



# Unionville High School Weekly Parent Bulletin

**May 17, 2024**

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TECH REQUEST FORM – 2023-2024

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GUIDANCE UPDATES

Character Matters Trait of the Month: Fairness

“Fairness is not an attitude. It's a professional skill that must be developed and exercised.”  
— Brit Hume

Upcoming Events

DATE	EVENT
May 20	Victoria Day (No Classes)
May 22	Arts Unionville Music Recital - UHS (6:30 p.m.) - UHS Atrium
May 30	UHS Prom
June 5	Arts Show Jazz Cafe (6 p.m.)

## EXAM SCHEDULE

June 2024 Exam Schedule

Monday, June 17	Tuesday, June 18	Wednesday, June 19	Thursday, June 20	Friday, June 21	Monday, June 24	Tuesday, June 25	Wednesday, June 26
Last day of class for Grade 12 Courses	Grade 12 Period 4 Exams  Last day of class for Grade 9, 10, and 11 Courses	All Period 5 Exams	All Period 1 Exams	All Period 2 Exams	All Period 3 Exams	Grade 9, 10, and 11 Period 4 Exams	Exam Review Day (modified schedule)



All students must write their exam on the designated day. A detailed schedule is forthcoming next week.





## UHS SPIRIT

### UHS School Board Council Tech Update

#### iMac School Upgrades - Investing in Our Students

Thanks to the incredible generosity of the UHS family, we've raised \$4,050.95 in donations, and our Bubble Tea Fundraiser brought in an additional \$1,707.59! 29 brand-new iMac computers were ordered, each costing \$1,698.44, to enhance our students' learning experience. However, our journey doesn't end here. To ensure that every student benefits from this technological upgrade, we need your continued support in order to reach our goals.

### UHS School Council Chair: Invest In The Students' Future

Dear UHS Families,  
Publicly funded schools benefit from our support, whether it is our time volunteering or directly through financial contributions. Our generosity has a direct impact on the type of high-quality educational resources and unique activities that Unionville High School can offer our students to support their development, interests, and talents. This year we hope to raise enough funds to upgrade our outdated computers that students learn and rely on. We ask you to take a moment to consider investing in our school, demonstrating the value of community involvement, and taking pride in supporting UHS for the benefit and enrichment of all our students. <https://yrdsb.schoolcashonline.com/>

Anoosh Sharif  
Chair, School Council UHS

For the easy 5 steps to donate and the Mandarin translation: **UHS School Council Invest in Our Students.**

### WE Newsletter Spring 2023-2024

Great news! The interview **Peter S.** was featured in the Work Experience Newsletter and happened to arrive on his (school) birthday! We are so proud of him.

For the whole interview, please see the **WE Newsletter Spring 2023-2024**



### UHS School Council Update

#### iMac School Upgrade - Invest In Our Students

**UHS family donations to date: \$ 4050.95**

**Bubble Tea Fundraiser: \$ 1707.59**

**Each iMac computer cost: \$ 1698.44**

**29 iMac computers ordered!**

*Please help us purchase more computers for our students*

Enrichment funds from donations help upgrade current technology that is outdated at Unionville High School.

Please consider donating to help enrich and support your child's education

5 Easy steps to donate and the amount \$25 or more will receive a tax receipt

Go to [schoolcashonline.com](https://schoolcashonline.com).

Click on button that says MAKE A DONATION

In Gift Information click on amount you want to donate or type in Other Amount

In Fund Destination click on Unionville H.S.

Click Add To Cart and check out! Thank you for supporting our UHS students!

来自您的捐款将提供我们丰沛资金，  
加以提升UHS目前过时的科技设备。

恳请您考虑捐款我们学校，  
共同支持孩子的未来与教育！

5个简单步骤即可进行捐款,捐款金额超过25元可收到报税单据!

请造访 [schoolcashonline.com](https://schoolcashonline.com)

点击显示「捐款」的按钮

在礼物资讯中，点击您要捐赠的金额或输入其他金额

在基金目的地中点选 **Unionville H.S.**

点击加入购物车并结帐! 感谢您对我们 **UHS** 学生的支持!



## Experience Works

Nineteenth Edition Newsletter: Spring 2023-2024

Peter knows he is an awesome worker!



Peter from Unionville S.S.



