

# Tommy Douglas SS e-Newsletter



4020 Major Mackenzie Drive West, Woodbridge, ON L4H 4E9

October 7, 2022

## In this Issue:

- Grade 9 Take Our Kids to Work Day
- College Fair
- Applying to Post Secondary
- Mini Post-Secondary Fair
- Student Drop Off and Safety
- School Council
- School Fees Reminder
- Cafeteria Update
- Renewed Computer Technology Application
- Pathways Night
- School Council Nomination form

**Grade 9 Take Your Kids to Work Day** - On November 2<sup>nd</sup> all grade 9 students are expected to participate in the national Take Your Kids to Work event. Participation in this event is mandatory. All students are expected to be visiting a workplace, whether it is with a parent, an aunt or uncle, family friend, neighbor or the parent of a friend. Permission forms will be shared with students closer to the time. Please begin to think about what workplace your child will be visiting on November 2nd.

**College Fair** - All grade 12 students are invited to participate in a field trip on Thursday, October 20th to the Ontario College Fair at the Enercare Center in Toronto. Students will leave TDSS at 8:30 AM and are expected to return to the school at 2:25 PM.

Students will have an opportunity to learn about careers, college programs and occupations. Students will learn more about campus life, housing, and student services and out how to pay for college

Cash online is now open. The cost is \$8.00. Space is limited - so sign up TODAY.

**Applying to Post-Secondary** - TDSS' Guidance department will be hosting a parent information session on applying to post-secondary. The presentation will take place on October 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:30 and is intended for the parents of graduating students. Hope to see you there!

## Contact Us

Phone 289.342.0001

Extensions

Reception 0

Attendance 1

Guidance 3

[tommy.douglas.ss@yrdsb.ca](mailto:tommy.douglas.ss@yrdsb.ca)

## Online

[School website](#)

 TDSS\_YRDSB

 @tommydouglassmainoffice

## Administration

Principal

[Sandra Sardone](#)

Vice Principals

Antonietta Grieco (A--G)

Elizabeth Sloan (H--PAS)

Paul Simmonds (Pat--Z)

School Council

[Joe Giusto](#)

[Amir Bigloo](#)

Superintendent

[Otilia Olteanu](#)

Trustee

[Dr. Elizabeth Sinclair](#)



## School News and Information

**Save the Date: Mini Post-Secondary Fair Hosted by Emily Carr Secondary School** -- Emily Carr Secondary School will be hosting a mini post-secondary fair from 6-8 p.m. at Emily Carr S.S. All are welcome to attend. Please see attached flyer for additional details.

**School Drop Off and Safety** - In an effort to promote school zone safety and student health and well-being, students are strongly encouraged to consider walking, cycling or taking public transit. There are many benefits to using sustainable modes of travel including:

- Improves student academic performance by making students more alert and better prepared to learn
- Improves both physical and mental health
- Reduces traffic congestion and improves safety for everyone on school property and around the school community
- Improves air quality
- Promotes lifelong habits that foster independence and active lifestyles

We understand that walking, cycling or taking public transit is not always a viable option. If you need to drive your student, please consider using the schools designated pick-up and drop-off area, or park a few blocks away and have your student walk to school. Be sure to obey all posted signage and pavement markings.

Please **do not** drop off your student on Major Mackenzie Drive West in front of Tommy Douglas SS. Stopping is strictly prohibited and may result in heavy fines. The real penalty for not obeying traffic regulations is that you may jeopardize the safety of pedestrians and other road users.

**School Zone Safety is a shared responsibility. If we all work together we can create an environment that is pedestrian friendly for all. We all have a part to play!**

Thank you for working with us to help protect the safety of our students and school zone.

## Important Dates

### October 17

- Photo Retake Day

### October 19 - 20

- E-distribution of Interim Reports

### October 21

- P.A.Day

### October 26

- Parent/Guardian Evening

## Helpful Links

### **PUBLIC HEALTH LINKS:**

[york.ca/safeatschool](http://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

# Do you need a computer?

Renewed Computer Technology (RCT) is a not-for-profit, charitable organization that empowers learners, educators and not-for-profit organizations with increased access to information and communications technology (ICT), skill development and learning opportunities, in a socially and environmentally responsible manner.

Working with **York Region District School Board** we are offering affordable, renewed computer packages.



