

### **TECH REQUEST FORM – 2022-2023**

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**GUIDANCE UPDATES** 

"Integrity is doing the right thing, even when no one is watching." – C.S. Lewis

### **Upcoming Events**

DATE	EVENT
MONDAY, JUNE 12	AU Music Banquet 5:30pm - 9:30pm
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14	AU Celebration 6:30pm - 8:30pm
JUNE 14 - 16	EQAO Math
FRIDAY, JUNE 16	Last day for Grade 12 Classes
MONDAY, JUNE 19	Grade 12 Exams Begin
TUESDAY, JUNE 20	Last Day for Grade 9-11 Classes
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21	Grade 9-11 Exams Begin
TUESDAY, JUNE 27	Graduation 6:00pm - 8:00pm
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28	Exam Review Day
THURSDAY, JUNE 29	Eid-ul-Adha
FRIDAY, JUNE 30	P.A. DAY (No Classes)

### Yearbook Pick Up



Attention to all students who purchased a yearbook but haven't picked it up, please go to room 114 in the Tech Wing after the bell at 3:05pm on Monday to collect your copy. We will be open until 3:30 pm for yearbook pickup.

For students who have already picked up their yearbook, kindly check the bottom of the front cover for a student's name embossed in silver. A personalized copy was accidentally given out. If you have it, please return it to the main office.

If you missed the opportunity to buy a copy and would like to get one, an announcement will be made if extra copies become available for purchase.

Thank you to all students, families, and staff for your support in making the UHS 2022-23 Yearbook a success!

~ The Yearbook Committee

### From This Week's Communication

Anti-Racism for Families 101

<u>Girls Inc. of York Region Summer Camp – July-August 2023</u>

<u>Special Edition Newsletter – May/June 2023</u>

<u>Tune In YRDSB – Monthly Wrap-Up and Calendaring Report</u>

### Locker Clean Out

Locker cleanout will run according to the schedule below during period 5 on Friday, June 16.

- An announcement will be made prior to the release of your class.
- Please remind students that they should be returning textbooks to you no later than at your final exam (or if there is no final exam, on the last day of classes prior to the exam period)
  Ask students to discard any food that they may have stored in their lockers.
  Caretaking will have garbage bins available in the hallways.

- Please encourage students to return promptly to their classes according to the scheduled times.
- 2:00pm 2:10pm: Grade 9 Classes
- 2:15pm 2:25pm: Grade 10 Classes
- 2:30pm 2:40pm: Grade 11 Classes
- 2:45pm 2:55pm: Grade 12 Classes
- Many thanks for your cooperation.
- Admin Team

### **Parking Pass Reminder**

Attention Students,

All students with a second semester parking pass (Blue) please return your parking pass by **Friday, June 16, 2023.** You can do this by returning the pass to **Mrs. Dudani in the main office.** You will be reimbursed your deposit upon returning your parking pass via School Cash Online.





### Have a safe, fun-filled summer!

### See you in September.



Please click here for letter notice from Chartwells School Dining. The Cafeteria's last day of operation is Friday, June 16, 2023.

### The Unionville House Project: Architecture Over Time

The Grade 10 AU Visual Arts class will be exhibiting **The Unionville House Project: Architecture over time** at the Fred Varley Gallery from **June 6th-18th**. All are welcome to come to the opening reception on Friday, June 9th from 4:00pm-5:00pm. This exhibit was created in association with Glasstronomy Studios and it features an art installation of metal and glass condominium towers. Each window in the tower showcases local historic and modern architecture that has been rendered in fused glass. This exhibit is a lead up and in conjunction with the Grade 10 AU coloured pencil crayon drawings of the Unionville House.

### Culminating/Exam Dates

The last day of Grade 12 classes is Friday, June 16. Grade 12 exams begin on Monday, June 19 and run until Friday, June 23.

The last day of classes for Grades 9, 10, and 11 is **Tuesday, June 20**. Exams for grades 9, 10 and 11 begin on **Wednesday, June 21** and run until **Tuesday, June 27.** 

Grade 12 exams begin early to ensure that all grade 12 marks are submitted prior to graduation.