### Attention Wolves! Join Us for UHS's First Ever Relay For Life Event

This year marks the first ever Relay For Life event at UHS, and you are invited!

On **Monday, May 27**, Unionville students and staff will rally together to show support for all those affected by cancer, and raise important funds to support the Canadian Cancer Society's life changing research.

Event Highlights:

- Theme: Wear **blue** and **yellow** to show your support and get entered into a raffle for great prizes!
- Relay Rallies:
  - **Grade 11/12 Relay Rally: Period 4 (12:30 - 1:45)**
  - **Grade 9/10 Relay Rally: Period 5 (1:50 - 3:05)**

How to Contribute:

Donate in person, or online at the official website to make a difference! **Donate Here!**

**Blue**



**YELLOW**



# ANNOUNCEMENT

## Stagebound Lights, Camera, Action!

Stagebound is an end of the year show, co-created by the AU 9's and Core 10 Drama class.

Come join us on **Wednesday, May 29** from **4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.** to enjoy a variety of creative works written, directed, and produced by UHS' talented student body.

Alternatively, there will be a day show on **Friday, May 24** during **Periods 3 and 4 (11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.)**.

Location: UHS room **106**

Tickets are **\$8.00** for the evening show and **\$2.00** for the day show; tickets are currently available for purchase on **School Cash Online**.

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

## Music

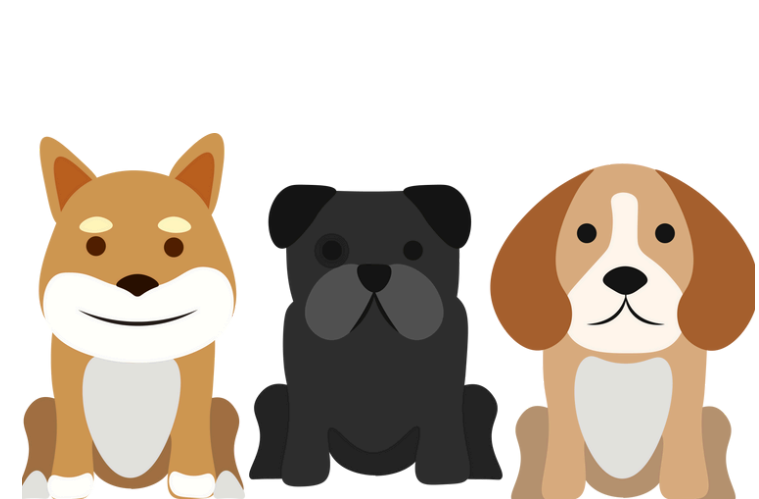
### Arts Unionville Recital #5 - Wednesday, May 22 - 6:30 p.m. UHS ATRIUM

Please join us for the final recital of the year where our talented Arts Unionville musicians play and sing a wide range of solo repertoire. All are welcome!



### Asian and South Asian Heritage Month Morning Performance - May 23 - 7:50 a.m. UHS ATRIUM

Please join us in the UHS Atrium for a morning performance of the third movement - "The Young Prince and the Young Princess" - from Scheherazade, one of the Tales of 1001 Nights with music by Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov and A Town with an Ocean View from the film Kiki's Delivery Service with music by Joe Hisaishi played by the UHS Symphony Orchestra on **Thursday, May 23** before school as a celebration of Asian and South Asian Heritage Month. All are welcome!



### Semester 2 Edition of Dog Therapy

I just wanted to let you know that the Semester 2 Edition of Dog Therapy will be taking place in May.

The 3rd session is on **Friday, May 24 - Period 4 (12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.) - Room 350.**

Please sign up with your period 4 teach. If it is your lunch time, please drop by the room 350.

Please let me Felicia Sukdeo (Guidance Counsellor) know if you have any questions - we're looking forward to seeing you!

