



VAUGHAN SECONDARY SCHOOL

1401 Clark Avenue West
Thornhill, Ontario
L4J 7R4

Tel: 905.660.1397
Fax: 905.660.0318
vaughan.ss@yrdsb.ca

December 23rd, 2016

Semester 1, January Exam Schedule, 2017

Period	Date of Exams
1	Thursday, January 26 th
2	Friday, January 27 th
3	Monday, January 30 th
4	Tuesday, January 31 st
5	Wednesday, February 1 st
Exam Review Day	Thursday, February 2nd

York Region Public Health – Immunization Information

If parents/guardians or students receive a letter from York Region Public Health requesting immunization information, here's what to do:

Update York Region Public Health on your child's immunization status in one of the following ways:

- Online at <https://eimmunization.york.ca>
- Fax documents to 905-895-6066 or 1-866-258-2026
- Mail immunization information to Immunization Services, Box 147, Newmarket, ON L3Y 6Z1

Call York Region Public Health at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 73456

Drama Corner

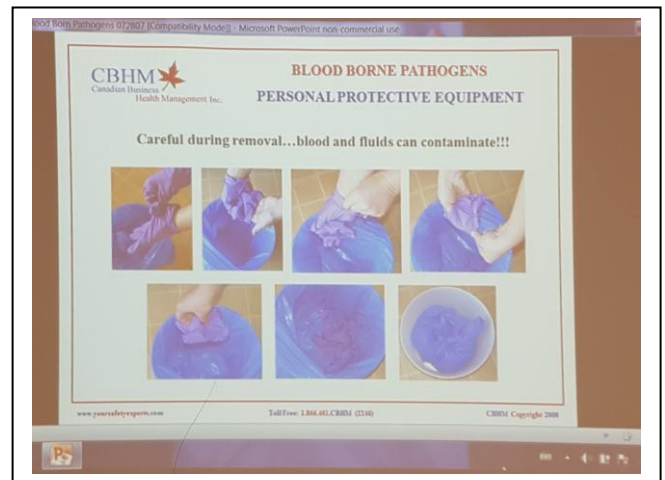


Drama Department: Students in the Drama Department are finishing up performances before Winter Break begins! Our young actors are in the Holiday Spirit!!



SHSM Health and Wellness

On December 20th, 2016, grade 11 and 12 students in the SHSM Health and Wellness Program were given the opportunity to participate in an enriched infection control workshop led by Linda Haley, a certified nurse and CBHM, instructor. Students were informed of the precautions and procedures to take in case of emergencies where infected bodily fluids were to be present. This workshop was held with the intention of ensuring students' awareness of personal protection as well as protection of others in the environment. Lastly, students were tested on how to apply what they learned in real life scenarios that involve putting their health at risk. This was done through an interactive activity as well as a small knowledge test. Overall, this workshop was extremely beneficial to everyone as it taught us what choices to make in order to not put ourselves and others at risk of infections.





Need help
paying for
college or
university?

**Free
Tuition**
for eligible
students

See how much you can get at ontario.ca/osap



The new OSAP

If your family income is under \$50,000 a year, your tuition is covered. Even if your family earns more, the new OSAP is still there to help you.

See how much you can get.
ontario.ca/osap

**Free
Tuition**
for eligible
students

ontario.ca/osap



Guidance News

Hello parents and guardians,

As we head into the holidays, all our students are ready for an emotional and cognitive break. This two weeks can also be a great time to have meaningful conversations with your child(ren) about their future.

Asking questions about where your child feels successful or where they are most engaged in their learning can be a helpful place to start. Our YRDSB website has a great resource that lists conversation starters to help. <http://www.yrdsb.ca/Parents/IPP/Pages/Conversation-Starters.aspx>

When we return, our students will begin the process of choosing courses for next school year. Students can now access our course catalog (with all courses we're offering for next year) at this website https://www.careercruising.com/individual/CP_CourseCalendar.aspx?SysG=C42F045E-3DD1-4F45-81C2-4042E775529C&SchCode=317 . I encourage all parents to review courses and our offerings; this can be a great point of conversation with your child.

As a reminder:

- **For students applying to university, application online should be completed by January 11th.** This is the equal-consideration date. To access the slides from my university application presentation, please visit <https://goo.gl/M64Vad> (your child will have to log in through their GAPPS account in order to access the slides ([<https://google.yrdsb.ca/>])).
- **Students applying to college should apply before February 1st.** To access the slides from my college application presentation, please visit <https://goo.gl/VzCsbF> (your child will have to log in through their GAPPS account in order to access the slides ([<https://google.yrdsb.ca/>])).

I wish all of you a peaceful and restful holiday!

Andrew Gazaneo
Head of Guidance and Career Education
Vaughan Secondary School
1401 Clark Ave. W., Thornhill, L4J 7R4
P: 905-660-1397 x164
F: 905-660-0318
E: andrew.gazaneo@yrdsb.ca

Inspire Learning!



**Minister's
Student
Advisory
Council**



Students in grades 7–12!

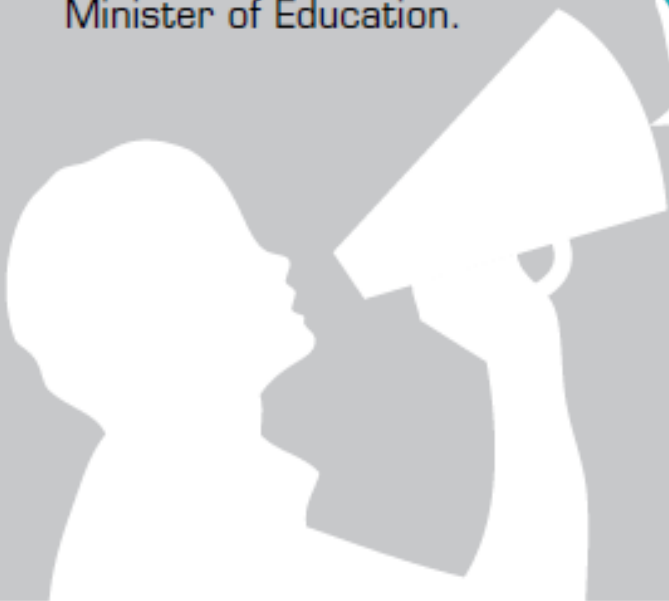
2017–18 Minister's Student Advisory Council (MSAC)

Apply now!

MSAC is a group of 60 students from publicly funded schools all across Ontario who share their ideas and advice with the Minister of Education.



PLEASE APPLY!
The council celebrates
student diversity and
seeks all perspectives
and experiences.



Find out more at
ontario.ca/speakup

Deadline is

February 9, 2017



YOU ARE THE STUDENT VOICE | ONTARIO.CA/SPEAKUP



SPEAKUP