



# UHS Parent Weekly Bulletin –Vol.39

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Reception - 431

Attendance - 230

Guidance - 458

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[@UHSupdates](#)

## Adaptive Students - Online Schedule

Period 1	8:30 am – 9:45 am
Period 2	9:50 am – 11:05 am
Lunch	11:05 am – 12:25 pm
Period 3	12:25 pm – 1:40 pm
Period 4	1:45 pm – 3:00 pm

21	22	23	24	25
	Asynchronous Day (Students do not attend Google Meets; work is posted online)		Graduates' Drive-Through Celebration (4:30-7:30)	Last Day of Classes  Student Materials Return/Retrieval (8:30-3:30)
28 No Classes	29 No Classes	30	1	2
Credit Conferencing & Credit Rescue  (Last Day for Community Classes)  Student Materials Return/Retrieval (8:30-3:30)	PA Day			

## Important Dates and Report Cards

### Important Dates

We hope this correspondence finds you and your family well. The following are some key dates for you to be aware of:

**June 18: Credit Conferencing and Rescue Day:** Some students will be involved in activities to support completion of Semester 2 courses. Students are expected to attend only as directed by their teacher.

**June 22: Asynchronous Learning Day:** All elementary and secondary students, including Community Class students who are currently attending in person, will be provided with asynchronous learning activities so that staff may prepare for the transition to in-person learning in September 2021.

**June 24: Drive-Through for UHS Graduates**

**June 25: Last Day of Classes** (except for Community Classes); **Student Materials Return/Retrieval at UHS**

**June 28: Credit Conferencing and Rescue Day:** Some students will be involved in activities to support completion of Semester 2 courses. Students are expected to attend only as directed by their teacher. This is the last day for Community Classes; **Student Materials Return/Retrieval at UHS**

**June 29: PA Day**

**July 7: Graduation Video Release**

### Report Cards

Our reports provide you information about your child's achievement throughout the second semester. Of note is that this reporting period reflects learning that has occurred in a modified learning environment as required by the provincial public health guidelines. As a result, the rate of progress described in this report may differ from previous years due to the ongoing impact of COVID-19 on student learning. We hope that this report will provide valuable feedback for your child while supporting conversations about learning at home.

**Report cards are part of the ongoing communication from our school to support student achievement and well-being. Distribution of your child's final report card for the second semester will begin on July 8, 2021.** These reports will be distributed using the same process used for Midterm and Interim Reports via student GAPPS accounts.

## End of Semester Plans & Selection of Learning Model

As the 2020-2021 school year draws to a close, we would like to take this opportunity to provide you with an update on end of year activities and some information regarding the 2021-2022 school year.

We know that students and staff members have worked extremely hard over the past school year and have continuously adjusted to the changing requirements presented by the COVID-19 global pandemic. On behalf of everyone at the York Region District School Board, we thank you for your ongoing support and efforts to mitigate and reduce the transmission of COVID-19 in our schools and communities.

Due to your efforts and an accelerated vaccination program, we remain cautiously optimistic to return to more in-person learning and experiences that enrich the educational journey of children and youth. York Region Public Health (YRPH) have issued a [letter to families](#) that outlines rationale for this optimism, and we're grateful to them for their ongoing partnership.

## 2021-2022 Caring and Learning Plan - Selection of Learning Models

As previously announced, families will have the option to select in-person or virtual learning. To ensure families are making this decision with as much up-to-date information as possible, **we anticipate that this process will take place July 28 - August 16.** More information will be released at that time about how to make this selection.

The Caring and Learning Plan will focus on ensuring that the Board meets all protocols from public health authorities and focuses support on students' well-being, including mental health. We know children and families have faced many challenges throughout the pandemic and we'll work to provide as much care and education support as possible. As always, if you have any concerns for your child's well-being, please speak to the school directly.

### June 22 - School Preparation Day Elementary & Secondary

On June 22, all elementary and secondary students, including Community Class students who are currently attending in person, will be provided with asynchronous learning activities so that staff may prepare for the transition to in-person learning in September 2021. Students in community classes who are currently attending face-to-face will need to make alternate arrangements as schools will be closed to students and transportation will be cancelled. As mentioned previously, there is reason for optimism for returning to in-person learning in September and educators and school staff will be busy preparing classrooms and schools.

