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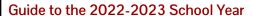


## PETHS Weekly Newsletter

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Click on the link to read the Guide to the 2022-2023 School Year

#### PETHS 2022-2023 Student Handbook

Click on the link to read the Student Handbook and Startup Package



#### **School Cash Online** (SCO)







## **School Information**

## THIS WEEK @ TRUDEAU

Monday, May 29

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Tuesday, May 30

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Wednesday, May 31

→ Student Exam Prep Webinar - from 6-7:30 PM students can learn from YRDSB Alumni, YRDSB Mental Health Professionals, and Educators about the suggested preparation strategies to complete exams, and culminating projects, and helpful wellness strategies. If interested please register at this link - Deadline to register is May 30 at noon.

Thursday, June 1

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Friday, June 2

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## Coming Up...

June 5 - Co-Op Career Fair

June 7 - Mobyss Bus @ Trudeau

June 8 - Athletic Banquet

June 9 - Blazer's Bash - modified school day

June 9 - Grad Tea

June 12 - Music Banquet

June 12 - Grade 12 Assessment Moratorium

June 13 - 14 - Grade 9 Math EQAO

June 14 - Grades 9-11 Assessment Moratorium

June 15 - Locker clean out

June 16 - June 22 - Grade 12 Exams

June 21 - June 27 - Grade 9 - 11 Exams

June 26 - Graduation

June 29 - Eid al-Adha (SFD)

June 30 - PA Day (No School)

### Important School Information links

☐ Staff Directory

☐ Guidance

## Daily Schedule 2022-23

Period	Time		
1 HOMEROOM	8:10 AM - 9:25 AM 9:25 AM - 9:30 AM		
2	9:35 AM – 10:50 AM		
3 LUNCH ( grade 9 + 11)	10:55 AM – 12:10 PM		
4 LUNCH (grade 10 + 12)	12:15 PM – 1:30 PM		
5	1:35 PM – 2:50 PM		

#### **Attendance**

To report an absence or for questions about your child's attendance, please call 905-887-2216 ext. 190 or send an email to pierre.elliott.trudeau.hs.attendance@yrdsb.ca

If you receive notification that your child has been marked absent and you believe this to be incorrect, please have your child ask the teacher to notify the office to make the correction. All attendance corrections must be verified by the classroom teacher.



## School Updates/News

#### **Exams**

The Semester 2 exam schedule has been posted on our website. Students will write one exam per day corresponding to the subject in that specific period. All exams will begin at 8:30 a.m. The exam schedule is as follows:

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Day	Grade 12	Grade 9-11	
June 16	Period 1 Exams	Regular classes	
June 19	Period 2 Exams	Regular classes	
June 20	Period 3 Exams	Regular classes	
June 21	Period 5 Exams - all grades		
June 22	Period 4 Exams - all grades		
June 23		Period 1 Exams	
June 26		Period 2 Exams	
June 27		Period 3 Exams	
June 28	Exam Review Day		
June 29	Regular School Day		
June 30	PA Day - No School		

Once a student's exam is completed, students have the remainder of each day to study at home for upcoming exams. View Exam Guidelines: Exam Guideline - June 2023 these links for: Exam Schedule: Exam Schedule - June 2023





## **Graduation Updates**

#### **Graduation Information**

As we approach spring, we want to update you on our planning for the year-end celebration of the graduating class of 2023. This is an important milestone, and we look forward to recognizing the achievements of our students.



#### Scheduling and Format:

Our graduation ceremony will still take place on Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at Pierre Elliott Trudeau High School, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

Each graduate will be allotted 2 guest tickets (Grads do not need a ticket). Tickets will be distributed in early June.

## **Resources for Families**

## The Here 2 Help Walk In Clinic

York Hills offers free immediate access to single session

counselling from a mental health professional. Click the link below for more information. Here 2 Help Walk In Clinic



## **Promoting Racial Literacy in Schools**

Monday June 19, 2023-7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Virtual Event

Parents/guardians and students are invited to attend a virtual workshop with Dr. Howard C. Stevenson, author of *Promoting Racial Literacy in Schools: Differences That Make a Difference.* Click the <u>link</u> for more info and to register

#### **Poetry Slam Finals**

Monday, June 5 at Glen Shields PS. Click the <u>link</u> to RSVP



## Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter

Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter - June





## BFCN Scholarship Application Workshop for Black Students - June 2 - virtual

An interactive workshop to show Black students and their families how to search, prepare, and apply for scholarships & bursaries. Click on the link below for more information and to register <a href="BFCN Scholarship Application Workshop">BFCN Scholarship Application Workshop</a>

Learn more about

# **One Stop Talk**

### One Stop Health

One Stop Talk offers children, youth (within 18 years of age) and their families immediate access to free mental health support. One Stop Talk

## YRDSB Information

## **Indigenous Trustee Greeting**

Aaniin (Hello), I am Indigenous Trustee for the York Region District School Board and a member of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, the only First Nation in York Region and one you may recognize YRDSB acknowledging as their "partner in education" when providing land acknowledgements.



