



Unionville High School Weekly Parent Bulletin

Friday, April 14, 2023

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TECH REQUEST FORM – 2022-2023

CLUBS LIST 22 - 23

GUIDANCE UPDATES

Character Matters Trait of the Month: Honesty

"No legacy is so rich as honesty" - William Shakespeare

DATE	EVENT
APRIL 17 - 20	OSSLT
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19	Immunization Clinic
THURSDAY, APRIL 20	Semester 2 Term 2 Begins
FRIDAY, APRIL 21	End of Ramadan

Best Wishes

Best wishes to those of the Eastern Orthodox Christian Faith observing Good Friday as well as our students and families who are celebrating Vaisakhi, the Sikh New Year.



Prom 2023

Our Unionville High School prom will be taking place on **Thursday, June 1, 2023** from 5:30pm-10:30pm.. Ticket sales will begin on **Monday, April 24** on [s School Cash Online](#) and will run until **Thursday, May 4**. Ticket prices will be: \$90 (for those who have purchased the SAC fee), \$100 (for those who have not purchased the SAC fee) and \$110 for guests outside of UHS. If you have any questions, please contact Ms Damji at zafirah.damji@yrdsb.ca.



Hong Fook Youth and Family Services

Programs and services offered
April to June 2023

[Click here](#)



青少年及家庭服务

活动与服务将于
2023年4月至6月之间提供

[请点击这里](#)

From This Week's Communication

[Moose Hide Campaign](#)

[Racial Literacy Workshop A Master Class for Black Families & Youth](#)

[Special Edition Newsletter – March/April 2023](#)

[Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter May 2023](#)

White Ribbon Presentation

Zoey James a representative from our community partner; White Ribbon will share information on an increasingly prominent challenge many of the youth in our community are facing. Zoey will conduct a one hour presentation on the grooming process used by sex traffickers, causes of sex trafficking and what we can do to protect ourselves against this. The presentation will take place on **April 19th from 5:30-6:30pm via this [zoom link](#)** and is the same one our grade 9 classes have received. There will also be an opportunity for Q and A at the end of the presentation.

Student Parking Reminders

Dear Students and Families,

Please keep in mind the following parking procedures:

Students must reapply every semester for a new parking pass. Please note there are limited spots available for student parking. After a student has completed the application process and **upon approval** a \$20.00 deposit is required through School Cash Online. This deposit will be refunded at the end of each semester provided that the parking pass is returned to the main office. Students are only permitted to park along the outside portables. Please refer to this [map](#) for student parking location. Students must display their parking pass clearly on their dashboard. Students are responsible for all City issued parking tickets.

Please note: We have reached our maximum for student parking passes for the 2022-2023 school year.

Summer School:

Summer school registration is now open and will close June 16th. To register, go to My Pathway Planner and click on Continuing Education. Both in-person and online courses are offered but are not guaranteed as they are subject to sufficient enrolment and teacher availability. Please note that some courses may only be offered in one learning platform and not both:

Click [here](#) for Summer School Registration Information

1) Log into [MyBlueprint / MyPathwayPlanner](#) using your student GAPPS login.