### June 28 - Last Day of school for Secondary Students

For secondary students June 28 is dedicated to credit conferencing and recovery, and lessons will not be delivered on this day (this is in addition to June 18, which is also a credit recovery day). Class attendance will not be taken.

### June 25, 28 - Student Materials Retrieval and Return Days

On these dates, schools will plan to have students return to the school to retrieve any personal belongings that may have been left behind before the closure of schools in April. At this time, students will also return school materials/technology that they may have borrowed.

### 2021-2022 Secondary Model

Secondary schools are continuing to timetable for the 2021-2022 school year, keeping in mind requirements from the Ministry of Education and public health protocols. Beginning in September, pending confirmation from the Ministry of Education, we anticipate all secondary students to be attending school daily for the full school day. Our Board will continue to use the modified four course semester model (i.e. a rotation of two courses per day on a weekly basis). You will receive more information with schedules as timetables are finalized.

Please see this [video](#) regarding next school year's learning model. We wish you and your loved ones a very safe, happy and enjoyable summer. There is so much to look forward to in the coming months and we can't wait to welcome our students, staff and families back in person.

## Graduates' Drive-Through Celebration

- A Message from YRDSB...

*Dear Families,*

*We are writing to share an update regarding end-of-year celebrations for graduating students.*

*In order to offer students an 'in-person' experience, YRDSB schools have been asked to facilitate a "drive-through" celebration of our graduating students (including EVS and SVS students).*

*YRDSB has worked closely with York Region Public Health to offer this in-person opportunity to celebrate our graduating students to help safely recognize this important milestone.*

*Attendance of the drive-through celebration is optional. As previously communicated, all schools will continue with their virtual graduations as the formal ceremonies by which to formally recognize and honour our graduating students.*

*We thank families for your continued patience as we work to support and celebrate student achievement during this time.*

- **The UHS Drive-Through Event**

Unionville High School will be holding our Graduation Drive-Through Ceremony on **Thursday, June 24 from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm at the Town Centre Blvd. entrance**. Many thanks to those students who booked appointments to participate. The appointment booking form is now closed. Please ensure that you arrive on time.

In accordance with health and safety regulations, **all participants shall remain in their cars. Families will pop their trunks to facilitate contactless exchange. There will not be an opportunity for individuals to park and exit their vehicles.** As you enter at Town Centre Blvd., please follow the directions of staff.

If you have questions about the drive-through process, please contact us: [unionville.hs@yrdsb.ca](mailto:unionville.hs@yrdsb.ca).

## **Student Material Retrieval and Return Process**

Dear Families,

### **Re: Student Material Retrieval and Return Process**

On **Friday June 25** and **Monday June 28**, students and families can safely return items that belong to UHS (e.g. **textbooks, library books, musical instruments, sheet music, technology, parking passes**) and pick up any items left at school/assigned to them. This process is by appointment only (8:30 am - 3:30 pm) using the Google Form below:

### [Appointment Bookings for Materials Drop-Off/Pick-Up June 2021](#)

If you are currently using a board-issued laptop or chrome-book and you **are returning** to a YRDSB school in **the fall**, please keep your device for use over the summer. If you **are not returning** to a YRDSB school in **September**, you must return all YRDSB technology. Students are expected to return all school items and anything else that is property of the YRDSB.

### **Guidelines for Visit:**

- Visits to the school must be conducted within the Public Health Guidelines. A mask must be worn and a two-meter distance must be maintained at all times while on school property.
- **Entry will be at Town Centre Blvd. only and exit will be at Warden (or stairwell #3 to return to Town Centre parking). Please arrive on time.**
- Please sanitize your hands upon entering and exiting the building. Do not wear gloves.
- A [Covid-19 School and Child Care Screening](#) must be conducted prior to arrival. Please do not come to the school if you are experiencing symptoms.

