

# WENDAT WEEKLY

## FROM THE PRINCIPALS' DESK

Hello Families,

It has been a busy week at Wendat Village P.S! We started the week with Cross-Country Areas. Congratulations on all the hard work and effort students demonstrated. We have 15 students that will continue on to Regionals next week! We appreciate all the hard work that teachers and staff do to support student initiatives. A reminder that all players, coaches and spectators must adhere to the Spectator Code of Conduct that has been implemented by the YRDSB. The Code of Conduct is posted in the weekly below.

Thank you to families that came out to the School Council meeting on Wednesday. School Council voted on the WVPS Fundraising Plan for the year! We look forward to continuing to support and build positive relationships with the school community.

A friendly reminder that Monday is a P.A day. There is no school for students, due to the professional learning that will take place for educators in the building.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Sheryl Gray  
Principal

Kelly Maggiras  
Vice-Principal

## PARENT / FAMILY CHECKLIST



Know how to reach us  
phone : (905) 642-8095  
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*Unionville High School  
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# Important Back-to-School Reminders

As we finish the first few weeks of school, we want to share a few important reminders and updates.

## Contact Information

We ask families to ensure the school office has the most up-to-date contact information. This is important in case of emergencies and to ensure you receive important school communications. If your contact information has changed, please contact the school office. This includes phone numbers, addresses and email addresses.

## Family Portal

York Region District School Board is looking forward to launching a family portal later this year. The portal will make it easier for you to access information about your child's education in a secure and accessible way. To access the portal, it will be essential that the school has an updated email address for you. Please contact the school office if you need to update your email address. We look forward to sharing more information about this initiative with you soon.

## School Start-Up Forms

Parents/guardians received an email from YRDSB Update with a link to school start-up forms. These forms must be completed as soon as possible at the start of the school year as they contain information and permissions.

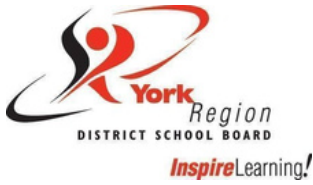
The forms can be found at <https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/>. Translated versions are also available.

[Tips are available](#) on the Board website if you need additional information on how to log in to the Student GAPPS account to complete the forms. Please note:

- You must sign in to your child's student GAPPS account to complete the form.
- You must complete a separate form for each child attending school. Please ensure you log out of one student account before logging into another. You will not be able to submit the form twice logged into the same student account.
- If you prefer to complete the forms on paper or have questions about the information in the forms, please contact the school office.
- Secondary school students can complete the secondary school student form at <https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/students>. They will also receive the link in their student GAPPS account. Elementary school students do not need to complete these student forms.

## Board Website

Helpful information can be found on the YRDSB website at [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca). A translation tool at the top of each page can translate content into over 80 languages. On the website, you can find information about board programs and student supports, as well as [online tools for students](#), [community supports](#) and [family resources](#) such as [translation information](#) and the [Guide to the School Year](#).



Inclusive School and Community Services, in partnership with the Canadian Centre for Housing Rights, is offering:

### **Tenants' Housing Rights Free Virtual Workshops Fall 2024**

All parents, guardians and staff are welcome to attend any of the free virtual workshops.

October 9th	1:00-2:30 pm	October 22nd	6:30-8:00 pm
October 28th	9:30-11:00 am	November 6th	6:30-8:00 pm
November 18th	1:00-2:30 pm	November 26th	9:30-11:00 am

### **Topics covered during each session by guest speakers:**

Ayesha Adamjee, Program Lawyer, Canadian Centre for Housing Rights  
Matthew Cheng, Program Lawyer, Canadian Centre for Housing Rights  
Jessica Long, Program Lawyer, Canadian Centre for Housing Rights

- Beginning and ending a tenancy
- Maintenance
- Privacy
- Rent control
- Human rights, discrimination and accommodation
- Eviction prevention

Once you register, we will send you invites and links to the workshops.

Please [REGISTER](#) here.

For more information, contact:

Yvonne Kelly, Community and Partnership Developer at [iscs@yrdsb.ca](mailto:iscs@yrdsb.ca)  
or 905-895-5155 ext. 5124

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With generous support from:



International Walk to School Month (IWALK) is an annual celebration of active transportation that takes place around the world throughout the month of October. IWALK Month officially launches October 2, 2024.