### Civic Centre Traffic Management

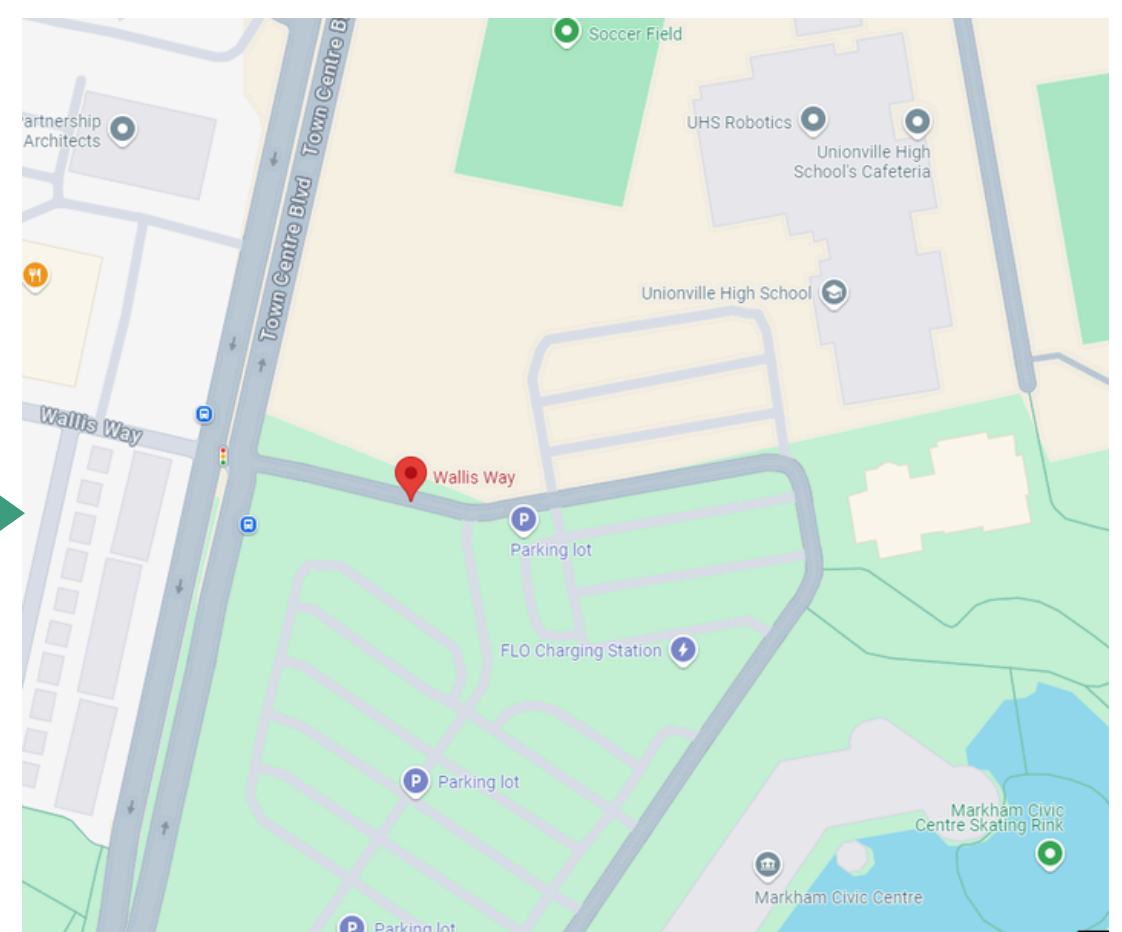
**May 15 to 30 - 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. and 2:30-3:30 p.m.**

**Traffic control measures** will be in place at the **Markham Civic Centre**.

**School-related traffic: all vehicles must access the school parking lot and drop-off area from Wallis Way. See map**

**Visitors and staff to Markham Civic Centre and Flato Markham Theatre:** recommended that all vehicles enter the parking lot entrance at Cox Boulevard and Town Centre Boulevard.

These new traffic control measures are necessary to manage efficient flow of traffic and to prioritize everyone's safety.



# 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.

### 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 **INSTAGRAM** 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 [UNIONVILLE.HS@YRDSB.CA](mailto: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.





# GUIDANCE OFFICE

## YRDSB Summer School 2024 Registration

Registration for Summer School opens on **Tuesday, April 9.**

Students will register on MyBlueprint/My Pathway Planner.