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PATHWAY

planner

Grades 7 - 12
Individual Pathways Plan
and Course Selection

Please login below to access MyPathwayPlanner

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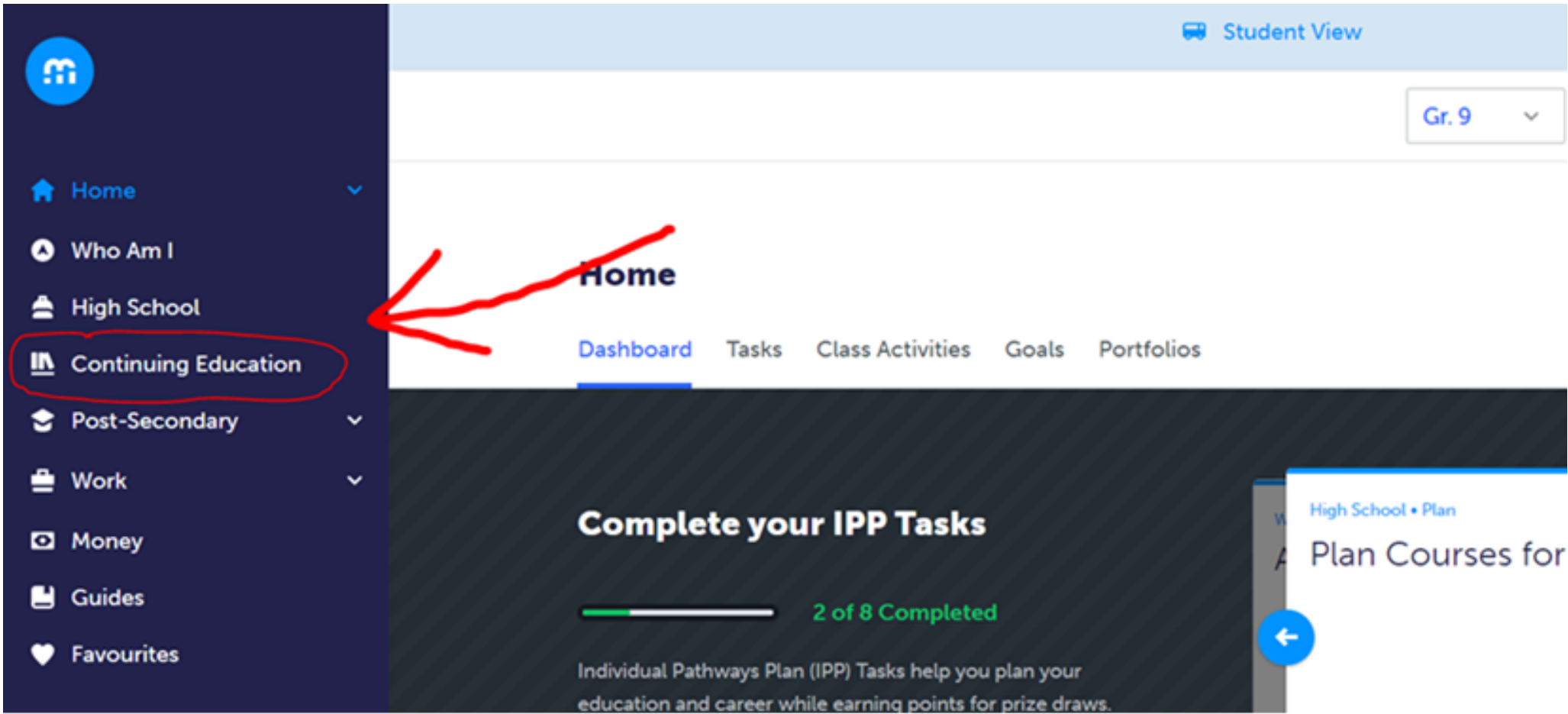
EDU (Students and Teachers)

