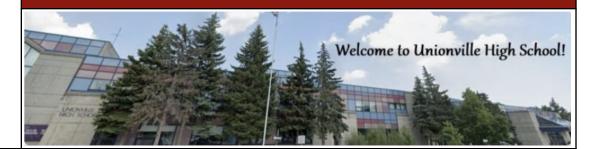


UHS Parent Weekly Bulletin –Vol.34

Friday, May 14, 2021



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Extensions:

Reception - 431 Attendance - 230 Guidance - 458

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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			

17		18		19		20		21	
				AM - modified schedule PM - feedback					
24		25		26		27		28	
Victoria Day									

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, May 17	 AMV1/2/3/4MM - Virtual Guest Artist Andrew Adridge (9:50AM) AMK1/2/3/4MM - Virtual Guest Speaker Vanessa Yu (9:50AM)
Tuesday, May 18	
Wednesday, May 19	
Thursday, May 20	FEEDBACK DAY - MODIFIED SCHEDULE
Friday, May 21	 NAC101 Virtual Workshop with Deron Douglas (9:00AM) Computer Club - Virtual Guest Speaker Almond Au Head of Customer Engineering at Google (3:15 PM)

Upcoming Feedback Day

For the upcoming Feedback Day on Thursday, May 20, we will be using the modified schedule below. Teachers will contact individual students and/or families as necessary during the afternoon feedback portion of the day.

Period 1 - 8:30 - 9:05 AM
Period 2 - 9:10 - 9:45 AM
Period 3 - 9:50 - 10:25 AM
Period 4 - 10:30 - 11:05 AM
Lunch - 11:05 AM – 12:25 PM
Feedback - 12:25 - 3:00 PM

Trustee Determination and Distribution Study

To prepare for the 2022 Municipal Election, York Region District School Board is undertaking a review of school board trustee electoral areas in what is officially called a Trustee Determination and Distribution Study.

The Board of Trustees is committed to ensuring that, as the region's population changes, electoral areas reflect the communities we serve. To achieve this, the Board has retained the services of a consultant team to conduct a review and prepare recommendations for the Board's consideration on the trustee electoral area boundaries.

Throughout the process there will be a number of ways for you to learn more about the review and to provide input. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, you are invited to participate in an upcoming virtual consultation session with consultants, Ms. Beate Bowron and Dr. Gary Davidson.

You are also welcome to provide input through a survey that will be available May 14 - June 18.

Virtual Consultation Date	Registration Information
Monday, May 17, 2021 7:00 p.m.	 Listen only telephone access: 647-497-9389 and pin # 392-167-690 Registration link for online attendees: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8684 232422316706061
Wednesday, May 26, 2021 7:00 p.m.	 Listen only telephone access: 647-497-9368 and pin # 871-209-738 Registration link for online attendees: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1294 907353152832012

Information on the trustee electoral areas review, including process, timelines, presentations and reports will be available on the Board's <u>website</u>. You will also find upcoming dates of public meetings and the online survey to complete.

Your input is important to the Board of Trustees. We invite you to complete the online survey by **June 18** and attend public meetings as they are scheduled.

Should you have questions about the review process, please email trustee.services@yrdsb.ca.

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 and follow us on Twitter @YRDSB.

Ontario Skills Competition

Congratulations to our Gold Medal Winners **Nimish Patri** (grade 9; STEM) in the category of "IT Networking" and **Wilbur Zhang** (grade 12) in the category of "Graphic Design Studio."

They will be moving on to the Skills Canada Virtual National Competition. They have made the UHS community very proud.

We know they will represent us well in the next level of competition.

Wellness Council: Art From Our Hearts Contest

Calling all creative Wolves!! The UHS Wellness Council is hosting this year's wellness arts competition, "Art From Our Hearts," to bring our creativity together and break down the barriers surrounding mental health. The purpose of this competition is to promote artwork that communicates the message of this year's Mental Health Week: Understanding and Expressing Our Emotions. Your artwork can be about this theme, mental health, youth wellness and anything that encourages or talks about issues related to mental health and wellness!

This is YOUR opportunity to create works of art including videos, songs, poetry, posters, etc. (the possibilities are endless!) and submit them to us for a chance to win a \$50 Chipotle Gift Card and have your work shared publicly and promoted by Wellness Council for years to come. The winners will be voted on by the student body through an anonymous Google Form to ensure fairness.

Please keep all submissions appropriate and visit our submission google form for more information. All submissions will be confidential until consent is sought for access by the school community. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to message the @uhshealthandwellness Instagram account. We're looking forward to seeing all your pieces and the creativity that UHS students have to offer!