Note: Summer school runs from **July 3 - July 26, 2024**. The school day will begin at **8:45 a.m. and end at 3:33 p.m.**

## YRDSB Summer School 2024 Poster

You can visit the following link for more information.  
[2024 Secondary Summer School In-Person Learning](#)



**Students will Register on MyBlueprint/My Pathway Planner.**  
For more information, you can view the registration guide here:  
[CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE SELECTION GUIDE FOR STUDENTS](#)

## The 2024 Summer School Course Offerings and Locations

For more information, you can view the list here:  
[Secondary Summer School Courses Locations](#)

## AEBS 2024 Scholarships for Self-identifying Black Students Graduating from YRDSB High Schools

AEBS invites self-identifying Black students who are graduating from a high school in the York Region District School Board to apply for 2024 AEBS Scholarships.

(Please note that the link below is for graduating students applying for scholarships. It is not the form to nominate Grades 4-12 students for recognition at the Annual Achievement Awards Ceremony on June 4.)

Students can view [AEBS 2024 Scholarships](#) to learn more about the 2024 scholarships and to apply. (Having problems accessing the information? Search using Google Chrome.) Students are required to sign into their YRDSB Google Gapps Accounts to access the application form.

The deadline to apply is **Sunday, May 19, 2024**, before 11:55 p.m.

For further information contact:

Elaine Ricketts: [elaine.ricketts@yrdsb.ca](mailto:elaine.ricketts@yrdsb.ca); [elaine.ricketts@gapps.yrdsb.ca](mailto:elaine.ricketts@gapps.yrdsb.ca)  
Charlotte Reid: [charlottereid60@gmail.com](mailto:charlottereid60@gmail.com) or (416) 540-1005

SCHOLARSHIP

## 2024-2025 BFCN Scholarships & Awards Now Open!

In addition, we are happy to share that 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.

[Click here](#) to learn more and apply for the 13th Annual BFCN Scholarships

<https://bit.ly/BFCNScholarships2024>

[Click here](#) to learn more and apply for the 10th Annual BFCN Aim 2 Achieve Awards

<https://bit.ly/BFCNAim2AchieveAwards2024>

For questions about the application process or to support the BFCN Scholarship Program please contact [info@bfcn.ca](mailto:info@bfcn.ca).

## 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](mailto:uplands@yrdsb.ca) for more info. Here is the [website](#).

## 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](mailto:ILIL@yrdsb.ca).



# JOIN EVENTS AND PROGRAMS (H)

## Family Engagement Evening

Embracing Diversity, Celebrating **East Asian Heritage!**

This event will feature:

- Captivating cultural musical and instrumental performances by talented students, along with interactive cultural demonstrations and activities.

The “Standing in the Doorway” traveling exhibition that explores the history of Chinese immigration to York Region

- Exploring community resources that support East Asian students and families

Join us to engage, learn, and celebrate East Asian heritage! Everyone is welcome!

Event Date: **Wednesday, May 29, 2024**

Event time: **6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

Location: **Unionville High School**, 201 Town Centre Blvd, Markham, ON L3R 8G5

More information is in the **poster**.



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**6:30 - 8:30pm**

Unionville High School, 201 Town Centre Blvd, Markham, ON L3R 8G5

Please scan the QR code below or visit <https://bit.ly/4b4kiRo> to register



For additional inquiries, please contact:  
[bronson.chu@yrdsb.ca](mailto:bronson.chu@yrdsb.ca) or [pauline.guo@yrdsb.ca](mailto:pauline.guo@yrdsb.ca)

This event is co-hosted by YRDSB Inclusive Schools & Community Services (ISCS), Community and Partnership Developers for East Asian Community and Supporting East Asian Students (SEAS) in collaboration with YRDSB Museum and Archives.

## 2024 Philosophy Summer Academy

This summer programs are academically rigorous, covering topics in philosophy of law, political philosophy, and applied ethics. All content is grounded in academic papers, fostering critical thinking among students. Our programs aim to help students develop the logical reasoning, communication, and comprehensive reading skills required for post-secondary education and the job market once they graduate in an enjoyable and engaging format.

Learn critical thinking and logical reasoning from top philosophy specialists from the University of Toronto while exploring interesting issues in politics, law, and philosophy!

For more information, please check out the website, <https://philosophyforyouth.ca/programs> and the **Flyer**

## POLITICS, LAW, & PHILOSOPHY CAMP



2024 Philosophy Summer Academy

Learn critical thinking and logical reasoning from top philosophy specialists from the University of Toronto while exploring interesting issues in politics, law, and philosophy!