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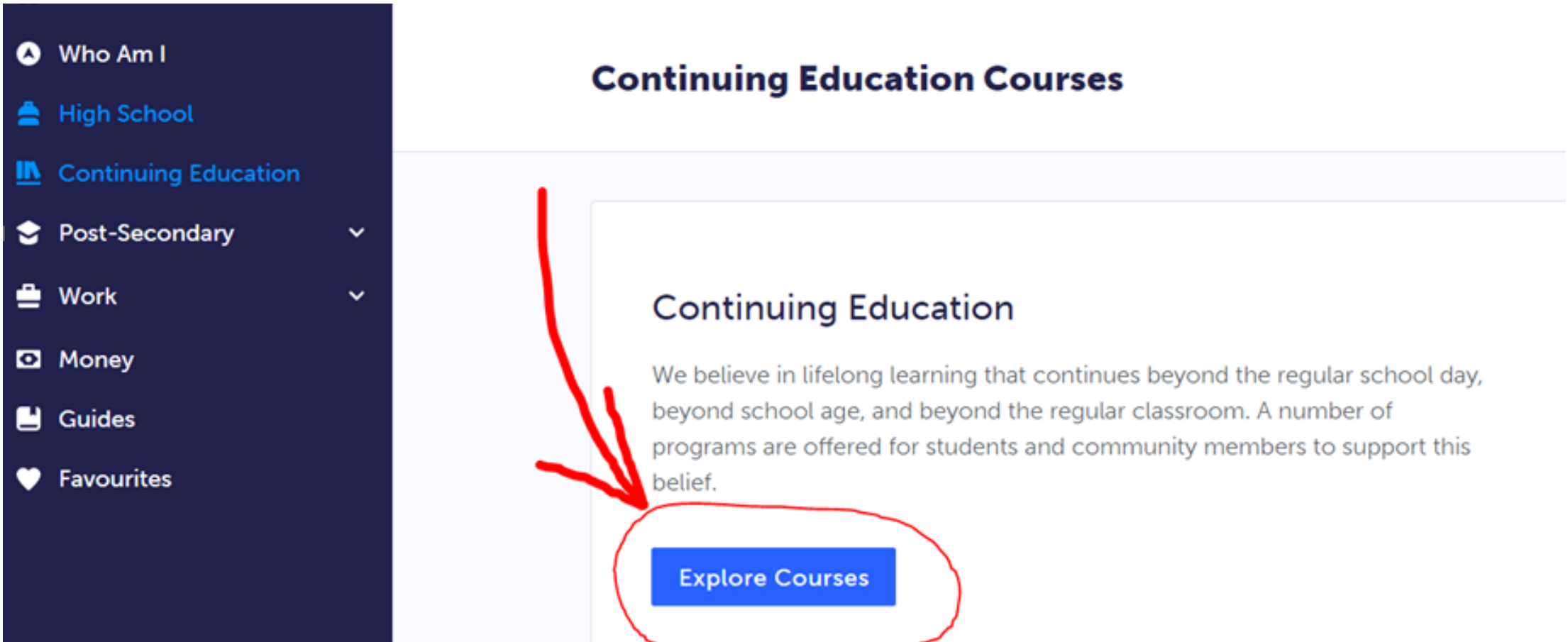
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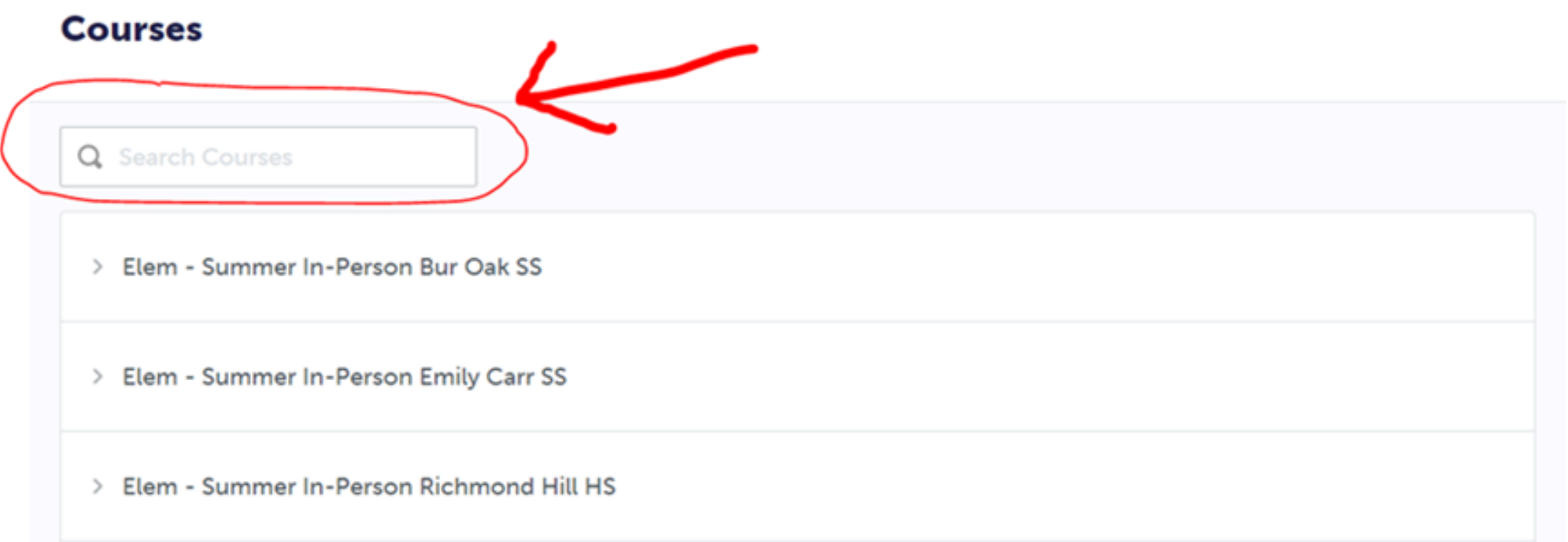
2) Click on the CONTINUING EDUCATION tab on the left column as shown below:



3) Click on the EXPLORE COURSES button as shown below:



4) You can either SEARCH for the course you wish to register for by the name or course code OR you can click on the dropdown menu at your chosen Summer School option and select your Summer School course



> Sec - Summer In-Person Milliken Mills HS
> Sec - Summer In-Person Newmarket HS
> Sec - Summer In-Person Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS
> Sec - Summer In-Person Richmond Green SS
> Sec - Summer In-Person Stephen Lewis SS
> Sec - Summer In-Person Sutton DHS
> Sec - Summer In-Person Tommy Douglas SS
> Sec - Summer Online Learning (Asynchronous)
> Sec - Summer Remote Learning (Synchronous)

5) Select the course you wish to register for by clicking on the button SUBMIT as shown below:

> Sec - Summer In-Person Markham DHS
> Sec - Summer In-Person Milliken Mills HS
> Sec - Summer In-Person Newmarket HS
> Sec - Summer In-Person Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS
▼ Sec - Summer In-Person Richmond Green SS
<div> <div>Advanced Functions - Acceleration</div> <div>MHF4U1 • University • 1 Credit</div> <div>Submit Course</div> </div>
<div> <div>Biology - Acceleration</div> <div>SBI3U1 • University • 1 Credit</div> <div>Submit Course</div> </div>
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6) *No Sign Off Forms are required*



COMING SUMMER 2023

Nurturing Black Student Excellence in Education (NBSE)

MEET BLACK U OF T STUDENTS, STAFF AND ALUMNI TO DISCOVER HOW A BUSINESS DEGREE CAN HELP YOU ACHIEVE YOUR FULL POTENTIAL!

Black-identifying students from grades 9-12 are welcome. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

LEARN MORE:

nbse.utsc@utoronto.ca

uoft.me/nbse-utsc







BRINGING STEM TO LIFE: WORK-INTEGRATED LEARNING PROGRAMS

Summer
2023

**Are you a high school student entering Grades 11 or 12?
Get paid while working with k2i academy on a
STEM research project and pursuing a Grade 11 (3U) or
Grade 12 (4C) Physics credit.**

**Students will be selected by their school board and priority will be given to
underrepresented students in science, technology, engineering and math
(STEM) fields including: Black and Indigenous youth, and women.**

ARE YOU INTERESTED? LEARN MORE HERE.

YOUTHspeak
PRESENTS

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4TH ANNUAL YOUTH CHARITY
BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

SINK A HOOP
Make a Change!



