

Unionville High School Weekly Parent Bulletin

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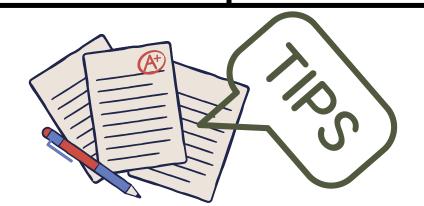
Character Matters Trait of the Month: Integrity

"We learned about honesty and integrity - that the truth matters... that you don't take shortcuts or play by your own set of rules... and success doesn't count unless you earn it fair and square."

— Michelle Obama

Upcoming Events

| DATE | EVENT | |
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| June 18 - 25 | Semester 2 Exams Week | |
| June 26 | Exam Review Day UHS Graduation Ceremony 2024 | |
| June 27 | PA Day (No Classes) | |
| June 28 | PA Day (No Classes) | |



Ten Tips To Prepare for Exams

With the secondary school exam period beginning, here are 10 tips to help students prepare for exams and manage stress:

1. Eat healthy, drink water and get plenty of sleep.

- 2. Take mind and body breaks. Schedule blocks of time for rest and activities that bring you joy. This could be exercise, time outside, extra-curricular activities, connecting with others or enjoying hobbies.
- 3. Maintain social connections and know who you can reach out to for support, including friends, family and school staff.
- 4. Create a realistic study plan. Schedule dedicated blocks of time without distractions.
- 5. There are lots of different ways to study. Use study techniques and exam preparation strategies that work for you.

6. Create a space for studying that works best for you.

- 7. Mental health and well-being is important. For students who feel anxious, there are lots of strategies to help you stay calm before, during and after exams. This could include mindfulness strategies, visualization, breathing exercises, positive thinking and more.
- 8. On the day of the exam, arrive early, review all the questions before you begin and read each question carefully.
- 9. Try different strategies and techniques to learn what works for you, and ask for help or support if you need it.
- 10. Practice positive and affirming self-talk before, during and after the exam, for example, "I am doing my best, I have got this, I am proud of myself/my studying, etc."

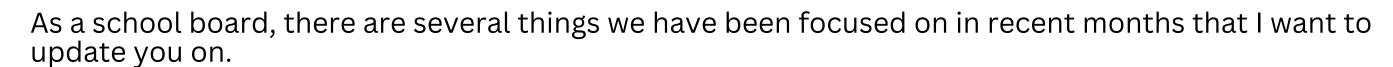


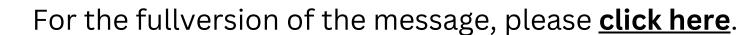




Message from Our Trustee: Ron Lynn, Markham Wards 2 and 6

It is hard to believe we are almost at the end of another school year. I hope that this has been a great school year for you and your child, and you continue to see evidence of your child's learning and engagement at school.









June 2024 Exam Schedule

We wanted to remind you that:

The last day of classes for **grade 12** courses is **Monday, June 17**. The last day of classes for **grade 9, 10 and 11** courses is **Tuesday, June 18**.

Exams for **grade 12** courses run from **Tuesday, June 18 to Monday, June 24**. Exams for **grade 9, 10 and 11** courses run from **Wednesday, June 19 to Tuesday, June 25**.

The order of exams will be as follows:

| Tuesday June 25 | Monday June 24 | Friday June 21 | Thurs June 20 | Wed Jun 19 | Tues June 18 |
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| Grade 9, 10, 11 Period 4 Exams | Period 3 Exams | Period 2 Exams | Period 1 Exams | Period 5 Exams | Grade 12 Period 4 Exams |

Students have been provided with access to the full list of exams occurring each day via their **gapps account**. This list provides all details including course code, teacher, room number, task type, duration, and start time.

Please speak to your child to review their exam schedule.

By appointment exams are arranged by the classroom teacher. Students who have "by appointment" exams should arrive 15 minutes prior and wait in the cafeteria.

After the "by appointment" exam is over, students are kindly asked to leave the premises. Students who have "by appointment" exams should not linger in corridors as other exams are in progress.

For those students enrolled in an **online learning course**, exams have been scheduled for **Thursday, June 13**, from **12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.** in the **library**. Ms. Sukdeo will be contacting these students to provide more details.

The schedule for Exam Review Day on Wednesday, June 26 will be as follows:

| Homeroom/Period 1 | 8:25 am-9:05 am |
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| Period 2 | 9:10 am-9:45 am |
| Period 3 | 9:50 am-10:25 am |
| Period 4 | 10:30 am-11:05 am |
| Period 5 | 11:10 am-11:45 am |

During exams, the cafeteria servery and library will be closed.

Students are expected to attend school only for the days/times when they have an exam. Students leave the premises when the exam is over. Students should make transportation arrangements accordingly.

