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# **PETHS Weekly Parent Bulletin**

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#### Guide to the 2023-2024 School Year

Click on the link to read the **Guide to the 2023-2024 School Year** 

#### PETHS 2023-2024 Student Handbook

Click on the link to read the Student Handbook 2023-24

# **School Cash Online** (SCO)

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# **School Information**

# THIS WEEK @ TRUDEAU

### Monday, October 2

- → School Council Voting Closes at 4:00 pm
- → TSAC Breakfast in the Cafeteria for students 7:45 am - 8:05 am

### Tuesday, October 3

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### Wednesday October 4

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#### Thursday, October 5

- → Lockdown/Hold and Secure Drills
- → World Teachers' Day

### Friday, October 6

→School Council Executive Announced in weekly bulletin

# Coming Up...

October 9 - Thanksgiving Day - No School

October 10 - Photo retake day

October 12 - Fall Market (Club food and gift sales)

October 17 - Fall Celebration Concert

October 17-18 - Interim Reports distributed electronically

October 19 - Fire Drill

October 19 - School Council Meeting 7pm

October 20 - PA Day

# 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	10:55 AM – 12:10 PM
4	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

### Health & Safety

The York Region School Board is committed to ensuring the safety of students, staff, building occupants and visitors

in the event of an emergency situation. As such, during Safety Week (September 25 to 29, 2023) and throughout the school year, schools in our Board practise various safety drills including Fire Drills, Lockdown Drills, Hold Secure Drills and the newly established Bomb Threat Drill. It is critical that all



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members of our school community become familiar with emergency protocols as they are designed to keep all of us safe at school. Please refer to

Board Policy #669.0 for more information about Emergency Preparedness and Crisis Management.

Practicing drills may create some anxiety for some students. If you are concerned about how these situations might impact the mental health and well-being of your child, please contact school administrators, as we have school mental health professionals available to support your child.

# General Supports for Emotional Well-Being:

- 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, <a href="https://kidshelpphone.ca/">https://kidshelpphone.ca/</a>
- Mental Health Helpline: 1-866-531-2600 available 24/7
- York Hills Help Phone Line: 905-503-9561 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. for children and

youth (0-18 years) and their parents, caregivers or adult supporters. Visit <u>www.yorkhills.ca</u> for more information.

- Trans Lifeline: <a href="https://translifeline.org/">https://translifeline.org/</a>
- Black Youth Helpline: <a href="https://blackyouth.ca/">https://blackyouth.ca/</a>
- Naseeha Helpline: <a href="https://naseeha.org/">https://naseeha.org/</a>
- 2SLGBTQ+ Youthline: <a href="https://www.youthline.ca/">https://www.youthline.ca/</a>

#### SMOKE-FREE ACT of ONTARIO

According to the Smoke-Free Act of Ontario (2017), any individual, including students, caught vaping on school property can be subject to a fine imposed by a Tobacco Enforcement Officer. This fine amounts to \$305. We believe it is crucial to make you aware of this regulation, as it serves as a reminder of the legal consequences associated with vaping on school grounds.

We kindly request your support in educating your child about the risks and legal consequences of vaping. It is important that they understand the rules and regulations in place to ensure their safety and the safety of their peers. Unfortunately, we had a fire alarm go off at Pierre Elliott Trudeau on Wednesday September 27th which we suspect was due to vaping in a washroom. Vaping not only poses health risks but also disrupts the learning environment and sets a negative example for others.

Your assistance in talking with your child about the health risks of vaping is important. If you require support in this area, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to support you in any way we can.

Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to maintaining a safe and healthy school environment.



### to pay your \$30.00 Student Activity Fee

The Student Activty Fee will fund or subsidize activities such as:

- Student Council Events and school clubs
- Music, Theatre Arts and Visual Arts events
- Athletics
- Guest speakers for Heritage Months and Spirit days

### From our Guidance Department

Wednesday October 4th, Period One, Graduation Counselling for all grade 12 students. Presentation link will be sent to all teachers and will be shared with the parent community and posted on our website for future review. Further details to follow, please post as a 'save the date'.

# Ignite Technology Grant (for students with SEA Technology)

The Ignite Technology Grant is designed to create leadership opportunities, hone communication skills, and increase self-esteem for students with SEA equipment within their school community. The goal is to bring awareness to the effective and successful use of technology for modern learning. Please visit <a href="https://www.yrdsb.ca/ignite">www.yrdsb.ca/ignite</a> for more information.



Renewed Computer Technology Applications Now Open

YRDSB will once again be working with Renewed Computer Technology to support limited income families with gaining access to technology. The fall application period will take place from September 21, 2023 - November 23, 2023. Please refer to the letter to families and the RCT flyer.