- Students must drop-off and retrieve items individually. No additional family members will be allowed to enter the building.
- There will be no access to classrooms, washrooms or drinking fountains.
- If your child has medication at school, please call us in advance if you'd like it to be available for pick-up.
- Students will be directed to the **cafeteria** to return items and will not be permitted to walk to other locations in the school.

Our goal is to provide a safe and supportive process to allow for the return of materials and school property. We appreciate your cooperation as we facilitate a safe and organized process.

Sincerely,

The UHS Administration Team

### Attention Graduates: Download Your Work on YRDSB Google Drive

This is a message for all Graduates and any student leaving YRDSB at the end of June. 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 June. 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](#).

### Secondary Credit International and Indigenous Languages Programs (Grade 9 to 12)

The Credit International and Indigenous Languages program, offering 15 different languages, is available to students from Grades 9 to 12. Registration is now open for the upcoming 2021- 2020 year, please see course offerings [secondary course offerings](#). Online registration closes on September 13, 2021. Please visit our [website](#) for more information about our courses, program delivery and registration information.

#### Did you know there are many benefits to taking credit language courses?

Students can take one International Languages Course as a Group 1- Compulsory or as an Elective Credit towards their Ontario Secondary Diploma. Students can also earn up to three credits towards graduation. If students successfully complete the Level D - University course, it can be used as one of their top six (6) marks for post-secondary entry.

For more Information please do not hesitate to e-mail us if you have any questions at [international.languages@yrdsb.ca](mailto:international.languages@yrdsb.ca).

Thank you for your interest in our programs.

## Summer Support

The Community Partnership Developer (CPD) will be available throughout the summer to provide direct support for students and families through partnerships with community organizations and social service agencies.

### We support students and families with:

- community outreach and engagement
- nutrition and food supports
- parenting supports and education
- student and parent engagement
- early years and transition to high school
- locating services and/or community resources
- mental health
- basic needs (food, clothing, shelter:)

If at any time, you are facing difficulties, challenges or require information please directly contact:

**Yasmin Mawani, Community Partnership Developer, YRDSB**

**Phone: 416-727-8179**

**Email: [Yasmin.mawani@yrdsb.ca](mailto:Yasmin.mawani@yrdsb.ca)**

## UHS Feed the Need

Attention Wolves! This is your last chance to donate to the UHS Feed the Need Initiative! We encourage all students, staff, and families to donate to the York Region Food Bank as they continue to face increasing demand for food products from food insecure households. Remember, you can make a monetary donation through our donation link or drop off non-perishable items at your nearest fire hall and select grocery stores. The raffle for the prizes will be held the week of June 21st so don't miss out! See our links below to donate and enter. Thank you for your support!

Donation Link: <https://fbyr.ca/uhs/>

Google form link for monetary donations:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdhvvu5nUpkHqI7VsFSeWMIZvyt2APf1ggOIL1HxVrnPZT-JA/viewform>

Google form link for non-perishable food items: <https://forms.gle/A4epFBh7ic5JmXVw7>



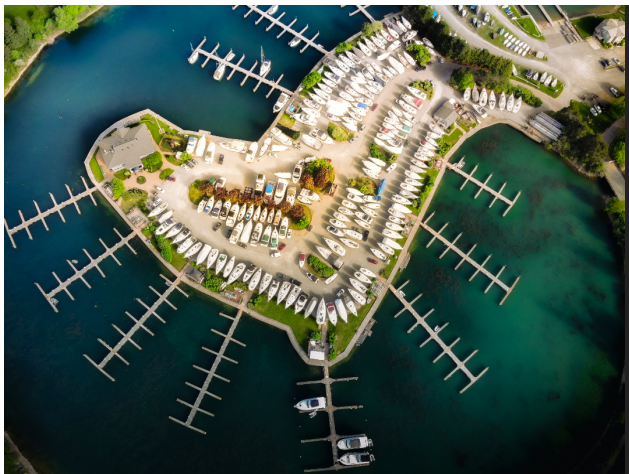
## Nimish Patri Wins Bronze at the Skills Canada Virtual National Competition



