

JUNE 20, 2025

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UNIONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

WEEKLY PARENT/GUARDIAN BULLETIN

GUIDANCE UPDATES
TECH REQUEST FORM
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COMING UP@UHS

JUNE



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EXAM REVIEW DAY

-MODIFIED SCHEDULE SEE PAGE 8
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PA DAY (NO CLASSES)

**UHS GRADUATION
PARAMOUNT CONFERENCE &
EVENT SPACE
6:30 PM**

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PA DAY (NO CLASSES)

“Supporting the truth, even when it is unpopular, shows the capacity for honesty and integrity.”

Steve Brunkhorst

ARTS@UHS

ALMOST, MAINE

BY JOHN CARIANI



*Grade 11
AU Drama*

ALMOST, MAINE

JUNE 16TH: 8:00PM IN RM 106


JUNE 23RD: 12:00PM IN RM 106

TICKETS AVAILABLE ON SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

JUNE 23RD 12:30PM SHOW

<http://yrdsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/405433/72/False/True>

GUIDANCE@UHS



GRADUATION CEREMONY

THURSDAY JUNE 26, 2025

**** THIS IS A TICKETED EVENT!**

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT HOURS

Summer is a great time for students to work on completing Community Involvement Hours. 40 hours of community involvement are required to graduate.

Students are reminded that they must have their activity pre-approved prior to completing the activity.

Please ensure the activity is completed with a not-for-profit organization or charitable foundation. For specific details about ineligible activities, please visit

<https://www.ontario.ca/document/education-ontario-policy-and-program-direction/policyprogram-memorandum-124#section-6>

Students may join the 'UHS Volunteer Google Classroom' (enrolment key: j7t5zik) or meet with a Guidance counsellor to learn about volunteer opportunities.

Guidance @ UHS

Y2 LEGACY is designed with a long-term vision in mind. Ideally, students begin their LEGACY journey in the summer before Grade 9 and return each year, completing a new course annually. This pathway culminates in Grades 11 or 12 with:

- **The opportunity to earn grade 12 Business Leadership university/college course and a Schulich School of Business Certificate**
- **The option to take a summer co-op placement with a Black-led community organization, and**
- **The possibility of being invited to participate in a York University course in the Fall, expanding post-secondary readiness and access.**

Why Choose Y2 LEGACY?

- **Gain skills for a future driven by innovation, leadership, and adaptability**
- **Learn in an affirming, identity-centred environment that celebrates Black excellence**
- **Build a multi-year learning pathway that supports academic and career achievement**
- **Earn secondary credits while exploring post-secondary options**
- **Access mentorship, Black community partnerships, and university-level experiences**
- **Become eligible for a Schulich Certificate and Fall York University course**

Program Eligibility

- **TAS2O and ENG2D are open to students of all social identities and offer a chance to explore Afrocentric ways of knowing while building understanding of Black brilliance, histories, and narratives.**
- **DCO3C and BOH4M are exclusive to Black-identifying students, fostering a more specialized and identity-affirming experience.**

For more information, please visit: [Y2 Summer Program](#)

Guidance @ UHS

Summer

School

YRDSB Summer School 2025
Summer School Registration opens on **Tuesday April 15th 2025.**

Summer school runs from July 2nd - July 25th
There are 2 Learning Formats Offered:




1) **In Person Learning**
Acceleration courses will be offered in a face-to-face learning model.

Locations: Bill Hogarth SS, Bur Oak SS, Keswick HS, Maple HS, Middlefield HS, Newmarket HS, Richmond Green SS, and Thornlea SS

Full Disclosure Date for Acceleration Courses: Monday, July 21

The school day will begin at 8:45 a.m. and end at 3:33 p.m.

2) **Online Learning**
Online Learning Courses are specifically designed to be taught in a fully online format (hours are flexible, however, students should be completing about 6 hours of work/day). Online learning relies on communication between pupils and teacher. Online learning does not require pupils and teachers to be face-to-face with each other. Classes occur online using an asynchronous model, with synchronous check-in opportunities with the teacher. The learning platform is Brightspace by D2L.

MyBlueprint/My Pathway instructions are outlined here: 	Summer School Course Offerings/Locations can be found here: 	General Summer School Info can be found here: 
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Markham Public Library



Summer is almost here and from June to August 2025, Markham Public Library is excited to announce an exciting event (Family Fun Fest) as well as other learning opportunities for preschool, children and youth. We truly look forward to have you/your family join us at Markham Public Library!