ALL YOUTH
AGES 13-17

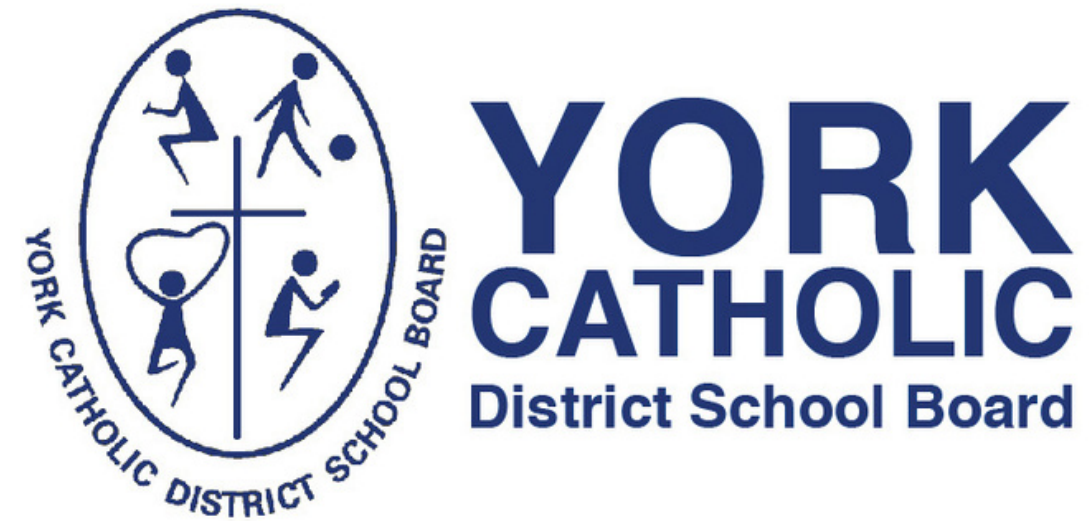


JUNE 3 2023
9AM TO 5PM



MULOCK COURTS
NEWMARKET ON
Beside Terry Fox PS
161 Sawmill Valley Drive

*MORE INFO AT [YOUTHSPEAK.CA](https://youthspeak.ca) OR EMAIL EVENTS@YOUTHSPEAK.CA



York Region

U.S. College & University Fair



Organized by CollegeTrackr Canada

**May 16 at 7pm-9pm ET
Thornhill Secondary School**

- Meet U.S. Universities
- Undergraduate Programs
- NCAA Sports
- Scholarships
- And More!



Scan Here
to Register

SCHOOL IMMUNIZATIONS

York Region Public Health is returning to your child's school for an immunization clinic for Hepatitis B, Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) & Meningococcal vaccines. Vaccines are available for free to students in grades 7-12.

The Scheduled clinic day is **WEDNESDAY APRIL 19, 2023**

A new consent submission **IS NOT required for students who received vaccines at school in fall of 2022.**

For students who did not receive vaccines at school in the Fall of 2022, it's not too late to submit a consent form. **CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE ELECTRONIC CONSENT to complete a school clinic immunization consent form.**

For more information about the school immunization clinics or eligibility for vaccines click here to visit our webpage or call York Region Public Health at 1-877-464-9675

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Unionville High School's School Council Presents...

Life-Proofing Our Kids for Success:

A Four-Part Series

Dr. Lin & Associates <https://www.dr.linandassociates.com/>

Monday, April 24, 2023—Resiliency for Life @ 7:30pm to 8:30pm — Jackie Robertson

Jackie Robertson is a Registered Psychotherapist with over 30 years of experience working with families, adolescents and children. Jackie is a passionate speaker, educator, facilitator and consultant. Jackie has a wealth of experience in the areas of mental health, familial issues, trauma and adoption as she also provides training for the Adoption Counsel of Ontario. She has travelled internationally to build partnerships, coach leaders, provide clinical expertise, and facilitate teaching and workshops. She is engaging, down to earth, humorous and highly motivating in her work approach. She finds her work in supporting others on their journey to reach their full potential is extremely enriching.

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To Join the conversation with Jackie Robertson on Monday, April 24, 2023, please complete the google form:

[UHS School Council Invitation April 24, 2023](#)

If you would like a free copy of Dr. Lin's: "Life Proofing Your Kids; Healthy Parents, Happy Kids." Please email us at

unionville.hs@yrdsb.ca

We hope to see you there!

UHS School Council Invitation April 24, 2023

School Council Meeting Tentative Agenda:

Dear Families,

Our 6th School Council Meeting will be held on Monday, April 24th at Unionville HS in the Library at 7:00 p.m. We will also be offering the meeting virtually. (Google meet will be shared with our families).

School Council Meeting Tentative Agenda:

Monday, April 24, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

1. Welcome

2. Updates from USAC – 5 min

3. ADMIN Updates – 5 min

4. Subject Presentations:

· Moderns – Mr. Lansing – 5 min

· Physical Education – Mr. Wilson – 5 min pre-recorded video

5. The Gift of Learning – Stress and Our Kids – Resiliency for Life @ 7:30pm to 8:30pm – Jackie Robertson

Please use the link below to **pre-register**.

[UHS School Council Invitation April 24, 2023](#)

Do you have questions that you would appreciate a response to? Please use the link below to **submit your questions** ahead of time or during the School Council Meeting. Responses will be provided within the preceding Parent Bulletin.

[School Council Meeting Q and A 2022-2023](#)

*If you would like a free copy of Dr. Lin's: "Life Proofing Your Kids; Healthy Parents, Happy Kids" Please email us at unionville.hs@yrdsb.ca

Looking forward to connecting with you.

