



# P A R E N T BULLETIN

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### March 26

AMR20 classes to Music Alive Festival at New-market Theatre 8:30 am to 1:00 pm

### March 27

Lockdown Drill 10:30 am

### March 28

Parent/Teacher Interviews  
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Prom Assembly at large Gym  
11:15 am to 12:30 pm

Dog Therapy  
Period 4

### March 30

Good Friday (no school)

### April 2

Easter Monday - no school

### April 3

AV1101 class to ROM

Staff meeting  
3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

### April 5

Canadian Team Mathematics Competition -  
University of Waterloo 8:45 am -10:15 am

### Parking Information for Parent - Teacher Interviews

Please park in the Unionville High School parking lot or the Civic Centre parking lot for this evening. There is an event taking place at the Flato theatre.

### Dog Therapy

Our next "Paws & Relax" Dog Therapy visit will be this Wellness Wednesday of March 28! Come visit our furry friends in room 216 during Period 4. It is a first-come-first-serve basis and donations towards the St. John's Ambulance Dog program are kindly appreciated.



Check out the latest school announcements by following us on twitter [@UHSupdates](https://twitter.com/UHSupdates)



# PARENT BULLETIN

## OSSLT Preparation

### **OSSLT Letter**

The OSSLT letter were distributed to all students that (i) are writing the OSSLT, (ii) are being deferred to next year, or (iii) are being exempted.

If your child did not received the letter, please contact Mr. Fung, literacy teacher, in the main office.

### **OSSLT preparation workshop**

There will be (4) OSSLT preparation workshop during period 4. Each workshop will have their own theme. The date and theme are as follow:

Mar 26: Reading Strategy

Mar 28: Multiple Choice Strategy

Apr 4: Short Writing Tasks

Apr 6: Long Writing Tasks

Interested student should sign up for the workshop they want to attend. To sign up, please click the following link: <https://goo.gl/YXqVnp> (sign in to students' gapps account required)

Light lunch will be provided for students who are in the workshop.

## Summer School

Summer School information is now available on the YRDSB website. Career Cruising will be open for registration on April 3rd. Please make sure you print off the registration form, have your parent / guardian and hand it in to Guidance for approval immediately. For students interested in an e-learning summer course, you must first make an appointment with your alpha counselor on order to register.



# PARENT BULLETIN

## Guidance News

### Course Verifications

On Tuesday March 20<sup>th</sup>, students received their course verification form in their homeroom classes. Students that do not have a homeroom class were able to pick up their form from the Main office. Please carefully review the courses that your child has selected for the 2018-2019 school year. You may want to re-visit the UHS course calendar at [unionville.hs.yrdsb.ca](http://unionville.hs.yrdsb.ca) when reviewing their choices.

**If your son/daughter is satisfied with his/her choices, he/she may keep the form and no further action is required.**

If your son/daughter would like to change his/her request, please follow the steps outlined on the reverse side of the verification form. Once complete, please sign the form and have your son/daughter return the form to the Guidance office no later than **Tuesday March 27, 2018**. It is very important that students consider their selections very carefully to ensure availability of courses. Once classes begin, in both semesters 1 and 2, course changes will be processed

On Wednesday April 11<sup>th</sup>, period 4 in the Library, UHS is hosting a post-secondary financial planning presentation provided by Seneca College. Topics covered will include bursaries, scholarships and OSAP.

Grade 12 students interested in attending this presentation are asked to sign up using the [bit.ly](http://bit.ly) link below (please ensure that they are logged into their school gapps account and not their personal Google account).

**The deadline to sign up is Tuesday April 10<sup>th</sup>.**

<http://bit.ly/2FOC5RN>

A permission form will be emailed to the student once he/she completes the on-line Google form. **A parent/guardian must sign it if they are not 18 years of age and then:**

**Step 1:** the student must show the form to their teacher if he/she is missing a period 4 class.

**Step 2:** Bring the form to the library as this will be his/her ticket into the presentation confirming his/her attendance.

For more information, students may visit the Guidance office.

## York Region Skills Competition (March 1, 2018)

Congratulations to the entire UHS Skills team for representing UHS at the York Region Skills Competition last week (March 1st) and this week (March 6th). In my opinion the team was outstanding. From the feedback I have gathered, the students had a wonderful experience competing against other students from other schools.

Worth noting: UHS won the most medals (including the most Gold) by a high school, a record held by UHS for the past 5 years.