**Jul 29 - Aug 2, 2024**

09:30 AM - 04:00 PM

Markham District High School  
89 Church St, Markham ON

Open to grades 9-12



Learn about interesting issues such as:

- Foundations of Politics: What is politics? Why care about it?
- Political Authority: When is political authority justified?
- Democratic Theory: What are the modern challenges for democracy?
- Just War: Is a just war possible? What moral duties do states have in war?

Register at [philosophyforyouth.ca](https://philosophyforyouth.ca)

Learn and make new friends while expanding your thinking in multiple fields! No prior knowledge of philosophy is required.



## 2024 YRES Summer Camp (July 8 – Aug. 16, 2024)

YRES camp is the ideal destination for families looking for an enriching and affordable summer experience for their children.

We offer a diverse range of *activities*, including sports, recreational arts and crafts, and S.T.E.M. for children 5-12 years old.

Join us for a summer of fun, friendship, and learning! **Register Now**

More details, please see the poster **2024 YRES Summer Camp Flyer** or website <https://yorkeducation.org/summercamp/>

The flyer for the 2024 YRES Summer Camp features a green and white color scheme. It includes a map of the Greater Toronto Area with various locations marked. Text on the flyer includes: "First Come, First Served! Spaces may be reached in May", "Starting July 8, 2024", "Separated Classrooms by Age!" with a table for ages 5-12, "Fees & Pricing" table, and "Contact Us" information. A QR code is also present.

## Fast Track Career Expo

**Fast Track: Explore Your Future Evening Event**

Are you a student OR a parent/guardian of a student in Grades 9 - 12? If yes, please join us at the **Venu Event Space** in Vaughan (2800 Hwy 7, Vaughan ON, L4K 1W8) from **5:00 pm to 8:00 pm** on **Wednesday, May 22, 2024**.

Our many exhibitors, including local employers, trade unions, colleges, industry partners and associations will be available to provide students and their families with information on career opportunities. Come and explore and learn about the many possibilities available! Our evening will end with our keynote speaker who will talk about what soft skills employers are looking for and how students can present themselves professionally in various environments.

> [Register today](#)

**Price:** No cost. Open to students in Grade 9-12 and their families.

More details, please check the **Fast Track Career Expo Poster**

The poster for the Fast Track Career Expo has a blue background. It features the title "FAST TRACK CAREER EXPO" in large white letters, followed by the date "Wednesday, May 22, 2024" and time "5:00 pm - 8:00 pm". It lists the location "Venu Event Space, 2800 Hwy 7, Vaughan, ON, L4K 1W8" and provides a registration link "https://yrdsb.cc/FastTrackExpoEvening" with a QR code. A list of exhibitors is provided, including Employment Ontario, Support Ontario Youth, College of Carpenters, Landscape Ontario, Weins Auto Group, Colleges, Workforce Planning Board of York Region, Interior Finishing Systems Training Center, HiMark Occupational Skills Training Center, Ainsworth Inc., York Region Paramedic Services, and Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development (MLTSD). The poster also includes a "REGISTER NOW" button and a "CAREER EXPO OPENS at 5:00 PM!" banner.



# JOIN EVENTS AND PROGRAMS (2)

## The Schulich Business Excellence Academy

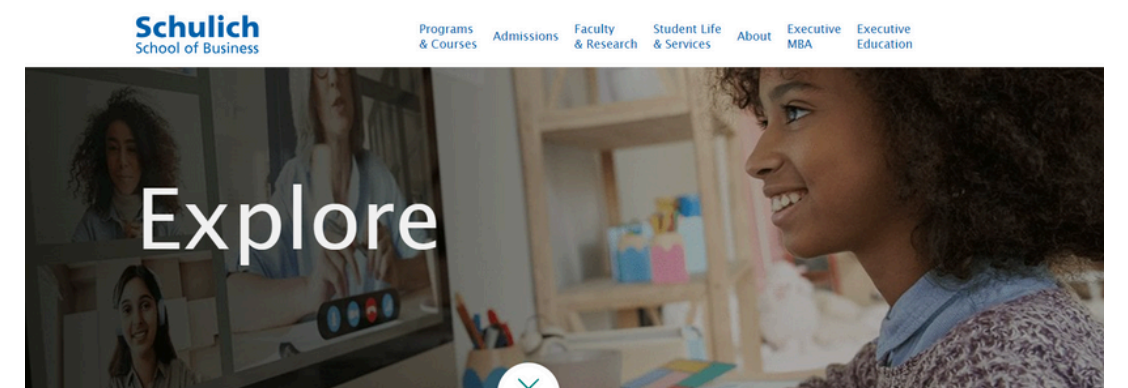
### "The Schulich Business Excellence Academy" (Summer Business Education and Mentorship Summer Program)