Thank you,

UHS Administration

South Asian and Tamil Youth Conference

Grades 7 to 12

To honour South Asian Heritage Month, the York Region District School Board in partnership with [The South Asian and Tamil Women's Collective](#) invites self-identifying South Asian and Tamil, female and gender non-binary, grades 7 to 12 students to attend our 2023 South Asian & Tamil Well-Being Conference.

Students will participate in a day of culturally responsive, identity affirming mentorship and learning in support of their agency, health and well-being.

SHSM students should note that this conference fulfills the Experiential Learning required for your SHSM certification!

Saturday, May 6, 2023 from 8:30am – 2:30 pm

Where:

[Pierre Elliott Trudeau Secondary School](#)

90 Bur Oak Ave, Markham, ON L6C 2E6

Registration:

Students are to register through this [Conference Google Form](#).

Students should also bring the completed [consent](#) for filming form to submit at the conference.

Contact:

For more information, please contact:

nusrat.sacranie@yrdsb.ca or hshah@ccsy.org or
sana.aliqureshi@gmail.com or ayesha.syed@yrdsb.ca

Avagadro and Chem 13 Contests

Our UHS Science department is now taking registrations for the Avagadro and Chem 13 News Chemistry contests hosted by the University of Waterloo. These are challenging on-line contests conducted under teacher supervision in the school Library during period 3 on **Thursday, May 11th** for the grade 12 Chem 13 contest and on **Thursday, May 18th** for the grade 11 Avagadro contest. Please register via Cash On-Line **before April 14th**. Best of luck, chemists!

2023-2024 School Year

The proposed YRDSB 2023-2024 school year calendars have been sent to the Ministry for review and approval. These calendars may be accessed on the [YRDSB website](#).

Please note: Calendars are not official until they receive formal Ministry approval which is expected in late May 2023.

Semester 2 Exams

All students and families need to ensure that students are present and available for the Semester 2 Exam block. Semester 2 Exams will take place **June 21-27, 2023**. Please be aware that **June 28, 2023** is Exam Review Day.

Faith Accommodations for Semester 2

Please be advised of **our regular daily prayer room** during semester two:

Central Prayer Room Location: Room 326 (With the exception of April 3 & 24, May 8 & 29, and June 19 where it will be held in room 219).

Prayer/Meditation Space Request

Does your child need a space to practice their faith? All students who would like to use our Prayer/Meditation Space for the 2022-2023 school year should complete the School Start Up forms: <https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/> and email Ms. Kyriopoulos (effie.kyriopoulos@yrdsb.ca) for more information.

Every Student Counts Survey Opt-Out Information - Letter to Families

This information is also available in the following languages: [Arabic](#), [Chinese Simplified](#), [Chinese Traditional](#), [Farsi](#), [Gujarati](#), [Hebrew](#), [Korean](#), [Punjabi](#), [Russian](#), [Tamil](#), [Turkish](#), [Urdu](#) and [Vietnamese](#).

York Region District School Board will be engaging students from Kindergarten through Grade 12 in the [Every Student Counts Survey](#). CCI Research has been contracted to support YRDSB in the administration of the survey. The online survey will occur from **April 24, 2023 to - May 10, 2023** and will be available in multiple languages.

The Board provided an opportunity for internal and external partners to provide their feedback on the draft surveys. This feedback was used to inform the development of the final surveys. We thank everyone who took the time to provide us with their feedback. Final versions of the survey are available on the [Board website](#).

Information for Families of Students in Kindergarten to Grade 3

Students in Kindergarten to Grade 3 will complete the survey at home with their parent(s), guardian(s) or caregiver(s). Families of students in Grades K-3 who do not wish for their child to fill out the survey can disregard the paper invitation, which will be considered an opt out.

Families of students in Kindergarten to Grade 3 who require an accommodation (e.g., paper survey in enlarged print, translated paper copies) to complete the survey need to contact CCI Research between February 27, 2023 and March 10, 2023 by phone at 1-866-450-4907, to make a request.

Information for Families of Students in Grade 4 to Grade 12

Students in Grade 4 to Grade 12 will receive a paper invitation to complete the survey from their teacher, and will be provided with in-class time to complete the survey. Parents or guardians of students in Grade 4 to Grade 12 who **do not** wish for their child to receive the survey will have the opportunity to opt out between **February 27, 2023 and March 10, 2023**. Families can opt out by completing this [form](#), or by contacting CCI Research by phone at 1-866-450-4907.