[Click Here](#)

REGISTRATION FOR THE SECONDARY INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES AND INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES CREDIT COURSE SELECTION WILL OPEN ON TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2025 [CLICK HERE](#)

SPECIAL EDUCATION @UHS

SPECIAL EDUCATION Students, Parents and Guardians: Thinking About, Applying To and Planning On Attending Colleges and University

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Thinking about, Applying to and Planning on Attending Colleges and University



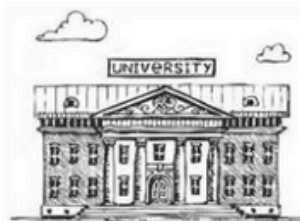
Assistance for Special Education extends beyond High School in both College and University. Access to Special Education services in College and University is **very different than high school**, after accepting a program students must **self advocate** and **register themselves** with the appropriate offices **AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE**.

Once your child has received their acceptance and indicated they will attend they should be reaching out to the College or University right away! **DO NOT leave it until the fall** as doing so could leave them without accommodations in their first semester!

Colleges and Universities **require students to provide copies** of relevant documents (IEP, psycho-educational assessments, medical documentation, etc.). In some cases additional documents or testing may be requested.



The **language** used in Post Secondary institutions also differs greatly from high school, there are no IEPs (Individual Education Plans) and instead students are provided **Letters of Accommodation** that they must share with their Instructors and Professors. The accommodations provided at the College and University level may be significantly different than those received in high school.



There are **programs offered the summer before students start** at some institutions to help students transition to post secondary and gain an understanding of how Special Education services will work for them.

To learn more about how to access services at the Colleges and Universities your child is interested in or attending please visit: <http://www.transitionresourceguide.ca>

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FINAL EXAMS

Please see the attached schedule of formal written exams. Please note that formal written exams begin at 9:00 a.m.

Students may have “by appointment” exams/culminating activities with their teacher; “by appointment” exams/culminating activities are not listed on the attached schedule.

During Exam Week from Wednesday, June 18 to Tuesday, June 24, students are to be at school only for their scheduled exams or “by appointment” exams/culminating activities. Once students complete their exam or culminating activity each day, they must leave the school premises.

[CLICK HERE](#)

EXAM REVIEW DAY - MODIFIED SCHEDULE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2025

Period	Time
Period 1/Homeroom	8:25 - 9:02 a.m.
Travel Time	9:02 - 9:07 a.m.
Period 2	9:07 - 9:44 a.m.
Travel Time	9:44 - 9:49 a.m.
Period 3	9:49 - 10:26 a.m.
Travel Time	10:26 - 10:31 a.m.
Period 4	10:31 a.m. - 11:08 a.m.
Travel Time	11:08 a.m. - 11:13 a.m.
Period 5	11:13 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
Lunch	11:50 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Afternoon Activities + Promotion Meetings	12:30 - 3:05 p.m.

Trustee Newsletter Greeting

[https://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/unionville.hs/Documents/message%20from%20our%20trustee.p
df](https://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/unionville.hs/Documents/message%20from%20our%20trustee.pdf)

THE LAST DAY OF FORMAL CLASSES IS TUESDAY, JUNE 17. EXAM WEEK RUNS FROM WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18 TO TUESDAY, JUNE 24.

The order of exams is as follows:

- Wednesday, June 18 – Period 4 exams at 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, June 19 – Period 5 exams at 9:00 a.m.
- Friday, June 20 – Period 1 exams at 9:00 a.m.
- Monday, June 23 – Period 2 exams at 9:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, June 24 – Period 3 exams at 9:00 a.m.

For some classes, teachers have scheduled a “by appointment” culminating activity or performance exam. Students who have “by appointment” exams should arrive 15 minutes prior and wait in the cafeteria.

During Exam Week, students attend school only for their own scheduled exams or “by appointment” culminating activities/performances. Students who have “by appointment” exams must not linger in corridors as other exams are in progress. After the exam or “by appointment” exam is over, students are kindly asked to leave the premises. Students need to make transportation arrangements accordingly.

Thursday, June 26 and Friday, June 27 are Professional Activity Days. Students do not attend school on these days.

Community Classes will continue to run during Exam Week as per their regular hours. Community class start times, end times and transportation continue as normal during exams.

During exams, the library will be closed. The cafeteria servery is now closed for the year.

Students must return textbooks, library books, and other borrowed materials no later than the last day of their course/date of their exam.

Wednesday, June 25 is Exam Review Day. This day allows students to see the results of their final exams and culminating activities/performances, find out their final marks, and have any final questions about course content answered.

