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#### Club List 2019-2020

Please click the link below to find out about clubs at UHS. Students who are interested in joining a club should speak to the teacher advisor or attend the scheduled meeting. The link below includes teacher contact names and meeting times.

Club List 2019-2020

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS					
November 25 Day 2	School Council Meeting (6:30pm)				
November 26 Day 1	<ul> <li>Business &amp; Family Studies Charity Food Sale (3:00-4:00pm)</li> <li>Jr. Boys Basketball Home Game vs. Father McGivney @ 4:45pm</li> </ul>				
November 27 Day 2	<ul> <li>Business &amp; Family Studies Charity Food Sale (3:00-4:00pm)</li> <li>PEAK at YMCA/Stiver Mills CC</li> <li>Community Class to Markham Library (9-11:30am)</li> <li>Nintendo Games Night in cafeteria (3:30-5:00pm)</li> </ul>				
November 28 Day 1	Grade 9 AU Drama Performance at UHS (7:00–9:00pm)				
November 29 Day 2	<ul> <li>Grade 9 AU Drama Performance – UHS (Period 3)</li> <li>Latin Cultural Dance Workshop (Period 5)</li> </ul>				

**Scholarship Application Workshop & Pathway Planning** 







Black Foundation of

Community Networks (BFCN), York Region District School Board (YRDSB) & Alliance of Educators for Black Students (AEBS) presents *a…* 

## Scholarship Application Workshop & Pathway Planning

Wednesday, November 27, 2019

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.



Pierre Elliott Trudeau H.S. 90 Bur Oak Ave, Markham, ON. L6C 2E6 (Kennedy & Bur Oak Avenue)



An interactive workshop to show Black students and their parents how to search, apply and win scholarships and bursaries. If you are in High School or Grade 7/8 this workshop is for YOU!

To register - <u>Eventbrite 'BFCN'</u> by Tuesday, November 26, 2019 For further information contact Cheryl Yarde at 416-566-2731 or info@bfcn.ca

## FREE EVENT – LIMITED SEATS

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED EVERYONE WELCOME



### Youth Engagement Program 2020 March Break Youth Engagement Program

Thank you for your interest in the 2020 March Break Youth Engagement Program!

Applicants and their parents are invited to an **Information Session** on: **Date:** Wednesday, November 27, 2019 **Location:** Community Safety Village of York Region **Time:** 7:00pm-8:30pm

This is not a mandatory meeting however we will be presenting an overview of the program as well as information on filling out the application correctly. There will be time for questions after the presentation.

Who is Suitable for this Program?

- This program is geared to mature students in Grade 9 Grade 12 who may be interested in Policing or working within a Police service (not mandatory).
- This program is very structured and has a physical fitness component which all participants will be involved in.
- This program is designed to assist students in gaining self-confidence, self-discipline, selfawareness and resiliency.

Students Must Be:

- Resident of York Region
- Between the ages of 15-18 years old
- Currently in Grade 9 Grade 12
- Currently attending a York Region Secondary School
- Complete an Essay and submit with the application
- All students must have their own transportation to this program public transit is not an option

Our Goal:

- To have a week of learning and to experience a small portion of what the recruitment process may be like when applying to York Regional Police
- To enable you to get to know yourself better, your strengths as well as areas you can enhance
- To have you meet other students with similar goals and form lasting friendships
- To have you interact and work with Officers who will continue to mentor you during this week

#### **Directions to the Community Safety**

Village: Community Safety Village of York Region Bruce's Mill Conservation Area 3291 Stouffville Side Road, Stouffville, ON L4A 3W9

- Turn into Bruce's Mill Conservation Area off of Stouffville Road and go past the gate house (you do not need to pay)
- Go 1/2 kilometer through forest and then turn left at sign
- Drive towards the Safety Village and there will be parking on your right hand side
- CSV staff offices are in the Education Centre (modern building with sloping, metal roof and lots of windows

#### **Winter Weather Notice**

Dear Families,

As we go into the winter months, it is important that families are aware that there may be rare occasions when emergency weather events occur and we need to close all schools and Board locations.