1. Open camera on phone
2. Hold camera up to QR code above
3. Click link that appears on your screen

## You can apply for this program if you are:

A resident of Ontario and you are an individual with limited income.

Parents or legal guardians may apply on behalf of a child or youth under the age of 18.

We offer 1 computer, per family, with a limit of 2 per household per year.

## For more information, please contact:

Alexander Oliver  
RCT Community Engagement Lead  
AOliver@rcto.ca

All systems include our  
**STANDARD 1 YEAR DEPOT WARRANTY**

\*batteries not covered by warranty

We have Desktop Packages from \$60.00 to \$250.00.  
Plus \$50.00 to ship the computer to your home.



**You get** - a desktop complete with Windows 10 and MS Office 2019 - Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and OneNote plus learning software, monitor, keyboard and mouse

We have Laptop Packages from \$200.00 to \$350.00.  
Plus \$40.00 to ship the computer to your home.



**You get** - a laptop complete with Windows 10 and MS Office 2019 - Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and OneNote plus learning software

\*Computers may not appear exactly as shown

With funding from

**Canada**

Visit Us Online @ [www.RCTO.ca](http://www.RCTO.ca)

**RCT**   
Renewed Computer Technology

# Application Check-List



You can begin to apply for a computer on: September 30th, 2022

Application deadline: November 18th, 2022

**Group Name:** YRDSB | **Group Code:** G-YRDSB22

1. Open camera on phone
2. Hold camera up to QR code above
3. Click link that appears on your screen

## How to fill out your application

Scan QR code OR access application using the link your organization provided

### Section A

Group Name: YRDSB

Group Code: G-YRDSB22

Name of School: *Please enter the name of the student's school*

### Section B

This section does not apply to you.

### Section C

I would like to pick up my computer in Mississauga RCT Warehouse (\$0.00 Shipping fee)

OR

I would like to order a laptop, please ship my computer to my home (\$40.00 shipping fee)

OR

I would like to order a desktop, please ship my computer to my home (\$50.00 shipping fee)

OR

I am part of the York Region District School Board Group order (\$20.00)

### Section D

Pick your computer package and method of payment.

Our partner organization will need proof of eligibility (one of the following) before you can apply for a computer.

### Proof of Financial Status (one of the following)

- Canada Revenue Agency Notice of Assessment (most recent)
- Ontario Works Statement (Social Assistance)
- OSAP Statement of Funding
- Refugee Payment Received from government
- Letter from school supporting the application
- EI Benefit Statement
- ODSP (Disability Benefits)
- Second Career

### Payment

You will have the following online payment options when completing your order:

- Credit/Debit Card
- Money Order or Certified Cheque
- A Third Party will be Paying (Ex. Ontario Works)

**Certified Cheques should be made to:** Renewed Computer Technology

The applicant's name must be added in the memo field. When you come to pick up your computer, please bring a government photo ID.

# PATHWAYS TO OPPORTUNITY

## POST-SECONDARY FAIR



Thursday, November 17, 2022 from 6:00-8:00pm  
HOSTED AT EMILY CARR SECONDARY SCHOOL  
4901 Rutherford Rd. Woodbridge  
ALL STUDENTS AND FAMILIES WELCOME



\*ABOVE ARE SOME OF OUR CONFIRMED REPRESENTATIVES\*

### JUMP START YOUR POST-SECONDARY PLANNING



Student (PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher (PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_  
Grade \_\_\_\_\_

## SCHOOL COUNCIL CANDIDATE NOMINATION FORM

*Please complete Part A or Part B*

### Part A: I am declaring my candidacy:

- I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent/guardian representative on the school council:

I am the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ who is currently  
(*print name of student*)  
registered in Grade \_\_\_\_\_.

I am an employee of York Region District School Board. Yes No

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Part B: I am nominating a candidate

- I wish to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for an elected position as a parent/guardian representative on the school council.

\_\_\_\_\_ is the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_  
(*print name of nominee*) (*print name of student*)

who is currently registered in Grade \_\_\_\_\_.

The person I have nominated is an employee of York Region District School Board. Yes No

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***Please include a brief (4-5 sentences) biography of the candidate on the back of this form.***

*Personal information is collected under the authority of the Education Act as amended, and will be used to manage the disclosure of individual personal information. Contact the school principal for more information.*