Sign Up Form Link: https://forms.gle/3QXq7stZqnttT4CW7

Sign Up Form Deadline: FRIDAY, MAY 28, 2021 @11:59 PM

UHS Feed the Need

A survey of 561 people across Canada on food insecurity demonstrated that 81% of the respondents came to the realization that food insecurity severely impacted their health. A variety of research has shown that food insecure individuals have a higher chance of suffering from major illnesses such as heart disease and diabetes. The UHS Feed the Need initiative is taking a stand to improve the health and well-being of our community. We encourage all students, staff, families, and members of the local community to please donate to our cause at https://fbyr.ca/uhs/.

In addition, any UHS student who donates \$5 or more will be entered into the raffle to win awesome prizes! Prizes include a \$50 Demetres gift card, 2 \$25 Starbucks gift cards from Longos, a \$50 Running Free Gift Card and a \$50 Smash Kitchen Gift Card! Please see the photo for more information on the raffle. Don't forget to enter 'UHS Feed the Need' in the field 'How did you hear about us?' to enter the raffle. We encourage you to follow us on Instagram (@uhsfeedtheneed) and visit our initiative website:

https://sites.google.com/gapps.yrdsb.ca/uhsfeedtheneed/home?authuser=2.

Stay tuned for more details about deadlines for donations and raffle entry! Thank you for your support!

HOW TO DONATE TO THE YORK REGION FOOD BANK!

- 1. Donate on the <u>YRFB donation</u> <u>page</u> through the link in our bio
- 2. Donate <u>\$5 or more</u> to be entered in the raffle!
- 3.Go to <u>'How did you hear about us?'</u>
- 4. Type <u>'UHS Feed the Need'</u> to get entered in the raffle!
- 5. You're done! Thank you for supporting the YRFB!

Moving Forward a Bold 2SLGBTQ+ Agenda in Canada

How can we foster equity and inclusion for 2SLGBTQ+ communities in Canada? On Monday, May 17 at 2:00 pm, International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia (IDAHOT), join Wisdom2Action for a virtual chat with 2SLGBTQ+ leaders about Moving Forward a Bold 2SLGBTQ+ Agenda in Canada.

To register, please click here.

Canadian Youth Champions

Please join our discussion on the importance of public service with guest speaker the Honourable Mary Ng: Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade, who has more than 30 years of experience in the areas of public service (Provincial and Federal) and education (Ryerson University, Ontario Ministry of Education). Her experience and story as a female cabinet minister will inspire many youth. This will be done in an interview format and open Q&A.

We would like to invite you to attend this virtual event on Saturday, May 22 at 1:00 PM. Please RSVP at the link below by Monday, May 17.

www.thecyc.org/events

Also, the CYC has been funded by the federal government's 'Canada Summer Jobs Program' and has 8 positions this year. We continue to seek youth who are interested in joining our team of dedicated and passionate individuals who care about the success of our community. Please click here to find out more about summer jobs.

UHS Graduation Ceremony & Valedictorian

As we look forward to celebrating the achievements of our graduating Grade 12 class in June, we are writing to provide you with an update on graduation planning.

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, we regret that we will be unable to hold an in-person graduation ceremony. Please know that we share your disappointment that we are unable to celebrate your child's achievements and mark this important milestone in person. However, it is essential that we continue to adhere to public health guidelines to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. Our priority continues to be the health and safety of our students, families and staff members. In its place, all schools in York Region District School Board will be hosting virtual graduation ceremonies for Grade 12 students. This virtual graduation will include both our "face-to-face" students and the students who participated in our secondary virtual school model together in one ceremony.

While we may have to celebrate differently, we are incredibly proud of our graduates and are committed to making this occasion a special one for graduates and their families and friends. Our virtual graduation will be a celebration of the hard work, dedication and achievements of our graduates.

We have already contacted graduates to ask them if they would like their picture and name included in our graduation video. Please remind graduates to check their gapps email in order to access the Graduation 2021 Video Form. In the form, graduates must choose one of the following:

- a) upload their own Grad-Selfie
- b) use their grade 11 school photo
- c) use a generic silhouette
- d) request that their photo and name be excluded

Students have been asked to submit their preference using the Graduation 2021 Video Form no later than Monday, May 17 by 9:00 am. In cases where a parent or adult student does not want a photo and name to be included, non-consent must be indicated in this form. If the form is not submitted by May 17, we will

use a silhouette and the student's legal name in the video. Parents/guardians of those graduates who are under 18 should express their non-consent using the form or by contacting us at unionville.hs@yrdsb.ca no later than May 17.