Spring OSSLT

Attention to all students who will be writing the OSSLT this semester (this includes eligible students who did not participate or were not successful in the fall administration): our dates have been finalized and this semester's OSSLT will be taking place on the following dates: **April 17, 18, 19 and 20** during **periods 1 and 2**. Students and families will receive specific details as to when they will be writing the OSSLT in March. Any questions about the OSSLT should be directed to our Literacy Teacher – Ms. Chankseliani – at alyssa.chankseliani@yrdsb.ca or Vice-Principal - Mr.Gheewala - at amol.gheewala@yrdsb.ca

Homestay Families Needed for International Visa Students

Host families are needed to offer homestay accommodation to International Visa students. The experience of hosting can be a once in a lifetime experience for your family. Are you able to offer a caring home environment to a YRDSB international student? Remuneration (monthly stipend) is available to families to cover the cost of hosting. Hosting opportunities are available from two well-known organizations, approved by YRDSB. These organizations can support you every step of the way. Both [Canada Homestay Network](#) and [MLI Homestay](#) offer additional information online. These opportunities are available broadly to YRDSB staff, and members of school communities

UHS Library Items

[How to Make a Movie in Ten Easy Lessons](#) by Robert Blofield

[How to Build a Time Machine: The Real Science of Time Travel](#) by Brian Clegg

[How to Read Buildings: A Crash Course in Architectural Styles](#) by Carol Cragoe

[How to Write a Sentence and How to Read One](#) by Stanley Fish

[How to Draw Animation](#) by Christopher Hart

[How to Get a Job in the Music Industry](#) by Keith Hatschek

[Bake with Anna Olson: More than 125 Simple, Scrumptious, and Sensational Recipes to Make You a Better Baker](#) by Anna Olson

[How to Read a Poem](#) by Molly Peacock

[How to Build Your Own Prize-Winning Robot](#) by Edwin Sobey

[How to Write One Song](#) by Jeff Tweedy

Students are invited to join the Library's Google Classroom. The join code is sv427pg. Students may also search for books, request books and access other resources on the [Library page](#) (click link) of the UHS website.

Students also have access to ebooks through [SORA](#) (click link). They sign in using the number 0 followed by their student number.

Volunteer with Markham Public Library

Get your hours, make friends and create an impact for your community. Click [here](#) for flyer.

What Do You Need to Graduate from High School?

[What do you need to Graduate?](#) – Click the link to see what courses and requirements you will need to graduate.

Peer Tutoring

All students **interested in becoming a peer tutor** for the 2022-2023 school year must submit their application through this link: <https://bit.ly/BecomeTutorUHS0>

This application must be completed using the **student's GAPPS email**. Upon submitting, students will **receive an email containing a PDF** that will need to be printed, signed and returned to the Guidance Department dropbox located outside the Guidance Office. **Please Note:** If students are applying to tutor a subject they are currently taking, please ask your subject teacher first, as students are required to indicate their subject teacher's name to confirm if they are recommended for tutoring that subject.

All students **requesting a peer tutor** must submit their application through this link: <https://bit.ly/RequestTutorUHS>

This application must be completed using the **student's GAPPS email**. Upon submitting, students will **receive an email containing a PDF** that will need to be printed, signed and returned to the Guidance Department dropbox located outside the Guidance Office.

[Please click here for the Peer Tutoring flyer](#)

Create a Book for Elementary School Kids - Deadline April 16

Please click [here](#) for flyer.

Culturally Responsive Mental Health & Wellbeing Services for Students & Families

Please click [here](#) for flyer.

Technology Requests

We are encouraging all students to bring their own laptop or chromebook to school on a daily basis to assist in their learning. If you are bringing a personal laptop or chromebook, please ensure that it is clearly labelled for ease of identification. All students who were previously issued a Board device should bring this device to school for continued daily use. If your child does not already have a personal or Board laptop or chromebook, please complete the **Technology Request Form 2022-2023**.



Wellness Reminder of the Week:

The UHS Wellness Council is a student run council whose mission is dedicated to improve students' health and well-being by creating and maintaining a positive school environment here at UHS. To learn more about how you can be part of the UHS Wellness Council, [please click here](#) for our Instagram page.