#### All students are expected to be present for their culminating/exam tasks taking place during the exam schedule.

**June 28** is exam review day. Attendance is taken on this day. This day is usually run as a condensed schedule (i.e. shortened periods) where students have the opportunity to see their final culminating/exam task results.

Monday, June 19	Grade 12 Period 3 – start times vary
Tuesday, June 20	Grade 12 Period 4 - start times vary
Wednesday, June 21	Grades 9, 10, 11, 12 - Period 5 - 9:00 AM
Thursday, June 22	Grades 9, 10, 11, 12 – Period 1 – 9:00 AM
Friday, June 23	Grades 9, 10, 11, 12 – Period 2 – 9:00 AM
Monday, June 26	Grades 9, 10, 11 – Period 3 – 9:00 AM

Please click this link to access the Semester 2 Exam Schedule for the 2022-2023 school year.

### Grade 11 Students Writing Grade 12 Exams

Teachers have been notified about grade 11 students who will be writing grade 12 exams on June 19 and 20.

Please note that exam start times vary on these days (i.e. they may not coincide with the regular schedule).

Also, the exam duration will exceed 75 minutes, so students will not be able to arrive at their subsequent class on time.

Our office staff will rectify any attendance issues that arise as a result of grade 11 students writing grade 12 exams.

Please be advised that parental consent is required for grade 11 students who will not be attending grade 11 classes on a grade 12 exam day.

Grade 11 students are NOT permitted to 'skip' their grade 11 classes while remaining on school property outside of their grade 12 exam.

#### Other Scenarios

There are NO grade 12 classes after Friday, June 16. Grade 12 graduating students who do not have exams on June 19 and 20 should stay home and study/prepare/work on culminating tasks.

Grade 11 students who take some grade 12 courses and who do not have exams on June 19 and 20 may sit in the cafeteria or library for the grade 12 period when there is no class.

If the grade 12 course is in period one or five, the grade 11 student may arrive late to school (in time for period two) or leave early (after period four).

Students who are grade 12 by age but who are not graduating and who are taking courses in other grades should be attending their non-grade 12 classes on June 19 and 20.

### 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, 2023*. Students who wish to keep work that has been saved on the YRDSB Google Drive (GAPPS account) will need to download it as soon as possible - **no later than the end of July 2023**. 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.

### **Technology Return**

If you have borrowed a Chromebook from the school, please remember to return to the main office by the end of school year. Grade 12 students, please return by the last day of class June 16, 2023 if you do not need it for exam. Grade 9 to 11 students, please return by the last day of class June 20, 2023 if you do not need it for exam.

### Library Items:

June is <u>National Indigenous History Month</u>. Learn more by attending an evening with Drew Hayden Taylor. This is an online event provided by the Markham Public Library. Drew Hayden Taylor is an "award-winning Ojibway playwright, journalist, writer, filmmaker, and stand-up comedian," and he will be speaking about contemporary Indigenous storytelling. The event is **June 14 from 7:00-8:00pm**. Registration is required and space is limited. Click this <u>link</u> for more information and to register.

### **Upcoming Program at MPL:**

Plain Tea & Murukku - <u>Sun | June 11 | 3 PM | Aaniin</u>

Knitting Circle - <u>Sun | June 11 | 1 PM | Markham Village</u>

Tips & Fun with Math - <u>G1-2 | June 12 | 4:30 PM | ZOOM - G7-8 | June 12 | 5 PM | ZOOM</u>

Contemporary Indigenous Storytelling with Drew Hayden Taylor - <u>Wed | June 14 | 7 PM | ZOOM</u>

Travel to Japan Fundamentals - Wed June 14 5 PM ZOOM

### 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?

<u>What do you need to Graduate?</u> – Click the link to see what courses and requirements you will need to graduate.



### 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, <u>please click here</u> for our Instagram page.

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose." – Dr. Seuss

### **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 June 19 when 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: <u>https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca</u>/ and email Ms. Kyriopoulos (<u>effie.kyriopoulos@yrdsb.ca</u>) for more information.