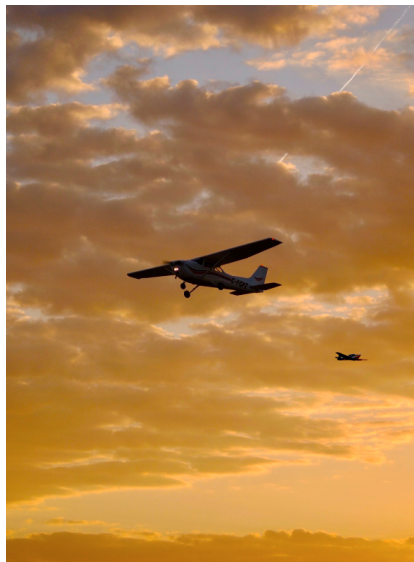
Congratulations to Nimish Patri who won a bronze medal at the Canadian Skills Competition on May 27th, 2021, for Network/IT Administration. Nimish competed against the best students in Canada as each province sent their top students to compete in various skill-based competitions. Nimish qualified to compete at this national competition after winning gold in the Ontario Technological Skills Competition held in April and May of this year. We are very proud of Nimish for representing UHS, YRDSB, and Team Ontario. Bravo!

## Congratulations to our UHS Click Contest Winners

Here are the winning entries:



**ALEXANDER NIELSON**



**CORY O'KOPNIAK**



**MAGGIE YUAN**

## YRDSB Surveys for Students and Families

Dear families,

If you have not yet filled out the YRDSB Surveys for Students and Families, there's still time to do so.

Students in Grade 7-12 have received an email to their school GAPPS accounts with an invite and link to the Student Survey. Families of students in Grade K-12 have been sent an email with an invitation and link to the Family Survey to the email address on file with our school. If you have not received the email, and would like to participate in the Family Survey, please email [research.services@yrdsb.ca](mailto:research.services@yrdsb.ca).

Families were offered the opportunity to opt their children out of receiving the Student Survey. If you missed the opt out deadline of May 24, 2021 and would not like your child to fill out the survey, please instruct them to disregard the email invite.

Translated versions of the Family Survey and the parent information letter are available in the following languages and are available for review on the Board website.

- [Arabic](#)
- [Chinese \(simplified\)](#)
- [Chinese \(traditional\)](#)
- [Farsi](#)
- [English](#)
- [Gujarati](#)
- [Hebrew](#)
- [Korean](#)
- [Punjabi](#)
- [Russian](#)
- [Tamil](#)
- [Turkish](#)
- [Urdu](#)
- [Vietnamese](#)

If you have any questions about the survey, please contact [research.services@yrdsb.ca](mailto:research.services@yrdsb.ca). Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

The UHS Administration Team

## Math: A Guide for Parents

Starting September 2021, there will be one new Grade 9 math course for all students. This means that there will no longer be applied or academic courses for Grade 9 Math.

The new course will provide all students with the same learning experience. This is part of [Ontario's four-year math strategy](#) to help students:

- perform better in math,
- solve everyday math problems,
- and be prepared for jobs of the future.

[To learn more about the new Grade 9 Math, please click here.](#)

TVO Mathify is available to support Grade 6-10 students online, Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., and on Sunday from 3:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. TVO Mathify provides free 1:1 Grade 6-10 tutoring support. All tutors are Ontario Certified Teachers. Please click the following link to find out more: [TVO Mathify: Students](#).



For information, preparation and practice regarding Mathematics programs in YRDSB, you may wish to access the [YRDSB Math page](#). Toward the bottom of this page you will find other useful links including the [Math Self-Assessment \(Secondary\)](#) link which takes you to a comprehensive set of questions to gauge readiness for different topics in the various math courses. Each topic has video lessons linked to it from the University of Waterloo's Centre for Education in Mathematics and Computing (CEMC). Embedded in the video lessons are practice questions.

Additional resources related to Math mindsets and confidence include the following:

[How to Learn Math for Students](#)

[Parent Resources Archives](#)

### Hong Fook Youth & Family Services



Please click the link below for the Hong Fook Youth & Family Program calendar for June 2021 and Youth & Family Service Summer Programs.