I would like to offer greetings for the month of June, the month when we recognize and celebrate the Indigenous People of Canada, our unique status as Canadians, our history on this land and our many significant contributions. In 1996, Governor General Romeo LeBlanc declared June 21 as National Aboriginal Peoples Day. He said, "On June 21<sup>st</sup>, this year and every year, Canada will honour the native peoples who first brought humanity to this great land." In 2017, the name was formally changed, and we now recognize this day as National Indigenous Peoples Day.

June 21 was chosen because it is summer solstice, a time of spiritual significance for Indigenous people. It is a time when the sun is at the highest point in the sky and we experience the longest day of the year, and the most amount of daylight. This is considered powerful medicine and is a time for practicing ceremonies that honour our interconnection with the land and the cosmos.

The Anishinaabe also recognize June as the month of the Strawberry moon, Ode'min Giizis. The beautiful red heart shaped strawberry offers us the teaching of reconciliation and forgiveness. It is the first berry of the season that brings us that sweetness for life. June offers us many special gifts and much to be grateful for.

People ask what they can do to celebrate Indigenous People Day and as Canadians support Indigenous people in Canada?

We can build our awareness by reading Indigenous books, listening to Indigenous podcasts, and attending Indigenous events. We can create positive change and promote public awareness by lending our support to Indigenous issues. We can also offer land acknowledgements as we do at the beginning of meetings and events in the YRDSB.

However, I believe most importantly to Indigenous people across this planet is to recognize our right to reclaim and practice our Indigenous languages and the important significance of the earth under our feet. Our traditional knowledge and our cultures exist in our languages and without the opportunity to learn them in our schools and speak them in our communities much of our ancestral knowledge will be lost forever.

Further, recognizing Indigenous relationship with the land and taking the time to build land awareness and connection is imperative. We must practice environmental stewardship and protect our greenspaces. Walk in nature, plant, or hug a tree, help a turtle across the road, sing to the water, just be with the land. It does little to offer a land acknowledgement if we do not acknowledge the earth on which we live. The earth is our mother, this is why we call her "Mother Earth" in our Anishinaabe creation stories. We are extrinsically interconnected; without her we would not exist. As her children we must care for her and protect her. Stand with Indigenous people by honouring her, this is the most important land acknowledgement you can give.

Chi-Miigwech and Happy Indigenous People's Day!, Your Indigenous Trustee, Lauri Hoeg

This is a good resource and activity guide for students: resource guide

#### Message from Our Trustee

Dear families,

As we approach the end of the school year and the start of the summer break, I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for helping to make this school year a positive one. This is



our first school year since 2018-2019 that has not been interrupted by closures as a result of COVID-19, and it has been such a pleasure to visit schools and school events over the past few months and see students, staff and families connecting and learning together.

I think it's important to acknowledge the effect the pandemic has had on students; and we have made it a priority to put supports in place for student learning, achievement, mental health and well-being. We also continue to work hard to create safe, inclusive and caring learning environments where our students know and feel that they matter and belong.

June is also a time when we look ahead to transitions - students moving ahead to new grades, new schools and new adventures. Thank you to the school staff who support students through these transitions. Congratulations to all of our graduating students moving on to secondary school or post-secondary pathways. We are so proud of all that you have achieved, class of 2023, and wish you all the very best in what comes next.

I also want to acknowledge all that you have done, as family members, to support your child and our schools - whether that's asking your child about their learning, communicating with their educators, attending school events, reading the information that comes home from the school, sharing feedback, completing surveys, tracking down library books, volunteering on field trips and in the classroom, participating in school councils, and so much more. We are grateful for all of the ways you support your child's learning and our public education system.

Communicating with families remains an important priority for us. I have had the pleasure of meeting and connecting with many families throughout the school year and appreciate how important it is that we remain connected to you. In addition to communication from your child's school, there are also many ways you can stay connected with what is happening in the Board, including our <a href="meest-newsroom">newsroom</a>, <a href="meest-newsroom">Twitter</a>, <a href="meest-newsroom">Instagram</a> and <a href="meest-newsroom">award-winning</a> podcast. We were also very pleased to launch this year the <a href="meest-newsroom">Centre for Black Student Excellence Mailing List</a> for families looking to receive information directly related to supporting Black students, celebrating Black excellence and dismantling anti-Black racism.

As we approach the summer, we look forward to welcoming students who will be participating in our variety of <u>elementary</u> and <u>secondary</u> summer learning programs. I wish everyone a happy, safe and restful summer break.

Ron Lynn

Trustee, Markham Wards 2 and 6