### 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 <u>Canada Homestay Network</u> and <u>MLI Homestay</u> offer additional information online. These opportunities are available broadly to YRDSB staff, and members of school communities

### 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 <u>newsletters page</u> to see them all, or check out the latest from:

- <u>Centre for Black Student Excellence</u>
- Math and Math Problems of the month
- Mental Health
- <u>Parent, Family & Community Engagement</u>
  "<u>The Special Edition</u>" Exceptional Learning Strengths and Needs Newsletter

### Culturally Responsive Mental Health & Wellbeing Services for Students & Families

Please click <u>here</u> for flyer.

### Summer School:

Summer school registration is now open and will close June 9th. 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 students must be in the province of Ontario in order to attend any online course.

Click <u>here</u> for Summer School Registration Information

1) Log into <u>MyBluePrint / MyPathwayPlanner</u> using your student GAPPS login.

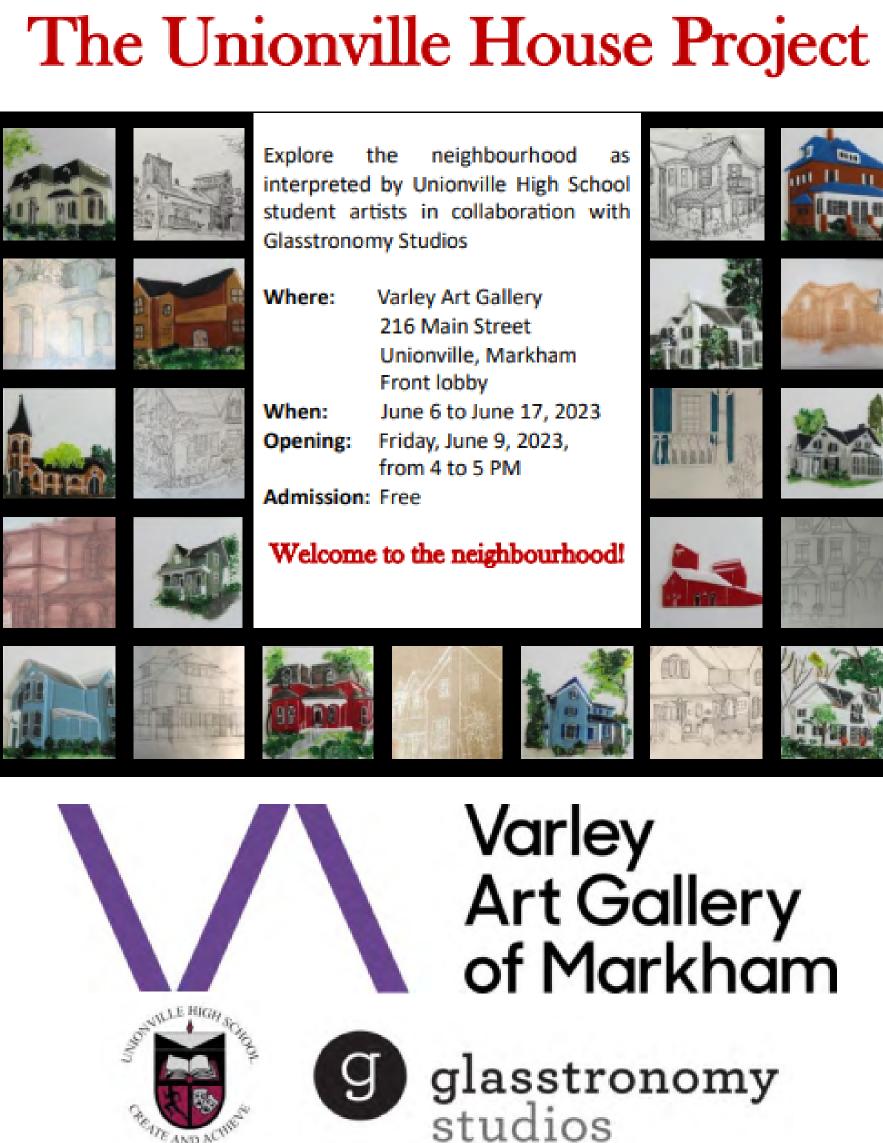
2) Click on the CONTINUING EDUCATION tab on the left column.