The schedule for this day has been modified as follows:

Period 1/Homeroom	8:25 am - 9:02 am
Period 2	9:07 am - 9:44 am
Period 3	9:49 am - 10:26 am
Period 4	10:31 am - 11:08 am
Period 5	11:13 am - 11:50 am

INFO



UHS STUDENTS SHINE AT THE 2025 SKILLS ONTARIO COMPETITIONS!

We're proud to celebrate the outstanding achievements of our students at this year's Skills Ontario Competitions. **Aditya Manyal** and **Neil Karkhanis** brought home the gold medal in the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) event, impressing judges with their ability to map crime patterns in Ottawa using spatial analysis tools. **Braeden Penney** earned the silver medal in Mechanical CAD, showcasing precision and design expertise in a competitive field.

**Congratulations
to all three
students for their
outstanding
achievement!**

[!\[\]\(d66ff64371a51729ac8c1cdaa685ba6f_img.jpg\) Read more about the GIS gold medal win in Esri Canada's article](#)


 Photos feature Principal Ms. Nunes and Vice Principal Ms. Clarke with the medalists, and a portrait of the three winners proudly wearing their medals.



Photo credit: Nathan Wong, Grade 12 Communications Technology student
(Ms. L. Wong - Technological Studies)



Math Awards



*Last week, the UHS Math Department recognized the achievement and efforts of **105 students**. These students participated in various math contests receiving 182 Certificates of Distinctions.*

*The students of UHS did extremely well in the **Fermat** competition offered by the University of Waterloo. The UHS team won the regional championship, the Ontario championship, and the Canadian championship! This is an incredible achievement!*

***Congratulations** to the team of **Zhenqi (Bob) R., Qinrong (David) T., and Kimi Y.** Their full names are engraved on two plaques that will be displayed in the school.*

For the **CIMC** contest, **Sophia C.** received a medal and nine students received Certificates of Distinction

For the **CSMC** contest, **Zhenqi (Bob) R.** received a medal and 37 students received Certificates of Distinction.

For the **Pascal** contest, **Vinny W.** received a medal and 11 students received Certificates of Distinction.

For the **Cayley** contest, **Sophia C.** received a medal and nine students received Certificates of Distinction

For the **Fermat** contest, **Zhenqi (Bob) R., Qinrong (David) T., and Kimi Y.** received medals, and 26 students received Certificates of Distinction.

For the **Fryer** contest, **Jason X.** received a medal and 11 students received Certificates of Distinction.

For the **Galois** contest, **Jeremy H. and Nathan M.** received medals and four students received Certificates of Distinction.

For the **Hypatia** contest, **Jingkai (Kevin) W.** received a medal and 13 students received Certificates of Distinction.

For the **Euclid** contest, **Jingkai (Kevin) W. and Angela Z.** received medals and 28 students received Certificates of Distinction.

For the **COMC** contest, **Eric W.** scored the highest. Seventeen UHS students received certificates for Performance with Distinctions and 17 other UHS students received certificates for Performance with Honours.

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Thank you to the teachers of the UHS Math Department for supporting the “mathletes” through the contests and competitions.

OPPORTUNITIES @UHS

YOUTH JOB FAIR

Time to level up

[Click here](#)

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Planning and Preparing to get hired.

[Click here](#)

STUDENT SIN & SUMMER JOB BANK CLINIC SPRING 2025

[Click here](#)

Canada Summer Job 2025

Now Hiring!

- Camp Counsellor
- Web Developer
- Digital Marketing Coordinator
- Volunteer Manager
- Community organizer

8-Week Paid Positions Available Starting April 28 or June 30 in Toronto, Peel Region, York Region, Vancouver, or Remote



Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis until spots are filled.

Apply Today:
yorkeducation.org/join-us

VIRTUAL SUMMER TEEN MENTORING PROGRAM-FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 9 TO 12. [Click Here](#)

VIRTUAL SUMMER TEEN MENTORING PROGRAM -FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 6 TO 8. [Click Here](#)

REENA'S SET PROGRAM - NEW SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

[Click here](#)



WELLNESS

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Dear Families

The Ontario Ministry of Education released [Policy/Program Memorandum 128](#) in the fall of 2024, which included a directive to school boards to set out enforcement mechanisms to address the possession, use and provision of tobacco, electronic cigarettes, nicotine products, recreational cannabis, alcohol and illegal drugs. In support of a comprehensive approach, we are pleased to announce that in the coming months, vape-detecting devices will be installed at all YRDSB secondary schools.

Our schools continue to provide education and support regarding the harmful impact of these products. Please see resources listed below.

