last 5 years
- Must be 14 years of age as of March 1, 2023
- Enrolled or enrolling in grades 9-12



[Register Here](#) / Scan QR



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