3) Click on the EXPLORE COURSES button.

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.

5) Select the course you wish to register for by clicking on the button SUBMIT.

6) \*No Sign Off Forms are required\*



# **Promoting Racial Literacy in Schools** Differences That Make A Difference with Dr. Howard C. Stevenson



Parents/guardians and students are invited to attend a virtual workshop with Dr. Howard C. Stevenson, author of Promoting Racial Literacy in Schools: Differences That Make a Difference. Join the conversation on how



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to help children learn healthier ways to resolve racial stress. All participants in this FREE workshop must RSVP using the link below.



### **Register here**

Presented by Inclusive School and Community Services Workshop funded through the Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant

### PROMOTING RACIAL LITERACY IN SCHOOLS Difference That Make

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#### **HOWARD C. STEVENSON**

# Message from Our Trustee

Dear families,

As we approach the end of the school year and the start of the summer break, I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for helping to make this school year a positive one. This is our first school year since 2018-2019 that has not been interrupted by closures as a result of COVID-19, and it has been such a pleasure to visit schools and school events over the past few months and see students, staff and families connecting and learning together.

I think it's important to acknowledge the effect the pandemic has had on students; and we have made it a priority to put supports in place for student learning, achievement, mental health and well-being. We also continue to work hard to create safe, inclusive and caring learning environments where our students know and feel that they matter and belong.

June is also a time when we look ahead to transitions - students moving ahead to new grades, new schools and new adventures. Thank you to the school staff who support students through these transitions. Congratulations to all of our graduating students moving on to secondary school or post-secondary pathways. We are so proud of all that you have achieved, class of 2023, and wish you all the very best in what comes next.

I also want to acknowledge all that you have done, as family members, to support your child and our schools - whether that's asking your child about their learning, communicating with their educators, attending school events, reading the information that comes home from the school, sharing feedback, completing surveys, tracking down library books, volunteering on field trips and in the classroom, participating in school councils, and so much more. We are grateful for all of the ways you support your child's learning and our public education system.

Communicating with families remains an important priority for us. I have had the pleasure of meeting and connecting with many families throughout the school year and appreciate how important it is that we remain connected to you. In addition to communication from your child's school, there are also many ways you can stay connected with what is happening in the Board, including our newsroom, Twitter, Instagram and award-winning podcast. We were also very pleased to launch this year the Centre for Black Student Excellence Mailing List for families looking to receive information directly related to supporting Black students, celebrating Black excellence and dismantling anti-Black racism.

As we approach the summer, we look forward to welcoming students who will be participating in our variety of elementary and secondary summer learning programs. I wish everyone a happy, safe and restful summer break.

Ron Lynn

Trustee, Markham Wards 2 and 6

## Indigenous Trustee Greeting

June 2023

Aaniin (Hello), I am Indigenous Trustee for the York Region District School Board and a member of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, the only First Nation in York Region and one you may recognize YRDSB acknowledging as their "partner in education" when providing land acknowledgements.

I would like to offer greetings for the month of June, the month when we recognize and celebrate the Indigenous People of Canada, our unique status as Canadians, our history on this land and our many significant contributions. In 1996, Governor General Romeo LeBlanc declared June 21 as National Aboriginal Peoples Day. He said, "On June 21st, this year and every year, Canada will honour the native peoples who first brought humanity to this great land." In 2017, the name was formally changed, and we now recognize this day as National Indigenous Peoples Day.

June 21 was chosen because it is summer solstice, a time of spiritual significance for Indigenous people. It is a time when the sun is at the highest point in the sky and we experience the longest day of the year, and the most amount of daylight. This is considered powerful medicine and is a time for practicing ceremonies that honour our interconnection with the land and the cosmos.