Resources for Families

QUASH

A Logical Plan for Quitting

free smoking and vaping cessation app (co-designed by youth for youth)

School Mental Health Ontario

Vaping: What you need to know

general information about vaping; outlines important facts, associated risks, and additional resources to support educators/families in having informed conversations with students

York Region Public Health (YRPH)

Vape Facts: What You Need to Know

a website containing YRPH anti-vaping campaign videos and vaping facts

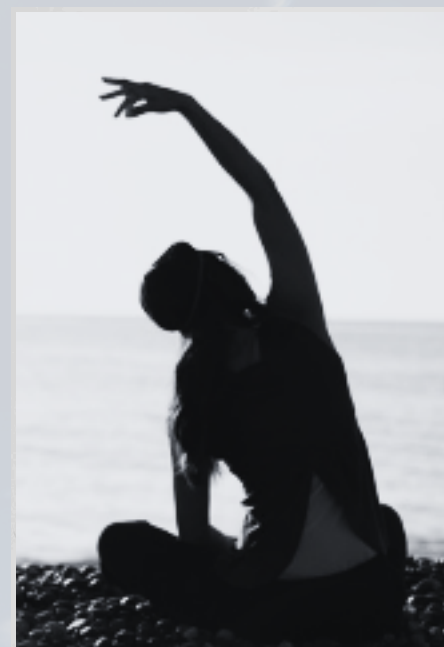
Vaping and E-Cigarettes

a website continuing YRPH information on vaping and health risks

Canadian Lung Association

How to Talk to Your Child About Vaping

a pdf guide for parents about talking with your child about vaping and the risks



LIBRARY @UHS

FROM THE LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS

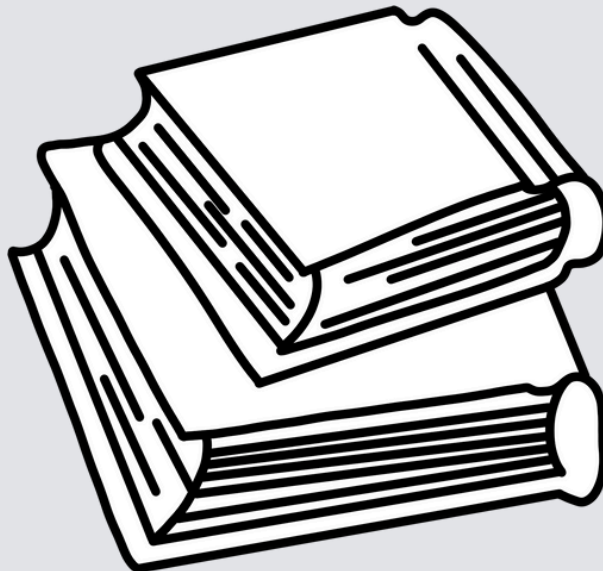
Library Learning Commons resources will remain available for students throughout the summer.

Ebooks and audiobooks are available through [Sora](#). Students sign in using 0 followed by their student number. Until August 25th, Sora is offering a series of always available ebooks and audiobooks--no waitlists! This program is called Sora Sweet Reads. After signing in, students will see this program on Sora's explore tab.

The UHS [Globe and Mail](#) subscription will continue to be active.

Databases and other online resources can be found [at our website page](#). Passwords are found on the Library's Google Classroom. The join code is dus2klz.

Markham Public Library is also offering a Summer Reading Club. Find more information [at this link](#).





All YRDSB schools are now using School Cash Online as an online payment system. School Cash Online is an easy, safe and convenient way for families to pay online for extracurricular items or events, including yearbooks and field trips. It helps to reduce paper and the amount of cash/cheques handled by parents and students. Families may make payments using School Cash Online, or by cash or cheque.

How do I access the tool?

You can register for School Cash Online at any time by visiting the website. Once you are registered, you will be notified of any new items available for your child. How do I register? Please click here for instructions.

EXTRAS @UHS

YORK REGION VOLLEYBALL PRESENTS
SPRING HOUSE LEAGUE

APRIL 6 - JUNE 8, 2025

- Learn volleying, passing, hitting, and serving
- Develop skills through games and activities
- Play in a non-competitive environment that makes learning FUN!

\$240 (+tax)

What to Expect:

- Skill development + modified games every session
- Using kid-friendly equipment for confidence and success!

8 weeks on Sundays

Sessions:
 Session 1: 8am - 10:30am | 8 - 10 years old
 Session 2: 10:30am - 12pm | 11 - 15 years old
 Session 3: 12pm - 1:30pm | 8 - 10 years old
 Session 4: 1:30pm - 3pm | 11 - 15 years old

Location:
 St. Elizabeth Catholic High School
 625 New Westminster Dr., Thornhill, ON L4J 7Y3

www.yorkregionvolleyball.ca
 York Region Volleyball
 (416) 258-8871
 yorkregionvolleyball@yorkregionvolleyball.ca

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HEALTHY DEMOCRACY STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

Application Deadline: June 6, 2025, at 11:59 p.m.

