

Tommy Times - Parent Edition

Week of Nov. 27 - Dec. 1, 2023



School Website: <http://tommydouglas.ss.yrdsb.ca>

General Email/Attendance: tommy.douglas.ss@yrdsb.ca

This week:

Nov. 27	Jr. & Sr. Boys Basketball @ Maple Curling Team @ York Curling Club
Nov. 28	OSSLT - 8:00 am start
Nov. 29	OSSLT - 8:00 am start Full Disclosure Grade 8 Open House 6:30 pm Sr. Boys Basketball @ Hodan
Nov. 30	
Dec. 1	Coop Career Fair - Library during lunches

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Extensions

Reception 0

Attendance 1

Guidance 3

Administrative Team

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

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES:

Dec. 5 - History Field Trip - ROM

Dec. 8 - TPJ Blood Clinic

Dec. 8 - Sr. Girls Volleyball Tournament

Dec. 13 - York Region Swim Finals

Dec. 13 - Winterlicious 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Dec. 14 - SNAP Community Class Basketball 8:45 am

Dec. 15 - Athletic Council Holiday Fair

Dec. 22 - Holiday Assembly

Dec. 25 - Jan. 7 - Winter Holiday

Dec. 25 - Christmas

Jan. 8 - return to school

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

SCHOOL NOTICES:

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.

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. Tommy Douglas is CLOSED TO TRANSFERS.

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 who are writing have received a letter 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. - **start time 8:00 am sharp**. 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. In future bulletins, there will be an icon in the opening banner for you to click on to access *Clubs @ Tommy*. **Find your passion Titans!**

A Night in Hollywood - Semi Formal

Tommy Douglas held its annual semi formal at the end of November. 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!

Grad Photos


Your turn is coming soon Grads! Grad photos will be taking place at Tommy Douglas from **February 20th 2024, to February 29th 2024 ONLY**. You will sign up online. Stay tuned for more information and don't miss out on this opportunity to celebrate your successes!

Guidance

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

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 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 or 416-568-2252.

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YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS

The following resources are available to teens in need of mental health supports.



Kids Help Phone

Text 686868

KidsHelpPhone.ca

Call 1-800-668-6868



360° kids

Surrounding kids in crisis with care

905-475-6694

www.360kids.ca

york hills
Centre for Children, Youth and Families

905-503-9560

yorkhills@yorkhills.ca

www.yorkhills.ca



MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS?

1.855.310.COPE (2673)



Suicide Prevention Canada

Call 1.833.456.4566

Text 45645

Mental Health Matters

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.

