

# Tommy Times - Parent Edition

Week of Nov. 20 - Nov. 24, 2023



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## This week:

Nov. 20	
Nov. 21	Swim Meet SHSH SPE/ICE Event Grade 12 Law Trip
Nov. 22	Therapy Dogs School Council Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm
Nov. 23	OUAC/OCAS Submission
Nov. 24	

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## Administrative Team

John Glezakos, Principal (Interim)  
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Elizabeth Sloan, Vice Principal (H - O)  
Milton Hart, Vice Principal (P - Z)

## UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES:

**Nov. 28, 29** - OSSLT

**Nov. 29** - Full Disclosure Date

**Nov. 29** - Grade 8 Open House

To support your family planning, the 2023-2024 YRDSB School Year Calendar is available on the [YRDSB website](#).

## **Semester 1 EXAM SCHEDULE - January 25th - 31st**

On Examination & Culminating Activity Days, students will be informed by their teachers which days they need to attend. Students are only to be at the school for their exams or if they have an appointment to meet with a teacher, for extra help, or are returning school materials. Once students have met with the teacher, they are expected to leave the building.

**Vacation time, employment and appointments must not be planned during the scheduled exam period.**

### **SCHOOL NOTICES:**

#### ***A Night in Hollywood - Semi Formal***

Last Thursday Tommy Douglas held its annual semi formal. The evening was well attended and everyone enjoyed good food, great music and even better company! Our students represented Tommy Douglas with pride, they were respectful and responsible citizens, thank you Titans!!

A huge thank you to the staff who organized and guided the organizing committee, and the organizing committee, your hours of work and creativity made it a very special evening. Thank you to the staff who chaperoned the evening and to Mr. Sacchetti for getting the dance floor going!

#### ***Grade 8 Open House***

Tommy Douglas' Grade 8 Open House is going to be held on Wednesday, November 29th from 6:30 - 8:00pm. More information is being shared with our Elementary Community of Schools.

#### ***Guidance***

In light of the recent system outage throughout the YRDSB, the new transmission date to OUAC/OCAS will be Thursday, November 23rd. This date falls within the timelines set out by OUAC/OCAS, Grade 12 marks will be received before the deadline and there will not be any impact on student applications to colleges/universities.

#### ***Literacy Loop OSSLT***

As we prepare for the Fall OSSLT, students who are scheduled to write completed a series of five lessons to sharpen their; reading comprehension, short response writing and essay writing skills. Grade 10, 11 and 12 students will receive a letter by the end of the week to formally let them know of their test dates.

All resources from the prep sessions will be available on the OSSLT Prep Google Classrooms - class code - **wr5gzbq**. Students and parents are encouraged to review the resources.

The OSSLT will be written during period 1. Part A will be completed on Tuesday, November 28th, Part B will be completed on Wednesday, November 29th.

#### ***Clubs @ Tommy Douglas***

Tommy Douglas is the place to grow and learn, not only during the school day but also through the many extracurriculars that are offered. Here is a [list of the clubs](#) currently being offered at TDSS. Clubs run after school, many are student lead and all have a staff advisor. Your student can access the google classroom through the class codes found in the link. Find your passion Titans!

### TDSS Educational Supports

The following supports are available to all students throughout the semester. Please encourage your student(s) to access these resources to help support their learning.



## TDSS STUDENT SUPPORTS

### PEER TUTORING

TUESDAY AND THURSDAYS PERIODS 2,3,4- TUTEES REGISTER EVERY MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY BY FOLLOWING THE LINK IN THE CLASSROOM. CODE- [so62fle](#)

### MATH SUPPORT

MONDAY - FRIDAY DURING PERIOD 4 IN ROOM 109/239  
WEDNESDAY :PERIOD 3, 2ND HALF IN ROOM 229 EXTRA HELP FOR ALL GRADES & PERIOD 4, 1ST HALF IN ROOM 232

### MULTI- LANGUAGE LEARNERS

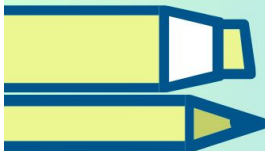
MON, WED, FRI:  
ROOM 229 - P3  
ROOM 232 - P4  
FOR EXTRA-HELP OR A QUIET SPACE TO WORK.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION

P1,2,3,4,5  
RESOURCE ROOM  
REGULAR IN-CLASS SUPPORT ALSO OFFERED.

## SCIENCE

FOR ALL OTHER SUBJECTS PLEASE CONNECT WITH THE CLASSROOM TEACHER.



Period	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
2	Phys 11/12. Room 246	Chem 11/12. Room 246		Bio 11/12. Room 246
3	Grade 9. Room 258	Bio 11/12. Room 258	Grade 9. Room 253	Chem 11/12. Room 253
4	Chem 11/12. Room 257	Grade 10. Room 257	Phys 11/12. Room 268	Grade 10. Room 268 Bio 11/12. Room 257

### YOUTH GAMBLING AWARENESS SERIES

This workshop series is designed to offer educational prevention sessions to adults involved in young people's lives on gambling awareness including potential risks, making informed decisions and healthy and active living.

We welcome all parents, guardians, caregivers and community members to attend these free virtual sessions!

**November 21, 2023: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

#### Media Impact

This session will explore the increased youth exposure to gambling-related content on social media platforms while providing media safety tips for parents and information on community support services.

**November 28, 2023: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

#### Stigma and Gambling

This session will define stigma associated with gambling while providing factual knowledge and awareness to support a compassionate approach to reducing stigma and facilitating an open dialogue. Information on community support services will also be shared.



**[REGISTER](#) Now For These Free Sessions Today!**

These free information sessions are organized by York Region District School Board in collaboration with YMCA of Greater Toronto Youth Gambling Awareness Program (YGAP).

For more information please feel free to contact: Oksana Majaski, Community & Partnership Developer at [oksana.majaski@yrdsb.ca](mailto:oksana.majaski@yrdsb.ca) or 416-568-2252.

### SCHOOL SAFETY - Student Drop Off and Pick Up



As the winter weather is near, we are reminding parents/guardians of the need to help keep our students safe.

Students who are driven to school **must be dropped off and picked up** in the **North parking lot only.**

**The South lot is for buses and Staff use only.** Please help us ensure the safety of our school community. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

