



Unionville High School Weekly Parent Bulletin

June 21, 2024

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TECH REQUEST FORM – 2023-2024

CLUBS

GUIDANCE UPDATES

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
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)



2024 Graduation Ceremony

We are excited to celebrate the class of 2024 at our Graduation Ceremony on Wednesday, June 26th at the Venu Event Space.

Date: **Wednesday, June 26th, 2024**
Location: **The Venue Event Space**
Location Map: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/iqY9uYhCGuFFmdQu8>

Graduates and families are invited to review this newsletter with important reminders regarding the 2024 Graduation Ceremony: <https://bit.ly/uhsgrad2024>

Yearbook is Ready to Pick Up

We are pleased to inform you that the 2023-2024 yearbook is ready for pick-up for those that **have purchased a yearbook**. You may collect your yearbook from the **Guidance Office**.

Please present your **student id card** upon retrieving your yearbook.

We appreciate your patience and cooperation during the recall process. We hope you enjoy looking back on the memories of this special year.



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.

As a school board, there are several things we have been focused on in recent months that I want to update you on.

For the fullversion of the message, please [click here](#).



EXAM
SCHEDULE

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:

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

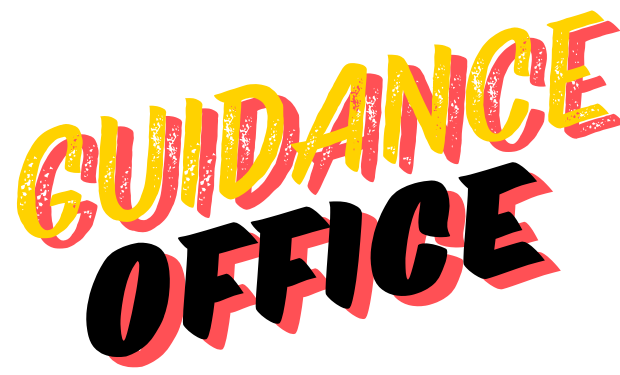
Students are expected to attend school only for the days/times when they have an exam. Students leave the premises when the exam is over. Students should make transportation arrangements accordingly.

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 unionville.hs@yrdsb.ca or at 905-479-2787.

The UHS Administration



YRDSB Aquatic Leadership Program

The Aquatic Leadership Program is offered in partnership between the York Region District School Board, Continuing Education, the Town of Aurora, and the Cities of Markham, Richmond Hill and Vaughan. The program uses a blended learning format consisting of pool instruction, face-to-face instruction and on-line learning to deliver Ministry of Education credits and Swim, Lifeguarding and Instructor Certifications.

Please click the link for more information:

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/school-programs-nav/school-programs/aquatic-leadership-program>
Aquatic Leadership Program | York Region District School Board

Click here for more details:



York Region District School Board and The Town of Aurora, The City of Markham, The City of Richmond Hill and the City of Vaughan
Aquatic Leadership Program – Part 1 Program Information and Dates – Fall 2024

	Town of Aurora Part 1 – PAQ201	City of Markham Part 1 – PAQ201	City of Richmond Hill Part 1 – PAQ201	City of Vaughan Part 1 – PAQ201
Location	Stromach Aurora Recreation Complex 1400 Wellington St. East Aurora, ON L4G 7B6 905-726-4779	Milliken Mills Community Centre 7600 Kennedy Rd Markham, ON L3R 9S5 905-477-6410	The Wave Pool 9 Hopkins St. Richmond Hill, ON L4C 0C1 905-883-9283	Dufferin Clark Community Centre 1441 Clark Ave. W. Thornhill, ON, L4J 7R4 905-883-8554
Course	Healthy Living and Aquatic Activities, Grade 10 Open (PAQ201) The Lifesaving Society's Bronze Medallion, Bronze Cross and Standard First Aid with CPR-C Certifications are embedded in the Ontario Curriculum.	Healthy Living and Aquatic Activities, Grade 10 Open (PAQ201) The Lifesaving Society's Bronze Medallion, Bronze Cross and Standard First Aid with CPR- C Certifications are embedded in the Ontario Curriculum.	Healthy Living and Aquatic Activities, Grade 10 Open (PAQ201) The Lifesaving Society's Bronze Medallion, Bronze Cross and Standard First Aid with CPR- C Certifications are embedded in the Ontario Curriculum.	Healthy Living and Aquatic Activities, Grade 10 Open (PAQ201) The Lifesaving Society's Bronze Medallion, Bronze Cross and Standard First Aid with CPR- C Certifications are embedded in the Ontario Curriculum.
Dates	Mondays and Wednesdays September 18, 2024 – January 15, 2025	Tuesdays and Thursdays September 24, 2024 – January 16, 2025	Mondays and Wednesdays September 18, 2024 – January 15, 2025	Tuesdays and Thursdays September 24, 2024 – January 16, 2025
Time	5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Pool and Classroom Dates	September 18, 23, 25, 30 October 2, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23 November 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27 December 2, 4, 9, 11, 16 January 8, 13	September 24, 26 October 1, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24 November 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28 December 3, 5, 10, 12, 17 January 9, 14	September 18, 23, 25, 30 October 2, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23 November 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27 December 2, 4, 9, 11, 16 January 8, 13	September 24, 26 October 1, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24 November 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28 December 3, 5, 10, 12, 17 January 9, 14
Remote Learning Only Dates	October 28, 30 November 4, 25 December 9, 18 January 6, 13	October 3, 29, 31 November 4, 25 December 19 January 7, 16	October 28, 30 November 4, 25 December 9, 18 January 6, 13	October 3, 29, 31 November 4, 25 December 19 January 7, 16
Eligibility	Participants must: • be 13 years of age • currently attend a Secondary School • be able to swim 400 metres	Participants must: • be 13 years of age • currently attend a Secondary School • be able to swim 400 metres	Participants must: • be 13 years of age • currently attend a Secondary School • be able to swim 400 metres	Participants must: • be 13 years of age • currently attend a Secondary School • be able to swim 400 metres
Cost	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
Registration	https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/school-programs-nav/school-programs/aquatic-leadership-program			