The program supports 60 high school students in the GTA entering grades 10,11,12 in the Fall who self-identify from equity-deserving groups including Black, Indigenous, BIPOC, 2SLGBTQIA+ and people with disabilities (with a focus on Black and Indigenous students).

Here's a quick overview:

- Program name: The Schulich Business Excellence Academy
- Duration: **July 8 - July 25** - 3-week program, 2 hours/day - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- Sessions will be held virtually and will consist of a series of lectures and group-based activities, ending with an in-person case competition and a dinner event at the York University -Keele Campus
- The program will be delivered by a range of prominent guest speakers from the community and Schulich Faculty
- Participants will receive a Certificate of Completion at the closing ceremony

<https://schulich.yorku.ca/future-students/business-excellence-academy/>



## Registrations For The 2024 Come Up Program Are Open!

- **Navigating Secondary School and Beyond 2024 Summer Program:**

**The Come Up summer program** (Flyer) is a unique in-person course offered to self-identifying Black students in the York Region District School Board. It also includes guest speakers, field trips, lunch and swag.

There are three summer school locations that students can choose from, which are: (1) Maple High School (WEST) (2) Milliken Mills High School (EAST) (3) Newmarket High School (NORTH)

Students must complete both the **Come Up Registration** and register for the course on **MyBluePrint** in order to be fully registered for the program/course

Registration opens April 22, 2024. **Deadline** to register is **May 27, 2024**.

Program Dates: **July 3 - July 26, 2024** (Monday-Friday) **8:45 a.m. - 3:35 p.m**

\* \*Attendance is mandatory for the duration of the program. Please note: Lunch will only be provided on Mondays and Wednesdays.

- **Virtual/F2F Black Parent/Guardian Workshop Series:**

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

Session # 1 - **Tuesday, June 11 2024**, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Understanding the Secondary System (Structure, Rights, Policies, Attendance, Credit Recovery, IEPs and more)

Session # 2 - **Thursday, July 11, 2024**, 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**.

## Youth Workshops at Aaniin Community Center or Online

YRES (not-for-profit) is hosting free workshops for middle school and high school students (Grade 6-12) on Saturdays from 3:00 p.m to 4:00 p.m. Each week has a different topic, from refining transferable employability skills to planning out one's high school journey. These workshops are all free, and students can join us either **in person at the Aaniin Community Centre** or **on Zoom**.

Flyer and program details:

**Youth Workshop April-June2024 Flyer (YRES)**

Thank you,  
York Region Educational Services

Web: [www.yorkeducation.org](http://www.yorkeducation.org)

Scan the QR code to register.



[yorkeducation.org](http://yorkeducation.org)



[info@yorkeducation.ca](mailto:info@yorkeducation.ca)



## 2024-2025 School Year

The recommendations submitted for the 2024-2025 School Year Calendars as outlined in the [YRDSB website](#), have received formal approval from the Ministry of Education. These calendars may be accessed on the [YRDSB website](#).



## Semester 2 Exams

All students and families need to ensure that students are present and available for the Semester 2 Exam block. Semester 2 Exams will take place **June 18-25, 2024** . Please be aware that **June 26, 2024** is Exam Review Day.

## School Immunization

We are sharing information with families about immunizations for students. If your child needs vaccines, such as those required by law to attend school in Ontario, York Region Public Health provides free [student catch-up immunizations](#) to all eligible students in JK to Grade 12 by appointment only. It’s also important that you report your child’s vaccination to York Region Public Health. Please read this [important message from York Region Public Health on vaccinations](#).

## Library Information

**May is Asian Heritage Month.** Learn more by viewing one of these [free streaming films](#) (click link) from the National Film Board of Canada that “center Asian communities and stories told from Asian perspectives.” (NFB)



## 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)