[June 2021](#)

[Hong Fook Youth & Family Services - Summer Program Catalogue \(English\)](#)

[Hong Fook Youth & Family Services - Summer Program Catalogue](#)

### 2021 Summer Learning Programs Available

During the month of July, YRDSB continues to offer credit and non-credit summer school program opportunities for elementary, secondary and adult students. Traditional in-class face-to-face summer programs will move to a remote learning delivery model. Registration is now open for the following programs:

#### [Elementary Credit and Non-Credit Programs:](#)

- Elementary Summer School (Grades 6 - 8 non-credit reinforcement)
- Grade 8 Reach Ahead

#### [Secondary Credit Programs:](#)

- Online-Learning
- Remote Learning

Please view the following links for information regarding each model and how to register:

[Secondary Program Flyer](#)

[Summer School Update April 20, 2021](#)

[How to Register](#)

Note to students: **A sign-off form is NOT required**. Disregard this step. Your alpha counsellor will review your registration and will send an email confirmation to your GAPPS account confirming that the course has been approved. If there are any concerns with your summer school selection, you will be contacted directly by your alpha counsellor.

#### **Adult Learning Programs:**

- Adult Literacy and Basic Skills
- English as a Second Language
- Citizenship Classes

For more information about summer learning programs and registration please visit [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca) and follow us on Twitter @YRDSB.

### **Scholarship News**

Continue to check the Guidance Moodle for upcoming scholarship information as well as application and eligibility details. Scholarship information is intended for graduating students that plan to attend a post secondary institution in 2021-2022.

#### **Upcoming Scholarship Information:**

The Scholarship Report (June - August) (PDF located on the Guidance Moodle)

University Listing Scholarships - Fall 2021 Entrance (PDF located on the Guidance Moodle)

College Listing Scholarships - Fall 2021 Entrance (PDF located on the Guidance Moodle)

#### **June 18, 2021 - Black Education Fund**

The Black Education Fund (BEF) was founded in August of 2020 by a group of friends and like-minded community members who wanted to do more than just talk about making change, we wanted to take action. We believe breaking down barriers Black students face in accessing education is fundamentally important to overcome anti-Black racism in Canada. Our goal is now to provide some financial support.

[Back Education Fund Inaugural Scholarship](#)

#### **June 25, 2021 - The Alliance of Jamaican Alumni Associations (AJAA, Toronto) Scholarship**

The AJAA is an umbrella organization representing alumni associations affiliated with educational institutions in Jamaica. The Alliance's mandate is to provide guidance and financial assistance to students from the Jamaican educational system in integrating them into the Canadian educational system, and to provide support to the member Jamaican Alumni Associations in The Greater Toronto area.

<https://www.ajaacanada.com/graduates.html>

#### **June 30, 2021 - MACCA Scholarships**

MACCA will be awarding Scholarships of \$1,000 to selected recipients. Selection is based on students' involvement and dedication to their community and academic achievements. One outstanding student that excels in these areas and demonstrates that they have gone above and beyond will also receive the President's award.

Applications can be downloaded from the website: [Home - MACCA](#)

### **July 3, 2021 - Black Business and Professional Association (BBPA) Scholarship**

Established in 1986, the BBPA National Scholarship Fund offers scholarships dedicated to supporting academic excellence and to facilitating the career ambitions of Black Canadian youth. New applications will be received until July 3, 2021. Please see their website for tips on how to apply. They will also be hosting a number of applicant preparation sessions during the month of June.

[BBPA Scholarships – Black Business and Professional Association | The premiere destination for Black Businesses and Professionals](#)

### **July 3, 2021 - Mon Sheong Foundation Scholarship**

Founded in Toronto in 1964 as a charitable organization to promote Chinese culture and heritage through caring for the elderly and nurturing the young, Mon Sheong Foundation offers the Mon Sheong Golden Jubilee Scholarship. Check out their website for more details:

[Golden Jubilee Scholarship – Mon Sheong Foundation](#)

### **July 16, 2021 - The OBCL Epilepsy Scholarship**

This scholarship is awarded to graduating Ontario high school students who live with epilepsy and will be entering their first year of post-secondary education this fall.