### Medals to note for 2018:

Silver medal for Prepared Speech - **Tiffany Elefano**

Bronze medal for Job Interview - **Cynthia Wang**

Bronze medal for Graphic Design Studio - **Renee Gostlin**

Bronze medal for 2D Animation - **Melody Duncan**  
and **Sasha Tarassova**

Bronze medal for Carpentry (Individual) - **Matthew Yu**

Silver medal for Carpentry (Individual) - **Samual Persaud**

Gold medal for Graphic Design Studio - **Rachael Ng**

Gold medal for TV/Video - **Elizabeth Boyd** and **Kyle Hentschel**

Gold medal for 2D Animation - **Amber Ou** and **Jocelyn Ngan**

Gold medal for 3D Animation - **Emily** and **Grace Crawford**

Bronze medal for Robotics - **Michael Jiang, Alvin Chan, Yi Ti Jiang, Tony Hung, Kevin Chen, Horace Looi, Jerry Chen, Johnny Wu, Yi Ling Soh, Kaye Fung,** and **Eva Xie**



The Gold medalist and some of the silver medalists will be going on to the Ontario Skills Qualifying competition on April 7<sup>th</sup>, and/or the Ontario Skills Technological Competition (OTSC) on May 8<sup>th</sup> held in Toronto. In addition, UHS will also be sending students, to the above provincial competitions, in the following areas: *Robotics and Control Systems / Baking / Electronics / Website Design / IT Software Applications / and Computer Programming*

Thank you to the following teachers giving up so much of your precious time to invest in our students and for teaching them valuable skills for their future as well as to compete in competitions like YRSC.

Thanks to Ms. McMillan, Mr. Cho, Mr. Poulsson, Mr. Kotsopoulos, Mr. Berridge, Mr. Wood, Ms. Cheung, Ms. Gardham, Mr. Clodd, Mr. Papa, and Ms. Minos, for your students and support.

Also special thanks you to thanks to Ms. Sun, Mr. Fung, Mr. Wood, and Mr. Cho for helping and supervising the UHS Robotics team. Final thanks to Ms. McMillan for taking on the UHS Skills Coordinator role and organizing the entire UHS team

### UHS Robotics Team note:

Special thanks to our community sponsors from the UHS Robotics Team. We could not have completed our robots without your financial assistance and services this year.

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# Summer Learning Youth Innovation By Design



## Description

**Youth Innovation By Design** focuses on ways in which innovators identify problems, see them as opportunities, generate ideas, and organize resources to develop and take successful solutions forward into the world, both for-profit and not-for-profit. Students will be encouraged to use a variety of design thinking techniques, including the Innovation, Creativity, and Entrepreneurship (ICE) Toolkit to develop and grow their ideas. They will consider the ethical and legal implications of decisions, the breadth of roles in innovation culture as well as related financial literacy and sustainability models. In support of both group and individualized projects, students will be introduced to, and taught how to connect with, local and global ecosystems. Student learning throughout the course will be supported by guest speakers and mentors provided through a pilot collaboration with York University's YSpace Markham and Innovation York.

Information and Videos at:  
[bit.ly/YouthInnovation](http://bit.ly/YouthInnovation)

Offered with two different credit options for YRDSB students only:

**IDC4U** (Gr. 12 University Preparation)

Prerequisite: Any university or university/college preparation course in social sciences and humanities, English, or Canadian and world studies

**IDC4O** (Gr. 12 Open)

Prerequisite: None



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## Dates and Location

**YSpace**  
Markham

This course will be delivered at 169 Enterprise Blvd, Markham (third floor) in York University's YSpace Markham.

Summer school programs will be held from July 4th-27th, 2018 between 8:45 a.m. to 3:33 p.m.



## Are you an SHSM student?

Through this summer learning, you can achieve:

**REACH AHEAD  
CERTIFICATION**

## BEFORE REGISTERING ON CAREER CRUISING, YOU NEED TO CONFIRM:

- ☐ that you have a transportation plan for getting to YSpace Markham
- ☐ which credit you are applying for: IDC4U or IDC4O
- ☐ that you do not already have a grade 12 IDC/IDP (Interdisciplinary Course) on your transcript
- ☐ that you have not selected to take a grade 12 IDC/IDP (Interdisciplinary Course) for next year

**Registration Opens April 3rd on Career Cruising**