We have also sent graduates the Valedictorian Self-Nomination Form which includes details on how the valedictorian will be chosen. This form is also due by Monday, May 17 at 9:00 am. Again, graduates are encouraged to check their gapps email for this form.

A link to the virtual ceremony will be shared through a secure portal. The virtual ceremony is scheduled for the week of July 5-8 in order to ensure that we have the requisite time to finalize the ceremony details once courses are completed and final marks are submitted. The link will be available for one week from the scheduled date of the virtual ceremony.

We will be sharing more information in the weeks ahead and look forward to celebrating our graduates with you.

Fast Track Student Conference

The YRDSB Pathways Team is happy to announce that the **Fast Track Student Conference** is taking place on the evenings of May 19th and May 20th. This two-day virtual event will begin each evening at 5:30 p.m. with a YRDSB focus on employment and networking connections followed by the Build a Dream Career EXPO at 6:00 p.m.

This event is intended for graduating students who are leaving secondary school at the end of the semester and are interested or currently working in the skilled trades towards apprenticeship, or are OYAP or Accelerated OYAP students, and/or are leaving secondary school at the end of the semester and are entering directly to the workforce, and/or are currently enrolled grade 12 SHSM students heading to apprenticeship or the workplace. (This event would be a 'Reach Ahead' opportunity.)

This conference provides valuable information for students and their families regarding their transition to the workplace and/or apprenticeship.

The registration deadline is Monday, May 17th at 4:00 pm.

To register, please go to http://bit.ly/FastTrack4GRADS. (Registration requires a GAPPS email account.)

Click on the links below for more information about the event:

- Agenda for the Fast Track Student Conference and Career EXPO
- <u>FastTrack4GRADS_poster</u>

Guest Speaker: Almond Au, Head of Customer Engineering at Google

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Topic: High School to Google & Lessons Learned

Date & Time: Friday May 21, 2021; 3:15 - 4:15 pm (via Google Meet)

Unionville High School's Computer Studies Department in collaboration with the Computer Science Club is pleased to have **Almond Au**, **Head of Customer Engineering at Google** as a guest speaker. This informative session will take place on Friday May 21, 3:15 - 4:15 pm via Google meet.

Instructions on how to pre-register for this session will be sent out to students by their respective teachers and club supervisors. This session will help students to acquire knowledge and strategies to prepare for a career in the Computer Science & Engineering industry.

Summer Pathways Program - 2021

Please click the link below to access more information on the 2021 Summer Pathways Program.

Summer Pathways Program for 2021

Scholarship News

Continue to check the Guidance Moodle for upcoming scholarship information as well as application and eligibility details.

Please note: Scholarship information is intended for graduating students that plan to attend a post secondary institution in 2021-2022.

Upcoming Scholarship Information:

The Scholarship Report (February - May), (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)

May 24th, 2021 - Direct application

Jean Lumb Awards - Jean Lumb Foundation: Jean Lumb Awards

June 1st, 2021:

Canadian Pediatric Stroke and Acquired Brain Injury Survivors Scholarship Application

www.achievingbevondbraininjury.com

Crisis Mental Health Support for Students

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

- 310-COPE <u>www.yssn.ca</u>: 905-310-COPE (2673) or 1-855-310-COPE (2673) available 24/7
- 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.vorkhills.ca for more information.
- Markham Stouffville Hospital <u>www.msh.on.ca</u>: 905-472-7000
- Poison Control www.ontariopoisoncentre.ca: 1-800-268-9017
- Lesbian Gay BI Trans Youth Line www.youthline.ca: 1-888-687-9689
- Trans Lifeline <u>www.translifeline.org</u>: 1-877-330-6366
- Black Youth Helpline <u>www.blackyouth.ca</u>: 1-833-294-8650
- York Region Children's Aid Society www.yorkcas.org: 905-895-2318
- York Region Abuse Program www.centralhealthline.ca: 905-895-3646
- Police-Fire-Ambulance 911

EDUCATION INTERRUPTED: PARENT ENGAGEMENT FOR LIBERATION



This webinar series will engage parents & caregivers, scholars and community leaders in dialogue to imagine what a meaningful anti-racist model of parent/caregiver engagement could look like.

Join us and learn from Black and racialized parents, scholars and community leaders confronting racism within schooling.

Let us imagine the possibilities of a future where all families are welcome!