#### Emergency winter weather

Emergency closures will be considered when facilities may not be safe for students and staff members to attend school for the full day. This may include events that significantly limit school operations or access to the school site, or cause widespread, prolonged power failures or downed power lines.

In keeping with our current practice, we will continue to keep our schools open as much as possible. However, it is important that families have alternate childcare arrangements planned for the rare occasions when schools may be closed. Before and after care programs will also not operate if schools are closed.

Please take the time to make plans in the event of an emergency school closure. School transportation cancellations School transportation (buses and taxis) may be cancelled due to extreme cold or inclement weather. If transportation is cancelled in the morning, it will also be cancelled for the afternoon. On these days, schools will remain open unless otherwise stated.

Families can use their best judgment to decide whether to send their children to school on inclement weather days. Students will not be penalized for missing school. For safety reasons, you are required to let the school know if your child will not be attending school that day.

#### Communication to families

Decisions about school transportation and school closures will be made as early as possible and no later than 6:00 a.m.

We are introducing a new communications system that will send **text messages to parents/guardians for emergency purposes only**. This includes the rare event of a school closure. Parents/guardians will have the ability to opt-out of receiving text messages should they choose.

The Board will be testing this communications system on Tuesday, November 19. If the school has your cell phone number (documented as your cell and not your home phone number), you will receive a test text message. This message will also include the option to opt-out of this system. If you do not receive a text and wish to participate in the program, please ensure that your school has your cell phone number.

We will do our best to notify families in advance when we may be considering closing school and Board offices. Our priority continues to be the safety of our students, staff members and families. If you have any questions, please speak with your school principal.

Transportation cancellations or school closures will also continue to be communicated through:

- Student Transportation Services website: <u>www.schoolbuscity.com</u>
- Student Transportation Hotline: 1-877-330-3001
- <u>Board website</u> and school websites
- <u>@YRDSB</u>Twitter account
- Radio and TV media outlets

For more information on severe weather days, please visit our website www.yrdsb.ca.

Sincerely,

Louise Sirisko Director of Education

#### LIVE WELL TAKE ACTION PROGRAM

Looking for Student Participants: The "Live Well, Take Action: Ambassador Program for East Asian Youth" is currently accepting applications from East Asian youth who are interested in or have the potential to engage in social activism, current issues and community development. Prospective students may not necessarily be holding leadership roles or considered to be "loud" or outspoken. Workshops will focus on wellness, critical thinking and communication skills, and students will apply their learning by creating group projects that will be presented at various events. Volunteer hours and snacks will be provided! For more info, visit our website at: <u>livewelltakeaction.com</u> or contact Ms. Farwell, Guidance Counsellor, at <u>michelle.farwell@yrdsb.ca</u>. Deadline to apply is **Friday, January 17th, 2020**.

#### **GUIDANCE NEWS**

#### Scholarship News:

Check out the Guidance Moodle for updated scholarships, step by step guidelines and eligibility criteria.

http://moodle2.yrdsb.ca

Search: UHS Guidance Username: UHS student number Password: UHS login

Queen's University Chancellor Scholarship

Due: November 20th - due in Guidance by 3pm for school sponsored applications (Must apply online through OUAC first in order to get access to your Queen's SOLUS account and apply online - we recommend November 15th as the latest date to do this.)

TD Community Trust Scholarship Due: November 15th, 2019 - apply directly: <u>https://www.td.com/ca/en/personal-</u> <u>banking/solutions/student-banking/community-leadership-scholarship-for-canadians/</u>

#### Grad. Google Classroom

Grade 12 students are encouraged to join the UHS Grad Google Classroom to receive important up-to-date information about graduation and post-secondary planning. Students can sign up using this **Google Classroom code:** rhg0eyg

### **ARTS CAMP COUNSELLOR**

# Arts Camp Counsellor and Counsellor-in-Training (CIT) Application and Selection Process for Students in Grades 10-12

Please see information below regarding the application and selection process for secondary students wishing to apply for a COUNSELLOR or COUNSELLOR-IN-TRAINING (CIT) position at YRDSB Arts Camp 2020.