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

Courses that do not have exams will not appear on the exam schedule. Parents with students in these courses should be aware that students are required to complete project based work in lieu of an exam activity. Teachers may arrange appointments to support students in completing this project work during exams.

If you have questions, please contact us at <u>unionville.hs@yrdsb.ca</u> or at 905-479-2787.

The UHS Administration





Borrowed Technology: Please Return to The Office

If you are a student with a **Chromebook and charger** that is currently in your possession. Please return the technology to **Maria D'Andrea** in the main office according to the following timelines below:

- If you no longer require the use of a Chromebook please return to the main office as soon as possible.
- If you require a Chromebook for your exams, please return on the day of your last exam OR Tuesday June 25, 2024.

Student Parking Pass Refunds

Please bring your Semester Two Green parking pass to Mrs. McIntyre in the Main Office after your last exam and no later than Exam Review Day on Wednesday June 26, 2024.

Once your assigned Semester Two Green parking pass is returned, you will receive your refund through **School Cash Online.**

If you were required to pay a replacement pass fee and have not paid it, the replacement fee amount will be deducted from your refund.

Congradulattion to Our Chess Team for the Bronze

"We would like to give a big congratulations to our Chess Team that played in the YRDSB Championships recently. Our team placed third overall and took home the Bronze. Congratulations to the team members: William Zhang, Anni Guo, Jim Chen, Riley Chen, Matthew Lam, Jayden Liu, Joshua Yang, Noah Chang, Eric Zhao, and Fiona Fang for their phenomenal performances! Go wolves!"







Adult Non-Credit English as a Second Language (ESL) Classes

Adult Non-Credit English as a Second Language (ESL) classes are available on an ongoing basis including the summer semester from June 17 to July 26, 2024. Online and in-person classes throughout York Region are available from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. & 6 to 9 p.m.

Please contact 905-731-9557 or <u>uplands@yrdsb.ca</u> for more info. Here is the <u>website</u>.

Program Registration - Indigenous Languages & International Languages Secondary Credit Courses (Grades 9 to 12)

Registration will open mid-July and will close the 3rd week of class. Remote learning will be in real-time using Google Classroom to deliver both synchronous and asynchronous learning opportunities.

We thank you for your ongoing support.

If you have any questions, please email ILIL@yrdsb.ca.

Scholarship







YRDSB - BFCN Scholarship Directory Relaunch, Scholarship Applications & Scholarship Workshop • BFCN Scholarship Directory

We are so happy to announce that **the BFCN Scholarship Directory** is finally back! We believe that education is one of the keys to success and that all youth should have the opportunity to advance their academic careers with further educational opportunities. Scholarships, bursaries and awards help make these goals more achievable by financially assisting students with the often inaccessible and high costs of post-secondary education. Please share widely with students and educators within your school board so we can reach as many **Black students** as possible who are interested in post-secondary education and are in need of financial support.

Click **here** to access **the 2024 BFCN Scholarship Directory**

bit.ly/BFCNScholarshipDirectory2024

BFCN Scholarship Application Workshop

BFCN will be hosting an online edition of the BFCN Scholarship Application Workshop on Friday, June 14th from 7 PM - 9 PM. This workshop is open to all Black students and their families regardless of school board affiliation. Please share this invitation widely and especially with Black youth who are currently in Grade 8 or high school.

Click **here** to register for **the BFCN Scholarship Application Workshop**

bit.ly/BFCNWorkshopJune14

• BFCN Scholarships & Awards

The 2024-2025 BFCN Scholarships & Awards application cycle is now live! BFCN will once again be awarding six \$1000 scholarships and awards to Black students pursuing post-secondary education in accredited Canadian institutions. All online applications and supporting documents must be submitted by July 31, 2024. For questions about the application process or to support the BFCN Scholarship Program please contact info@bfcn.ca.

• Click here to learn more and apply for the 13th Annual BFCN Scholarships

bit.ly/BFCNScholarships2024

• Click <u>here</u> to learn more and apply for the 10th Annual BFCN Aim 2 Achieve Awards

bit.ly/BFCNAim2AchieveAwards2024

The Markham Public Library's First Annual Family Pride Night

Join us for an evening of celebration, love, and acceptance at Family Pride Night! In honor of Pride Month, we're hosting an event that welcomes families of all shapes, sizes, and backgrounds to come together and embrace the spirit of diversity and inclusion.

Activities include:

- Button Making: Get creative and design your own pride-themed buttons
- Photobooth: Strike a pose with your loved ones in our photobooth
- Rainbow Storytime: Gather around for a storytime featuring tales of love and acceptance
- Resource Fair: Connect with local 2SLGBTQ+ organizations and resources at our resource fair to learn about support networks and community services available

Family Pride Night is a safe, welcoming, and inclusive space where everyone is encouraged to be their authentic selves and celebrate love in all its forms.

Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

- Date and Time: Wednesday June 26, 2024 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Location: Milliken Mills Library, 7600 Kennedy Rd., Markham ON. in the Program Room.
- Parking: Free parking is available outside of the library entrance and around the community centre.
- Event Schedule:

| 5:00 - 8:00 PM | Resource Fair Button Making Green Screen Photobooth Make Your Own Pride Flag Wall of Love |
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| 6:00 - 6:30 PM | Rainbow Storytime |
| 7:00 - 8:00 PM | Karaoke Night |
| 8:00 - 8:30 PM | Clean Up |

Here is the link for registration:

https://markham.bibliocommons.com/events/65d765b74c5c402f0040b Ocd

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YRES Volunteering Opportunities - June to August 2024

YRES (not-for-profit) is organizing several volunteering opportunities in June to August across York Region where volunteers will be engaged in administrative research tasks or working with children at different camps. Students will be able to develop data literacy, communication, collaboration, and/or leadership skills.

Please click the **Poster** for detailed and the **sign-up form** is **here**.





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www.markhampubliclibrary.ca







Attention: Grade 12 Students!

An Important Message About Your GAPPS Account:

This is a message for all graduates and any student leaving YRDSB at **the end of June 2024**. Students who wish to keep work that has been saved on the YRDSB Google Drive (GAPPS account) will need to download it no later than the end of July 2024. They will not have access to this account after this time.

Instructions on how to Download your Google Data:

- 1. Select the Google Apps and Services you want to export your data and documents from, and select the option to receive the file as a download via email (depending on the size of your Google account, this could take several hours). Use the .zip file option.
- 2. Once the Google Takeout email arrives, use the links to download your archived data and documents to the personal computer, USB/external drive and/or the personalGoogle Drivethat youwish.
- 3. You can "unzip" the archives and then upload the data and documents to a new personal Google Account or use the files and documents in Microsoft Office or other applications.

Need More Help? Support resources from Google are available on how to download your Google data.

Graduation Class of 2024 INSTAGRAM

We are inviting families and students of grade 12 students to join our UHS Wolves Class of 2024 Instagram for updates regarding celebrations for the graduating class of 2024.

Please follow follow uhswolvesclassof2024 ON <u>INSTAGRAM</u> and stay tuned for updates regarding prom and our graduation ceremony on Wednesday, June 26.



Diploma Pickup in July

FROM MONDAY, JULY 8, 2024 - THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2024 GRADUATES WILL BE ABLE TO PICK UP THEIR DIPLOMA AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT FROM THE MAIN OFFICE.

DIPLOMA PICK UP HOURS FOR THE MAIN OFFICE ARE:

MONDAY - THURSDAY 8:30AM - 2:30PM FRIDAYS CLOSED

WHEN COMING TO PICK UP YOUR DIPLOMA PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR STUDENT CARD FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO PICK UP YOUR DIPLOMA AND ARE SENDING A PARENT/GUARDIAN TO PICK UP THE DIPLOMA ON YOUR BEHALF YOU MUST EMAIL <u>UNIONVILLE.HS@YRDSB.CA</u> **NO LESS THAN 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE.** IN THE EMAIL, PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR NAME (LEGAL AND PREFERRED) AND STUDENT NUMBER, AS WELL AS, THE FULL NAME OF THE PERSON PICKING UP ON YOUR BEHALF. INDENTIFICATION WILL BE REQUIRED FOR YOUR PARENT/GUARDIAN TO PICK UP YOUR DIPLOMA.



Yearbook Updates

Due to printing errors, Unionville High School's 2023/24 Yearbook has been recalled. All students who have received a yearbook are asked to label it with their name and return it to the main office by the morning of Monday, June 17, 2024. Our intention is to distribute yearbooks, to those who have purchased them, by the end of this school year.

Today, in homeroom classes, students who purchased the yearbook received blank booklets. These blank booklets provide students with additional yearbook pages for signatures and messages to be captured and kept as future memories. Once the yearbook has been returned to students, these pages may be adhered to the book seamlessly.

We thank you for your patience and cooperation,

Your UHS Administrative Team



Library Information

June celebrates Canadians of Italian, Portuguese, and Filipino heritages. Learn more by borrowing one of these books from the UHS Library. Click titles for more information.

<u>Italian Canadian Internment in the Second World War</u> by Pamela Hickman

Growing Up in Italy by Peggy Parks

Where She Has Gone by Nino Ricci

Portugal by Dominic Ainsley

The High Mountains of Portugal by Yann Martel

Recipes from My Portuguese Kitchen by Miguel Silva Quintessential Filipino Cooking: 75 Authentic and Classic Recipes of the Philippines by

Liza Agbanlog

<u>Dancing the Tinikling</u> by Bobbie Peyton

The Farm: A Novel by Joanne Ramos

Philippines by Lily Tope