Join the 2024 Youth Empowerment Leadership Program

Mon Sheong Youth Group is thrilled Mon Sheong Youth Empowerment Leadership Program 2024 is now open for applications! This program is supported by RBC Foundation and is an incredible opportunity for youth to embark on a 7-month journey of personal growth and community impact.

Program Highlights:

- Leadership and Event Management Skills: Gain comprehensive skills through interactive workshops during summer.
- Mentorship: Receive guidance from experienced youth leaders.
- Hands-on Experience: Collaborate with like-minded peers in volunteering t fund-raising events and organizing the Lunar New Year Market.
- First-aid Training: Obtain essential first-aid skills through free certification course.
- Certificate upon Completion: Showcase your achievements with a certification.

Program Launch and Info Session:

- Date: Saturday, June 22, 2024
- Time: 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
- Location: Scarborough Mon Sheong Community & Volunteer Services Centre (2020 McNicoll Ave., Scarborough)

We will prioritize applicants who can attend most of the sessions. After application, all applicants will be invited to attend a virtual screening/interview session.

To save a seat for the info session or to apply directly to the program, please visit <https://forms.gle/vYCakscyHzqaUUA7>. Detailed schedule and further information about the program can also be found on our website www.msyg.ca.


Should you or your students have any questions, feel free to reach out at msyg@monsheong.org or 905-883-9288 ext. 3022

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 uplands@yrdsb.ca for more info. Here is the **website**.

FREE
Embark on an inspiring 7-month journey
of personal growth and community impact
for youth aged 16 to 30:



Program Schedule
2024
July – August
Leadership Development: Acquire leadership, event management, program coordination, marketing, and volunteer management skills through interactive workshops
September – December
Mentorship: Receive guidance from experienced youth leaders during monthly meetings
Event Shadowing: Hands-on experience in organizing events with like-minded peers
First-aid Training: Obtain essential first-aid skills

2025
January
Skill Showcase & Community Engagement: Demonstrate skills learned and contribute to the community by organizing a Lunar New Year Market
February
Program Finale: Celebrate the success and earn a certificate upon program completion

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Saturday, June 22, 2024 | 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Scarborough Community & Volunteer Services Centre
(2020 McNicoll Ave.)
  @monsheongyg
Enquires: msyg@monsheong.org / 905-883-9288 ext. 3022.



Detailed schedule and registration:
www.msyg.ca

Supported by:



Office Announcement

Sharing Professional Activity Day Plans

As per PPM 151, Administrators are required to electronically share their P.A. Day plans with parents/guardians and School Council Chair(s) and post a copy in a conspicuous place in the main office. P.A. Day plans are also posted on the Board's public website. For your convenience, a copy of the upcoming PA Day agenda are as the followings:

Date: June 27, 2024

Length: Full Day

Topic: Transition Planning and School Improvement Planning

Entity Hosting: All Secondary Schools

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): School Administration and Board based personnel

Description: School Teams will engage in School Improvement Planning, reflecting on the impact of strategies used during the year and their impact on student outcomes.

Date: June 28, 2024

Length: Full Day

Topic: Transition and School Improvement Planning

Entity Hosting: All Secondary Schools

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): School Administration and Board based personnel

Description: School Teams will engage in School Improvement Planning, reflecting on the impact of strategies used during the year and their impact on student outcomes.

Please Return



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** on Exam Review Day on **Wednesday June 26, 2024 after your last class**. The City of Markham parking enforcement will continue to monitor the parking lots until the last day of school.

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.

LIBRARY

Library Information

Library resources will remain available for students throughout the summer. Click links below.

Ebooks and audiobooks are available through [Sora](#). Students sign in using 0 followed by their student number.

The [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.





Let's Talk Science Design Engineering Challenge Project of Distinction

Congratulations to Deethya Medavarapu for having one of the top 10 projects of distinction at the Let's Talk Science Design Engineering Challenge facilitated by Ms. Chung. Students incorporated coding and design engineering to develop an energy efficient and sustainable model home. Their projects will be featured on social media for Canada Innovation Week and on the showcase section of the Let's Talk Science website launching in the fall.

Check out the [project video link](#)



Congradulation 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!"



Volunteer

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](#).



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 [here](#) 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
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/65d765b74c5c402f0040b0cd>

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."

For more details, please click [here](#) (YRDSB website)

FAMILY Pride NIGHT

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REGISTER NOW



Graduation

GRADE 12

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 personal Google Drive that you wish.
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.

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 UNIONVILLE.HS@YRDSB.CA **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. IDENTIFICATION WILL BE REQUIRED FOR YOUR PARENT/GUARDIAN TO PICK UP YOUR DIPLOMA.