Link for flyer: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jd0GgS9LAdTvdgRH5wEewuhnWWFI-7HU/view?usp=drivesdk

Please download and create PETHS drive links for both of those.

### **Prayer Room**

The York Region District School Board promotes respectful and inclusive working and learning environments. In recognition that there are staff and students who would like a quiet place for prayer, reflection or meditation, Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS is pleased to announce the availability of a Multi-Faith prayer Room/quiet space in the Guidance Office Reception Area.



# Trudeau Dragon Boat Team included in Exhibit

The Markham Museum, York Region School Board's Museum and Archives and along with various community partners are celebrating an upcoming exhibit, titled, "<u>Standing the Doorway: Lived Histories & Experiences of the Chinese Community</u> (縈繞中華文化:



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人社區**歷史和生活展覽**)". The exhibit will be opening at the <u>Markham Museum</u> the weekend of September 30, 2023 in commemoration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Chinese Exclusion Act (1923).

"While acknowledging the important milestone of 100 years since the passage of the Chinese Immigration Act, the exhibition will be an educational piece of the long history of the Chinese community in York Region and Markham along with the opportunity to highlight aspects of Chinese culture that are celebrated here in Canada." – Rebekah Mitchell, Curator of YRDSB Museum & Archives.

Pierre Elliott Trudeau High School's Dragon Boat Team, TruDragons will be part of this exhibit, as we continue to celebrate the culture and history of dragon boat and what this means to our diverse community in Markham. We look forward to your visit at the Markham Museum, or by visiting the virtual exhibit. Thank you.

### AFTER SCHOOL BUILDING HOURS

PETHS Library is open after school until 3:30 pm for students to utilize its resources and study.

All students are encouraged to exit the building by 4:30 PM unless they are engaged in one of the following activities:

Attending a club meeting.



- · Receiving extra academic help.
- · Participating in a special school event.
- · Participating in a sports practice.
- · Attending a sports game or event.

For the safety and security of our students, we kindly request your cooperation in ensuring that your child adheres to this policy. If your child is not involved in any of the above activities, please make arrangements for them to leave no later than 4:30 pm.

We understand that there may be exceptions due to unforeseen circumstances or specific arrangements, but we encourage you to communicate with us in advance if your child needs to stay at school beyond this time.

### Student Health Plans

Be sure to return any student health forms to the main office asap. If your child has a medical condition and does not bring home a form, please use the links below to access the appropriate form.. Return completed forms, Ms. Tseng in the main office

Anaphylaxis Health Care Plan Epilepsy Health Care Plan

Asthma Health Care Plan Type 1 Diabetes Health Care Plan

### WORLD TEACHERS' DAY - OCTOBER 5th

World Teachers' Day celebrates teachers around the globe: World Teachers' Day is an international day held annually on October 5th to celebrate the work of teachers. Established in 1994, it commemorates the signing of recommendations by the International Labour Organization and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

**UNESCO THEME FOR 2023**:" Teachers we need for the education we want: The global imperative to reverse the teacher shortage."

We encourage all students to take a moment to express their gratitude on October 5th by saying thank you to the incredible educators at Pierre Elliott Trudeau High School. We thank teachers for shaping the minds of the future and making a difference every day.

# Black at Mac Eng Toronto

On October 14th, 2023, the McMaster Engineering Recruitment and Outreach team will host the Black at MacEng: Toronto Community Event at 180 Bloor St W, Toronto, ON M5S 1T6.

The event will be open to Black students in grades 1 through 12. In addition, we welcome parents and other community members interested in learning more about our graduate programs.

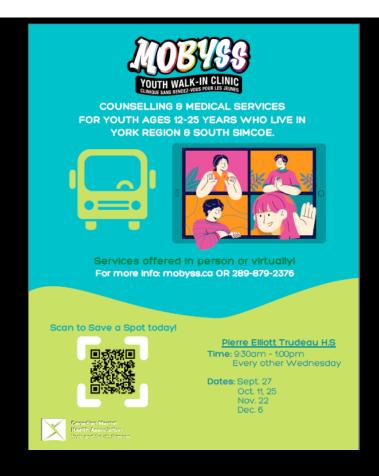
During the day guests will learn more about all McMaster Engineering has to offer Black students (programming, application support, Black student support, co-op, scholarships and funding, etc.). Families will also be able to participate in STEM

workshops, such as our "Create Your Own Hair Oil" workshop.

This event is free and a great opportunity for students to explore postsecondary options. Additionally, younger students should have the opportunity to interact with STEM education early on.

Please note the tickets are complimentary and limited, so register soon! Light breakfast and lunch will be provided.

#### **RSVP TODAY**







# **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. <u>Here 2 Help Walk In Clinic</u>



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