[2021 Epilepsy Ontario Scholarship Application](#)

### **July 30, 2021 - LDAYR Scholarship**

The Learning Disabilities Association of York Region is proud to announce our first LDAYR Scholarship (\$5,000).

[Scholarship 2021 – Learning Disabilities Association of York Region](#)

### **July 31, 2021 - BFCN Scholarship and Award**

Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN) - 10th Annual BFCN Scholarship and 7th Annual BFCN Aim to Achieve Award

[SCHOLARSHIPS – BFCN](#)

## **Crisis Mental Health Support for Students**

For a variety of support services and agencies, please refer to the following list:

- 310-COPE [www.yssn.ca](http://www.yssn.ca): 905-310-COPE (2673) or 1-855-310-COPE (2673) - available 24/7
- [www.KidsHelpPhone.ca](http://www.KidsHelpPhone.ca): 1-800-668-6868, text 686868 - available 24/7
- Mental Health Helpline <https://www.ontario.ca/page/mental-health-services>: 1-866-531-2600 - available 24/7
- York Hills Help Phone Line: 905-503-9561 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:30-4:00 pm; for children & youth (0-18 years), parents, caregivers or adult supporters. Visit [www.yorkhills.ca](http://www.yorkhills.ca) for more information.
- Markham Stouffville Hospital [www.msh.on.ca](http://www.msh.on.ca): 905-472-7000
- Poison Control [www.ontariopoisoncentre.ca](http://www.ontariopoisoncentre.ca): 1-800-268-9017

- Lesbian Gay BI Trans Youth Line [www.youthline.ca](http://www.youthline.ca): 1-888-687-9689
- Trans Lifeline [www.translifeline.org](http://www.translifeline.org): 1-877-330-6366
- Black Youth Helpline [www.blackyouth.ca](http://www.blackyouth.ca): 1-833-294-8650
- York Region Children's Aid Society [www.yorkcas.org](http://www.yorkcas.org): 905-895-2318
- York Region Abuse Program [www.centralhealthline.ca](http://www.centralhealthline.ca): 905-895-3646
- Police-Fire-Ambulance 911



## Coming together to enjoy Summer and prepare for the Fall



**In partnership with the York Region District School Board, York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families presents...**

### **RESET AND RECHARGE - HOW TO RECONNECT WITH YOUR FAMILY AND SET UP FOR A SUCCESSFUL**

**SUMMER!** Presented by: Salwa Mawji (York Hills Clinical Navigator) and Ameena Ali (YRDSB Social Worker) What a school year it has been! With the back and forth from face to face to online, and the uncertainty of imminent lock downs, this was a year like no other. Now, as the weather begins to warm and the summer begins, we recognize that parents/caregivers and children/youth, might have questions about what the summer will bring. This webinar aims to talk about the transition from school to summer, and provide parents/caregivers with the skills and techniques to reconnect with their children in a supportive and fun way.

[Thursday July 8 | 6:30PM-8:00PM | Zoom](#)

### **LETTING GO! FOSTERING SELF-COMPASSION AND SELF-CARE IN THE MIDST OF ANTICIPATED CHANGES AND CHALLENGES THAT MAY LIE AHEAD**

Presented by: Phoebe Chan (York Hills Child and Family Therapist) and Ameena Ali (YRDSB Social Worker) Feeling stressed out? Is the uncertainty of anticipated changes wearing you down? Being a parent/caregiver during these unprecedented times can be difficult. Being kind to yourself is more important than ever. This webinar aims to provide strategies for fostering self-compassion and the importance of caring for your own mental and physical well-being. In this webinar you will specifically learn how to be in tune with your own mental health and well-being in order to support your children and youth. [Thursday July 29 | 6:30PM-8:00PM | Zoom](#)

### **RIGHT FOOT FORWARD - HOW TO START SCHOOL OFF ON THE RIGHT FOOT**

Presented by: Joanna Allison (York Hills Child and Family Therapist) and Elana Presement (YRDSB Social Worker) The past two school years have been unpredictable for parents, children and youth. You may be asking yourself, "What will school look like in September?" It is common for parents/caregivers to experience anxiety and uncertainty related to academics, social and emotional well-being, and attending in-person or virtual learning. The same can be said for children and youth. This webinar will help you feel empowered in your role as a parent/caregiver navigating back to school routines and ensuring that your child has a smooth transition to the new school year.