Selection Criteria:

- Commitment to civic engagement and the importance of local governments
- Diversity of leadership and perspective
- Community involvement
- Social identity, socio-economic status or other factors

Open to all graduating OPSBA-member English public school and school authority students.

APPLY NOW

www.opsba.org

Healthy Democracy Award Flyer

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2025 Healthy Democracy Student Leadership Award
 Central East Region of the Ontario Public School Boards' Association

Background Information
 The Healthy Democracy Student Leadership Award, a partnership between the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA), is being awarded in the amount of \$1,000 to one graduating English public school student in each of OPSBA's five regions. Scholarship recipients are students with strong leadership skills and potential, who care deeply about their communities and furthering their own learning.

Eligible Students

- ☐ A Canadian citizen or permanent resident
- ☐ In good standing with the secondary school
- ☐ Entering a post-secondary program (e.g., university, college, apprenticeship, etc.) within Ontario in 2025
- ☐ Graduating from a secondary school within one of the eligible school boards or school authority within the Central East Region.

Eligible School Boards and Authorities

- Bloomview School Authority
- Durham District School Board
- Grandview School Authority
- Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board
- The Protestant Separate School Board of the Town of Peterborough
- Simcoe County District School Board
- Toronto District School Board
- Tribal Lakeland District School Board
- York Region District School Board

Selection Criteria

- ☐ A demonstrated commitment to civic engagement and the importance of local governments in Ontario's political system
- ☐ Diversity of leadership and perspective
- ☐ Community involvement such as volunteering, athletics, and extra-curricular activities, including within a First Nation, Métis or Inuit community
- ☐ Social identity, socio-economic status or other factors unique to each student's achievements and the opportunities available to them

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LET'S GET Walking!

Walking is a natural and easy form of physical activity that can be enjoyed by most children. It's a great way for children to meet The Canadian 24-Hour Movement Guidelines.

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

- Reduces stress, depression and anxiety
- Increases confidence, well-being and positive mental health

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

- Healthy brain development
- Stimulates the body and mind
- Improves academic performance, better concentration, attention span, memory and focus

HEART AND LUNG HEALTH

- Improves heart health and fitness
- Increases lung capacity

PROMOTING LONG TERM HEALTH

- Reduces risk for type 2 diabetes, osteoporosis, heart and lung disease
- Strengthens immune system

BONE AND MUSCLE STRENGTH

- Builds stronger muscles and bones
- Increases muscle endurance

STAY UP & GO! Walk to school or enjoy nature on park or forest trails. Make it fun by walking with others - try a walking challenge or mindful walking. Let's build healthy kids and get walking!

PUBLIC HEALTH
 york.ca/HealthyKids

York Region

LET'S GET Walking!
 Walking is a natural and easy form of physical activity that can be enjoyed by most children. It's a great way to meet The Canadian 24-Hour Movement Guidelines.

EXTRAS @UHS

2025 PHILOSOPHY SUMMER ACADEMY

This summer, explore interesting issues in politics, law, and philosophy!
Develop your critical thinking and logical reasoning alongside top
philosophy specialists from the University of Toronto. [Click here](#)

TOOLKIT FOR FAMILY DASHBOARD- JUNE 2025

<https://yrdsb.sharepoint.com/sites/BWW-IT/SitePages/Family-Dashboard.aspx?CT=1749215996286&OR=OWA-NT-Mail&CID=48c488d1-677b-bc38-9606-339faed980e7#communications-toolkit-for-family-dashboard-june-2025>

AQUATIC LEADERSHIP REGISTRATION FALL 2025 AND WINTER 2026

<https://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/unionville.hs/Documents/ALP%20Final%20Parts%201%20and%202%20Winter%202026%20Program%20Info.pdf>

<https://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/unionville.hs/Documents/ALP%20Final%20Parts%201%20Fall%202025%20Program%20Info.pdf>

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[Black Foundation of Community
Networks Scholarship Application
Workshop](#)

[The Canadian Black Nurses Alliance -
York University Nursing Summer High-
School Workshop 2025](#)

[Understanding and Navigating the
Education System - Families of
YRDSB Black Students June
Information Session](#)

[Faith Day Request Process](#)

UP COMING@UHS



JULY -
AUGUST



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

July - August
Monday to Thursday
8:00 am to 3:30 pm

The office will be closed
August 7 to August 20, 2025

Main office re-opens
August 25, 2025