The Anishinaabe also recognize June as the month of the Strawberry moon, Ode'min Giizis. The beautiful red heart shaped strawberry offers us the teaching of reconciliation and forgiveness. It is the first berry of the season that brings us that sweetness for life. June offers us many special gifts and much to be grateful for.

People ask what they can do to celebrate Indigenous People Day and as Canadians support Indigenous people in Canada?

We can build our awareness by reading Indigenous books, listening to Indigenous podcasts, and attending Indigenous events. We can create positive change and promote public awareness by lending our support to Indigenous issues. We can also offer land acknowledgements as we do at the beginning of meetings and events in the YRDSB. However, I believe most importantly to Indigenous people across this planet is to recognize our right to reclaim and practice our Indigenous languages and the important significance of the earth under our feet. Our traditional knowledge and our cultures exist in our languages and without the opportunity to learn them in our schools and speak them in our communities much of our ancestral knowledge will be lost forever.

Further, recognizing Indigenous relationship with the land and taking the time to build land awareness and connection is imperative. We must practice environmental stewardship and protect our greenspaces. Walk in nature, plant, or hug a tree, help a turtle across the road, sing to the water, just be with the land. It does little to offer a land acknowledgement if we do not acknowledge the earth on which we live. The earth is our mother, this is why we call her "Mother Earth" in our Anishinaabe creation stories. We are extrinsically interconnected; without her we would not exist. As her children we must care for her and protect her. Stand with Indigenous people by honouring her, this is the most important land acknowledgement you can give.

Chi-Miigwech and Happy Indigenous People's Day!

Your Indigenous Trustee, Lauri Hoeg

This is a good resource and activity guide for students.



# What is ABA & Tips On Choosing ABA Services (June 2023)

This workshop, offered in partnership with members of the behaviour support team of Mackenzie Health, will discuss Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA) services for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder.



They will also share information about what to look for when selecting your ABA services, to allow you to make informed decisions for your child. There will also be general information on the Ontario Autism Program and the new Core Clinical Services.

Time will also be allocated for a Q&A session after the presentation. To register for:

June 13, 2023 - <u>click here</u>





#### About us

York Support Services Network offers a range of developmental services and mental health programs throughout York Region and South Simcoe. yssn.ca

#### Details

**Date:** June 13, 2023 **Time:** 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

**Location:** Virtual

(link will be provided when you register)

### Who should attend?

Families/caregivers with children with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder and are registered with The Ontario Autism Program (OAP).

### To register or for more

### information:

Visit us online: <u>vssn.ca/Events</u> Call: 905-898-6455 or toll free 1-866-257-9776 ext. 2574



# PARENTING STRATEGIES FOR A SUCCESSFUL SUMMER BREAK!

### Let's talk about it!

Kids don't come with an instruction manual! Many familiar parenting problems have very simple solutions that can be applied with some effort and focus. Triple P's easy-to-understand and practical strategies have been shown to help families in all types of situations.

### June 13, 2023 | 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

We welcome parents, guardians, caregivers and community members to attend this virtual session!

This session will focus on how to ensure a safe and engaging environment for children with strategies to:

- how parents may get "trapped" in escalations and power struggles;
- understanding various traps ways to avoid these traps and develop age appropriate and do-able strategies; and
- how parents can have a successful, stress free summer break

Facilitator: Uma Bhatt, R.S.W. York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families



### **<u>Register</u>** Today!

This free parent presentation is brought to you in a collaborative partnership with York Region District School Board and York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families.

> For more information contact: Oksana Majaski, Community & Partnership Developer, YRDSB Oksana.majaski@yrdsb.ca

### <u>Register Here</u>





# Virtual Black Parent/Guardian Workshop Series

2023 Summer Program

Is your child a YRDSB student? Is your child transitioning to Grade 9 or 10? Is your child registered in the Come Up Program? Does your child self-identify as Black?

Join us for a workshop series on navigating the secondary school system.