[Thursday August 12 | 6:30PM-8:00PM | Zoom](#)

### **CHECKING IN - HOW'S IT GOING SO FAR IN THIS SCHOOL YEAR?**

Presented by: Laurie Blow (York Hills Intensive Child and Family Worker) and Elana Presement (YRDSB Social Worker)

One month down, things are not going as planned at school. Now what? Join us to discuss what did and didn't work and how to troubleshoot for the future. Recognize that all plans need a back up, and we are here to support you in discovering some new ways of being and tackling these obstacles. Parents/caregivers will walk away with information and tools to help their child(ren) feel confident and successful, no matter the changes or transitions, and will learn ways to empower children/youth to find their voice at school and at home.

[Thursday October 7 | 6:30PM-8:00PM | Zoom](#)

[Click to Register](#) or scan the barcode! - 905- 503-9560 [www.yorkhills.ca](http://www.yorkhills.ca) Find us on: 







# NUBIAN BOOK CLUB

Inspire And Be Inspired

**DATES:**

Thursday July 8, 2021  
Thursday July 22, 2021  
Thursday Aug 5, 2021

**TIME:**

6:30 pm

**FORMAT:**

Zoom link to be provided  
upon registration

**BOOK:**

*We Want to do more than Survive*  
by Bettina Love

**FOCUS:**

**"TOWARDS  
LIBERATION FOR  
BLACK STUDENTS  
& COMMUNITIES"**

**Book Club:** Each year we have explored aspects of Blackness through reading and discussion. This summer we wish to explore how abolitionist teaching could aid in the quest for Black students to have educational freedom. Our conversations will work to support youth to identify and triumph over barriers while holding systems accountable for change.

*Book Club Groups facilitated by:*

*Jeewan Chanicka \*Dr. Carl James \*Clayton La Touche \*Dr. Camille Logan \*Tisha Nelson \*Cecil Roach  
Dr. Vidya Shah \*Darcie Sutherland \*Dr. Kimberley Tavares*

**Building Bridges:**

Nubian Book Club is a network of students, parents, educators and community members who are engaged in the academic and social well-being of students. The Nubian Book Club uses literacy as a tool for advancing student success, leadership skills and community engagement among youth, particularly those of African Caribbean heritage.

***Hear words of wisdom from great mentors and enjoy friendship and networking.***

NO purchase of books or pre-reading required. Excerpts of books will be provided during each Nubian Book Club session.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL  
Donna Cardoza at: 905-479-5821

TO REGISTER, GO TO:  
[NBC 2021 REGISTRATION](#)

***"A Reading Nation, Is a Winning Nation"***

[Click to Register](#)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO

# MODEL PARLIAMENT

**VIRTUAL**



**September to December 2021**

The Legislative Assembly of Ontario is happy to announce the launch of a **NEW** Virtual Model Parliament Program. This program will culminate in a 2-day online debate on **December 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021**.

## **Who can apply?**

Ontario students who will be in grades 10–12 during the program dates with an interest in current affairs, provincial issues and government.

## **Why apply?**

This program offers civic minded students a unique opportunity to gain a hands-on understanding of Ontario's Legislature. Participants will get to workshop their own party's bill, participate in engaging virtual workshops with key figures in Parliament, and debate all party bills in a unique online experience.

**Visit our website for more information and  
to apply!**

[www.ola.org/en/visit-learn/programs](http://www.ola.org/en/visit-learn/programs)

**Online applications will be accepted from  
June 15<sup>th</sup> to September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021.**



[Click here for more information.](#)



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