Connecting to **Communities Webinar Series**



Race. Power and Parent Engagement

May 31, 2021 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Navigating the Education System: Breaking Barriers to Parent Engagement

June 14, 2021 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Power of Possibilities: Solidarity & **Imaginings**

June 28, 2021 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

To Register:

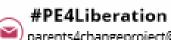
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parents4changeproject@gmail.com

Click to Register





Alliance of Educators for Black Students (AEBS) Student & Family Event

When

Thursday, May 27, 2021 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm (EST)

Registration

Please register via bit.ly/3eHpIMB by May 25, 2021.

In a year that has punctuated the impact of anti-Black racism across systems, people of African descent around the world are choosing to resist through JOY.

This is an event that supports Black-Identifying students and their families from YRDSB and the community. We are providing a Black-affirming space for dialogue and community building in a safe forum. We will have specific break-out sessions for adults and students. Having separate devices is recommended.

Special Guests Include:

Tracey Elleston Thomas (YRDBS Identity Specific Social Worker)
Jay Martin (comedian) and Nadia Hohn(storyteller)
YRDSB Student Panelists- Julius Adu, Renee Wint-White

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For additional information please contact aebsca@gmail.com



Raising Children With an Intercultural Lens

Guest Speaker:

Varenya Kuhathaas

Family Services York Region

Presented by:

Family Service for York Region

YRDSB Performance Plus Schools

Milliken Mills, Highgate and Wilclay Public Schools,

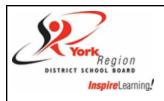
Inclusive School and Community Services, YRDSB

Date: May 17th, 2021

Time: 7:00 - 8:30pm

Registration: bit.ly/3eCuaqz

Registration Deadline: May 16th, 2021



Parent Engagement Panel Discussion (Mandarin session)

Raising Children with an Intercultural Lens

中西文化衝突下的育兒之道

-- 解析在育兒過程中遇到的困惑和挑戰

Guest Panelists / 普诵話講座嘉賓

Dr. Lixia Yang

楊麗霞教授

Professor of Psychology,Ryerson University

瑞爾森大學心理學系教授

Co-founder, WeSupport

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Julia Shen

沈近嘉

Certified NVC
 Trainer Candidate

非暴力溝通認證培訓師候選人

- Founder, Space for Heart 心空間創辦人
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Performance Plus 學校 - Milliken Mills, Highgate, 和Wilclay公立學校

YRDSB 約克區教育局共融校園和社區資源服務部

FSYR - Family Services York Region 約克區家庭服務中心

WeSupport 加華心理健康互助平台日期:2021年5月17日

時間:晚上7:00 - 9:00

點這裡報名 | bit.ly/33yh7QD

報名截止日期5月16日 2021



SCIENCE FAIR

May 31st - June 30th

Join in on the challenge to engage in a scientific research project. Submit your project to be reviewed by a panel of judges for a chance to win awesome prizes. The prizes will be revealed on May 31st.

Participate solo or in groups of up to 4. This event is open to participants in grades 3 to 12 and judging will be based on three age categories:

- > Junior (grades 3-5)
- > Intermediate (grades 6-8)
- > Senior (grades 9-12)



For more information visit: www.vaughanpl.info/sciencefair



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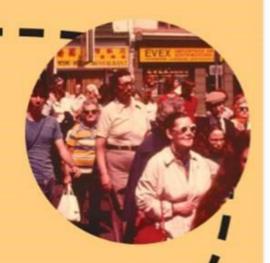




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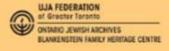
A VIRTUAL TOUR OF TORONTO'S JEWISH MARKET

The Ontario Jewish Archives presents the first-ever virtual tour of Kensington Market. Watch the streets come to life though guided videos presenting the sights and sounds of the one-time Jewish Market. Learn about the history of Toronto's Jewish community and the challenges and opportunities they faced in the early twentieth century. Along the way you will discover stories of migration, employment, activism, community, culture and more.



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COME & HANG OUT WITH US!

SOC-ABILITY VIRTUAL CLUB

A new weekly virtual social club for teens and young adults in the community looking to connect with peers in an adapted and supported space!

It's tough to be away from friends and can be harder to make new ones while we're all staying safe at home. Check out Soc-Ability for a virtual connection with other teens and young adults with unique needs in Aurora and surrounding communities! This program includes;

- An opportunity to meet new people and socialize with likeminded peers in an adapted and supported space.
- Practice social skills in a safe and friendly environment.
- Have fun with trivia, games and themed chat topics!
- All abilities are welcome.

Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

May 25th - June 15th Ages 16 to 21 Years

Cost: FREE Code: 22376

Visit aurora.ca/InclusionServices for more info or to register today!