### Session # 1 - Tuesday, June 27, 2023, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Understanding the Secondary System

(Structure, Rights, Policies, Attendance, Credit Recovery, IEPs and more)

### Session # 2 - Tuesday, July 11, 2023, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Supporting your Child (Mental Health Supports, Tips and Strategies)

Families of all students for the summer school program will receive registration information for the Black Parent/ Guardian Workshop Series via email once student registration is complete.



For more information email: TheComeUP@yrdsb.ca

# YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES

APR-JUN 2023

# SPRING Programs



Hong Fook Youth and Family Services

Programs and services offered April to June 2023

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APR-JUN 2023





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

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### **Club Info**

Club Name	Contact
Architecture	Zach Layton
Arts Council	Shane Clodd
Artisans Club	<u>Jessica Li</u>
Badminton Club	<u>Jonathan Tam</u> - <u>Ivan Wong</u>
Black Excellence	<u>Sara Faulkner</u> - <u>Zach Teitel</u> - <u>Beckey Serwaa</u>
Board Games Club	<u>Brooke Semoff</u>
Book Club	<u>Celeste Lawton</u>
Business & Sports	<u>Neil Sareen</u>
Charis Christian Club	<u>Peter Lansing</u>
Chess Club	<u>Jessica Deluca-Kurek</u>
Chinese Culture Club	<u>Shan-Chen Yu</u>
Community Council	James Campbell
Computer Science Club	<u>Raymond Do</u>
Cooking Club	<u>Anna DiLorenzo</u>
Dance Council	<u>Melissa Bettio</u> - <u>Kathleen Major</u>
Debate Club	<u>Megan Woo</u>
DECA	<u>Kuo Pan</u> - <u>Wes Guldemond</u> - <u>Neil Sareen</u>
Desi Student Association	<u>Arora Angad Singh</u>

Dramatic Arts Council	Laz Geronikolos
Eco-Council	Michael Johnston
Film Club	<u>Lauren Fridman</u> - <u>Shiraz Rafik</u> - <u>Zach Layton</u>
Gender & Sexuality Alliance	<u>Sara Faulkner</u> - <u>Zach Teitel</u>
Guitar Ensemble	<u>Niloufar Barazesh</u>
Historical Club	Laura Fong
Jazz Band	<u>Niloufar Barazesh</u>
K-Pop Club	<u>Kathleen Major</u>
Light Music Club	<u>Jennifer Porter</u>
Math Club	<u>Daniela Panacci</u>
Med Club	<u>Henry Wang</u>
Mock Trial	<u>Nathan Struk</u>
Muslim Students Association	<u>Farhan Baig</u>
Narrative Arts Club	<u>Shiraz Rafik</u>
Newcomers Club	<u>Keyan Wu</u> - <u>Brooke Semoff</u>
Philisophical Studies Club	<u>Laura Fong</u>
Prom Committee	<u>Zafirah Damji</u> - <u>Daniela Panacci</u> - <u>Melissa Bettio</u>
Robotics	<u>Brian Cho</u> - <u>Andrew Dennis</u> <u>Raymond Do</u> - <u>David De Paolis</u>
Science Club	<u>Elaine Howard</u> - <u>Jeffrey Chan</u>
Shalom Unionville	Zach Teitel
Show Choir	<u>Melissa Bettio</u> - <u>Julia Fong</u> - <u>Michelle Teh</u>
Soccer Club	<u>Mathew Himelson</u>
Social Justice Club	<u>Felicia Sukdeo</u> - <u>Jennifer Porter</u>
Special Events Club	<u>Zafirah Damji</u> - <u>Susan Sun</u>
STEM Beyond	<u>Georgina Mantelos</u>
Table Tennis Club	<u>Jeffrey Chan</u>
Tamil Students Association	<u>Sharma Sharma</u>
Target Alpha	<u> Mathew Himelson</u> - <u>Wes Guldemond</u>
Wellness Club	<u>Michelle Farwell</u>
Writers Club	Zach Layton
Unionville Howl	<u>Keyan Wu</u>
Voice Acting Club	<u>Stephanie Taylor</u>
Yoga Club	Jennifer Zamperin
Zoology	<u> Yiu Lun Leung</u> - <u>Daniel Dietrich</u>