Arts Camp 2020 is held from May 23rd to May 30th, 2020 in Haliburton, Ontario. There is a limited number of Counsellor and CIT positions at camp.

Application Process:

• Only students in Grades 10-12 may apply for a Counsellor or CIT position;

• Counsellor applicants must have completed the Arts Camp CIT Program and/or an equivalent training program;

- The Counsellor and CIT program are positions of responsibility and require students to demonstrate leadership in their schools and/or communities;
- Applicants must complete the online form Leadership Application in its entirety;
- In order to prepare answers for the required questions within the application, applicants may view the application in its entirety before responding through their @gapps.yrdsb.ca account Leadership Application Preview;
- Applicants must also upload a current resume in PDF when prompted in the online form.
- Students require parental/guardian consent and support of a referring teacher and school administrator to apply for a Leadership position at Arts Camp;
- There is no limit to the number of applications submitted from a particular school. In addition to demonstrated leadership experience and/or experience working with children, Counsellor/CIT applicant must meet the following four criteria:
  - Student demonstrates positive character in school;
  - $\circ$  Student demonstrates positive behaviour in school;
  - Student would benefit from and positively contribute, as a leader, to an arts program in an inclusive community; and
  - Student is prepared and mature enough to spend a week away from home and school.

• A confirmation email will be sent to all applicants once they have completed the online application form;

• An online reference/approval form will be sent to referring teachers and Principal/VPs for each applicant. Each student application is dependent upon a positive reference from all parties;

• The deadline for all Counsellor and CIT applications is Friday, November 29th, 2019; and

• Payment and full registration for camp will be arranged once the Counsellor/CIT selection process has concluded.

For more information, please visit <u>http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/arts/Pages/Arts-Camp.aspx</u>

#### **Elementary School Volleyball Tournament**

This week we hosted our elementary schools Area volleyball tournaments. On both Tuesday and Wednesday we had more than 10 schools competing. This event was planned and coordinated by a group from our Grade 12 recreational leadership course. The tournament was full of high energy volleyball rally's along with excellent sportsmanship. The coaches, parents, and athletes all commented on how smooth the event was run and that credit all goes to the hard work of the organizing group. Congratulations to all those involved!

#### **Intersecting Identities Show**

As part of the Intersecting Identities Show at YRDSB's Education Centre in Aurora, our visual art students will have their organic ink works displayed from December 2 to January 8. The artwork reflects student voice and address ideas around power and privilege, impact of colonialism, or reflect larger group identities of traditionally marginalized communities. It was created in a workshop called #LandlsSacred, #WaterIsLife at the McMichael Gallery. This thought-provoking studio was developed in collaboration with Michif artist Christi Belcourt.



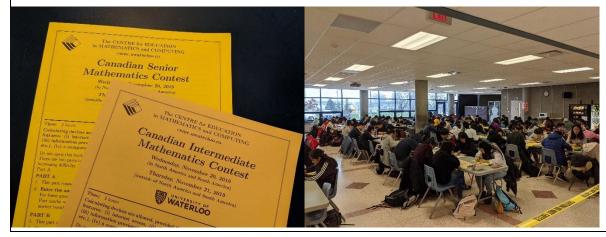
#### **Business & Family Studies Food Sale**



On Tuesday, November 26 and Wednesday November 27, 2019 the Business & Family Studies department is holding a food sale to raise money for charity after school in the atrium. Please come out & support this great cause!

#### Waterloo Mathematics Contest

Over 120 students participated in the Waterloo Canadian Intermediate and Senior Mathematics Contest on November 20th. It was a great way for students to develop their mathematical problem solving abilities while having fun! Students in grades 9 to 11 can now sign up for the next math contest on School Cash Online (Pascal Grade 9, Cayley Grade 10 or Fermat Grade 11). Don't miss out on another great opportunity! The last day to register is January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.



The following is **«First\_Name» «Last\_Name»'s** weekly attendance profile for the school week November 18 to November 22, 2019.

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#### Description

Each week, this email will now contain an attendance summary for «First\_Name». The chart shows the number of times «First\_Name» was late and/or absent for each class. Included in these totals are absences that have been authorized by a parent or guardian.