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### Club List 2019-2020

Please click the link below to find out about clubs at UHS. Students who are interested in joining a club should speak to the teacher advisor or attend the scheduled meeting. The link below includes teacher contact names and meeting times.

[Club List 2019-2020](#)

### NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS FEBRUARY 24th-28th

February 24 Day 1	•
February 25 Day 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PEAK Students Visit George Brown College</li> <li>• Pascal, Cayley, Fermat Math Contest (Cafeteria Period 1)</li> </ul>
February 26 Day 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chamber Choir at Trinity– St.Paul's Centre for The Indigo Project</li> <li>• P.E.A.K. to Stiver Mill Community Centre</li> <li>• UBC Michel Smith Challenge (Period 4)</li> </ul>
February 27 Day 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chamber Choir at Trinity– St.Paul's Centre for The Indigo Project</li> <li>• Junior Girls Volleyball at MDHS (3:30-5:30pm)</li> </ul>
February 28 Day 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chamber Choir at Trinity– St.Paul's Centre for The Indigo Project</li> <li>• Robotics Competition at Durham College (12:00-7:00pm)</li> <li>• Rock Climbing Team to the Hub</li> </ul>

### UPCOMING EVENTS MARCH 2nd-6th

March 2 Day 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Junior Girls Volleyball at MDHS (3:30-5:30pm)</li> </ul>
March 3 Day 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade 12 AU Visual Arts Show at Flato Theatre</li> <li>• Chamber Choir at Trinity– St.Paul's Centre for The Indigo Project</li> </ul>
March 4 Day 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade 12 AU Visual Arts Show at Flato Theatre</li> <li>• P.E.A.K. to Stiver Mill Community Centre</li> <li>• Junior Girls Volleyball at Milliken Mills HS (3:30-5:30pm)</li> </ul>
March 5 Day 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade 12 AU Visual Arts Show at Flato Theatre</li> <li>• UHS Semi Formal at Crystal Fountain (6:00-10:30 pm)</li> </ul>
March 6 Day 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade 12 AU Visual Arts Show at Flato Theatre</li> <li>• SHSM ICE Challenge in the Library</li> </ul>

## FEBRUARY 2020 UHS NEWSLETTER

Please click the link below for our February 2020 Newsletter.

[Unionville High School - February 2020 Newsletter](#)

## STUDENT TRUSTEE VOTING INFORMATION

From Friday, February 21, 2020 to Wednesday, February 26, 2020 students in Grades 5 through to Grade 11 will have an opportunity to cast their vote to select their Student Trustees for the 2020-2021 school year. Students will be able to vote for two of the four student trustee candidates. Information about the candidates, process and timelines is available on the Student Trustee website.

## UHS COURSE SELECTION

UHS Guidance department would like to remind parents/guardians and students that the **deadline to submit course selections in My Pathway Planner is this Monday February 24**. Please be sure that your student prints the sign-off form and that it is signed by a parent/guardian and student before returning it to their period 1 teacher. Students without a period 1 can return their form to the Guidance office. All forms are due back no later than Wednesday February 26th.

Potential graduates who are not returning next year must also complete and submit their 'not returning' selection in My Pathway Planner and must submit their sign-off form as well.

## 30th ANNUAL CN TOWER CLIMB FOR NATURE

**WWF-Canada is looking for volunteers to fill a variety of positions for the upcoming 30th Annual CN Tower Climb for Nature. See the website below for more details.**

[30th Annual CN Tower Climb](#)

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH POSTER CONTEST

Please click the link below for more information on the Black History Month poster contest.

[Black History Month Poster Contest](#)

## WOMEN IN SPORT SYMPOSIUM

Please join us at Bill Crothers for a Women in Sport Symposium. We have a wonderful line-up of innovative speakers to take part in a panel, with keynote speaker Dr. Robyne Hanley-Dafoe from Trent University who has a specialization in resiliency. Please see her attached Tedx Talk.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=43adV3m5w3M>

Please save the date: Thursday March 26th @ 6:30pm.

## ELL MEETING CANCELLED

ELL Parent Network Meeting on February 25 is cancelled.

## BCFN 10th ANNUAL FUNDRAISING INVITATION

Black Foundation of Community Networks cordially invites you to our 10th Annual Fundraising Dinner & Dance. Please click **HERE** for more information.

## No Parking Zone

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Please be advised that there is a No Parking Zone located in front of the main entrance of the school on Town Centre Boulevard. This area is for buses and pick up and drop offs only. Most importantly this is a fire route. For safety reasons we cannot have cars parked or idling in this spot even if occupied by a driver or passenger.

## Aquatic Leadership Program – Winter 2020

Please click [here](#) for the Aquatic Leadership Program for Winter 2020.

## English as a Second Language Classes for Adults

Classes available for registration. Please click [here](#).

## Upgrade Your Employment Skills

Upgrade your skills for employment. Please click [here](#).

## 2020 March Break Youth Engagement Program

This program is for mature students in Grades 9-12 who may be interested in Policing or working within a Police service. For more information please click [here](#).

## Ontario Educational Leadership Centre

Transformative leadership courses are available for grade 6-12 students interested in developing foundational leadership skills, making a difference in their schools and communities, and becoming agents of change. Please click the link for more Information. [OELC Leadership Courses](#).

## Winter Weather Notice

Dear Families,

As we go into the winter months, it is important that families are aware that there may be rare occasions when emergency weather events occur and we need to close all schools and Board locations.

### *Emergency winter weather*

Emergency closures will be considered when facilities may not be safe for students and staff members to attend school for the full day. This may include events that significantly limit school operations or access to the school site, or cause widespread, prolonged power failures or downed power lines.

In keeping with our current practice, we will continue to keep our schools open as much as possible. However, it is important that families have alternate childcare arrangements planned for the rare occasions when schools may be closed. Before and after care programs will also not operate if schools are closed. Please take the time to make plans in the event of an emergency school closure.

### *School transportation cancellations*

School transportation (buses and taxis) may be cancelled due to extreme cold or inclement weather. If transportation is cancelled in the morning, it will also be cancelled for the afternoon. On these days, schools will remain open unless otherwise stated.

Families can use their best judgment to decide whether to send their children to school on inclement weather days. Students will not be penalized for missing school. For safety reasons, you are required to let the school know if your child will not be attending school that day.

### *Communication to families*

Decisions about school transportation and school closures will be made as early as possible and no later than 6:00 a.m.

We are introducing a new communications system that will send **text messages to parents/guardians for emergency purposes only**. This includes the rare event of a school closure. Parents/guardians have the ability to opt-out of receiving text messages should they choose.

We will do our best to notify families in advance when we may be considering closing school and Board offices. Our priority continues to be the safety of our students, staff members and families. If you have any questions, please speak with your school principal.

Transportation cancellations or school closures will also continue to be communicated through:

Student Transportation Services website: [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com)

Student Transportation Hotline: 1-877-330-3001

[Board website](#) and school websites

[@YRDSB](#) Twitter account

Radio and TV media outlets

For more information on [severe weather days](#), please visit our website [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca).

Sincerely,



Louise Sirisko Director of Education