"Keep smiling, because life is a beautiful thing and there's so much to smile about."

News, Tips and Resources for Families

Looking for the latest news, tips and resources for families? Some of our departments put out monthly newsletters that provide helpful updates and resources for families.

Visit our [newsletters page](#) to see them all, or check out the latest from:

- [Centre for Black Student Excellence](#)
- [Math and Math Problems of the month](#)
- [Mental Health](#)
- [Parent, Family & Community Engagement](#)
- ["The Special Edition" Exceptional Learning Strengths and Needs Newsletter](#)

Discover the Benefits of Studying in the UK

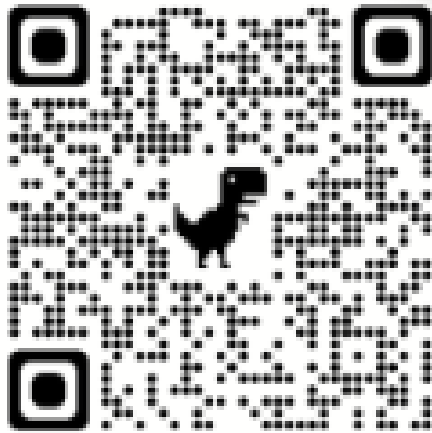
Thursday, April 27th at 6.30 pm ET

Register for this online webinar below



Topics to be discussed in this webinar:

- Benefits of studying in the UK
- Entry requirements and costs
- Application process and timeline
- How to set up your UCAS profile
- Required documents
- How SI-UK assists you



There will also be time for a Q&A at the end

Club Name	Contact
Architecture	Zach Layton
Arts Council	Shane Clodd
Artisans Club	Jessica Li
Badminton Club	Jonathan Tam - Ivan Wong
Black Excellence	Sara Faulkner - Zach Teitel - Beckey Serwaa
Board Games Club	Brooke Semoff
Book Club	Celeste Lawton
Business & Sports	Neil Sareen
Charis Christian Club	Peter Lansing
Chinese Culture Club	Shan-Chen Yu
Community Council	James Campbell
Computer Science Club	Raymond Do
Cooking Club	Anna DiLorenzo
Dance Council	Melissa Bettio - Kathleen Major
Debate Club	Megan Woo
DECA	Kuo Pan - Wes Guldemon - Neil Sareen
Dramatic Arts Council	Laz Geronikolos
Eco-Council	Michael Johnston
Film Club	Lauren Fridman - Shiraz Rafik - Zach Layton
Gender & Sexuality Alliance	Sara Faulkner - Zach Teitel
Historical Club	Laura Fong
Jazz Band	Niloufar Barazesh
K-Pop Club	Kathleen Major
Light Music Club	Jennifer Porter
Math Club	Daniela Panacci
Med Club	Henry Wang
Mock Trial	Nathan Struk
Muslim Students Association	Farhan Baig
Narrative Arts Club	Shiraz Rafik
Newcomers Club	Keyan Wu - Brooke Semoff
Philosophical Studies Club	Laura Fong
Prom Committee	Zafirah Damji - Daniela Panacci - Melissa Bettio
Robotics	Brian Cho - Andrew Dennis Raymond Do - David De Paolis
Science Club	Elaine Howard - Jeffrey Chan
Shalom Unionville	Zach Teitel
Show Choir	Melissa Bettio - Julia Fong - Michelle Teh
Social Justice Club	Felicia Sukdeo - Jennifer Porter
Special Events Club	Zafirah Damji - Susan Sun
STEM Beyond	Georgina Mantelos
Table Tennis Club	Jeffrey Chan
Tamil Students Association	Shama Sharma
Target Alpha	Mathew Himelson - Wes Guldemon
Wellness Club	Michelle Farwell
Writers Club	Zach Layton
Unionville Howl	Keyan Wu
Voice Acting Club	Stephanie Taylor
Yearbook Club	Lisa Wong - Frances Tom - Zach Layton
Yoga Club	Jennifer Zamperin
Zoology	Yiu Lun Leung - Daniel Dietrich

Please click [here](#) to contact teachers.

Upcoming Events

DATE	EVENT
FRIDAY, MAY 5	PA Day (No Classes)
MONDAY, MAY 22	Victoria Day (No Classes)
THURSDAY, JUNE 1	UHS Prom