When walking to school, here are some important safety tips to remember:

- Look all ways before you cross the street.
- Always STOP, LOOK and LISTEN before crossing.
- Cross at intersections and crosswalks, when possible.
- Always make eye contact with drivers before you cross the street.
- Obey traffic signals and signs.
- Use a sidewalk if there is one.

For anyone who can't walk or cycle to school every day, we encourage you to try choosing an active mode of travel two or three times a week or consider parking and walking a block to decrease the pollution and improve safety around your school.

If you choose to drive, please be mindful of students who walk and cycle, drive slowly and be highly vigilant of your surroundings. If your child is eligible for the bus/student transportation, have them walk to the bus stop. Riding the bus is sustainable!



## Build Healthy Habits Now

The start of the school year is a good time to develop healthy habits!

We know that mornings can be busy. Did you know that walking, riding your bike or using another [active form of travel](#) to school even just a few times a week could:

- improve physical and mental health and academic achievement
- encourage social interaction and build connections
- develop road safety skills
- develop lifelong healthy habits
- improve air quality, traffic congestion and safety around school zones
- parents and family members meet other families in your neighbourhood and at the school
- give you additional time to connect with your child
- enhance the sense of community in your neighbourhood

Consider walking or wheeling to school on a regular basis. If you drive, consider parking a few blocks away and walking the rest of the way. Even using active travel a few times a week can make a big difference.

Start building healthy habits now, and stay tuned for more events throughout the year to support active travel to school.

### A Safe School Year

We encourage families wherever possible to take the school bus or to choose active travel. If you are driving, please remember that our school zones are busy with students and families. It is important that we all follow the rules to ensure student safety.

- Use the kiss and ride. Do not use dedicated bus lanes.
- Consider parking near the school and walking the rest of the way (obeying all neighbourhood parking rules) or using active travel.
- Obey all speed limits and road traffic signs in school zones. Watch for crossing guards and students crossing the road.

Let's all work together to help to ensure a safe school year!



# YRDSB SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT

Being a spectator (*or presenter, player or performer*) at our school is a privilege. Events are extensions of our school day, so all School and Board policies and procedures apply. To be permitted to attend events, all students, staff, parents, caregivers and guests must follow the Spectator Code of Conduct and the directives of school administrators or designates.

## BE COURTEOUS AND RESPECTFUL

School events are intended to build school culture, spirit and community. Presenters, players and performers have worked hard for these events. Let's keep these events positive, fun and safe for everyone. Show respect for players, staff, coaches, spectators and officials.

## BE POSITIVE

Verbal taunts, negative chants or signage towards players, staff, coaches, spectators and officials are prohibited. Positive cheers and signs are welcome! Verbal altercations, abusive language (*including sexist, racist, homophobic and transphobic language*), and physical altercations are prohibited.

## PRIVACY RULES APPLY

Photographs or videos are prohibited unless there is written permission from the student(s) and/or the staff who are being filmed. Coaches or other representatives from private organizations may not solicit players at YRDSB events (*unless, in certain circumstances, there is prior permission granted from a school administrator*).

## RESPECT PLAYING SPACES

Only players, coaches, and officials are permitted in playing spaces. Spectators must remain in the designated areas (*i.e. bleachers, stands*). Items must not be thrown into the playing or performing space.

## RESPECT CHANGING SPACES

Only coaches (when appropriate) and players are permitted in change rooms. Change rooms are to be locked at all times.

## RESPECT OUR OFFICIALS

Decisions made by officials are final and are to be respected. Interference with gameplay, competition or a performance is prohibited.

## RESPECT PROPERTY AND TIME

All participants are responsible for their own property. Valuables must not be brought to or left unattended at school events. Once the event is concluded, all participants are expected to leave the school property shortly thereafter.

## BE RESPECTFUL AND SUPPORTIVE IN BOTH VICTORY AND DEFEAT

Regardless of the event outcome, all participants are expected to demonstrate appropriate behaviours.

**FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE YRDSB SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT MAY LEAD TO IMMEDIATE REMOVAL FROM THE EVENT AND ADDITIONAL CONSEQUENCES.**

Spectators must not present a safety concern.  
Concerns must be brought to the attention of the school administration.

**YORK REGIONAL POLICE**  
Emergency Call 911  
Non-Emergency  
Call 1-866-876-5423



# SAFE ARRIVALS AND PARKING LOT TIPS

Student Safety Is A Community Effort.

## 1. Walk, bike or scooter

Wendat Village P.S. is proud to be a 100% walking school. We encourage families to leave the keys, and walk when possible! Parking is free on side streets where signage is posted.



## 3. Have a meeting spot

End of day dismissal can be a busy time. We encourage families to create a family "meeting spot" near the edge of the school property to alleviate congestion, and to help avoid creating a parking lot backlog.

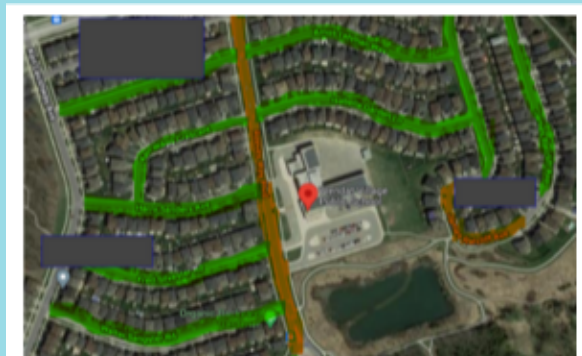
## 2. Front loop fines

Beware of standing or parking in the front loop along Reeves Way Blvd. This is an emergency fire route and is subject to ticketing and fines as per Whitchurch-Stouffville Bylaw. If you are entering the loop for any reason, you may be subject to costly tickets. **Wendat Village P.S. is not responsible for town issued parking tickets incurred while on school property.**



## FREE AREA PARKING

Please note that on-street parking is available within walking distance of Wendat Village P.S. All streets marked in green on the map below offer free 3-hour parking. Please obey town signage and parking bylaws when parking your vehicle.





# WENDAT VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL








## FUNDRAISING PLAN - 2024/2025

ITEM	COST
FIELD TRIPS - \$5/Student	\$ 3,040.00
SUPPLY TEACHERS FOR COACHES (\$316/day)	\$ 2,000.00
LIBRARY AV - screen, projector and speakers	\$ 7,820.00
COMMUNITY CLASS AV - interactive projector with dual pen functions	\$ 4,000.00
WISH LIST - \$100 PER TEACHER	\$ 3,600.00
AGENDAS	\$ 2,530.00
FOREST OF READING	\$ 750.00
PRESENTERS	
Year-long Author Series	\$ 1,000.00
Youth Speak Mental Health and Inclusivity - 6 week youth-led program for Grades 6-8	\$ 3,700.00
Indigeneous presenter (Voyageur) Christian Pilon - JK to 8 students help build a mini canoe and learn about Indigenous culture over the course of 5 days with 2-3 visits to the workshop. (\$6500) - will apply for a \$3000 grant to assist with the cost.	\$ 4,000.00
KINDERGARTEN OUTDOOR PLAY EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,000.00
HAWKS HOUSE RECESS MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,500.00
GRADUATION	\$ 1,000.00
COST SHARING	\$ 4,000.00
TOTAL	<u>\$ 40,940.00</u>



# October



Monday October 21	Tuesday October 22 Day 3	Wednesday October 23 DAY 4	Thursday October 24 DAY 5	Friday October 25 Day 1
<b>PA DAY No School</b>	<b>Int. Boys Volleyball Practice 8am</b>    <b>Int. Girls Volleyball Practice @ Lunch Recess</b>	  <b>Int. Girls Volleyball Practice @ Lunch Recess</b>  <b>Int. Concert Band 3:30-4:45pm</b>    <b>Int. Boys Volleyball</b> Away game vs. Oscar Peterson after school	<b>Int. Girls Volleyball Practice @ 8AM</b>    <b>Grade 8 Concert Band 1:00-1:45 pm</b>    <b>Girls Int. Volleyball</b> Home game vs. Ballantrae after school	  <b>Cross Country Regionals</b>    <b>Int. Boys Volleyball</b> Home game vs. Summitview after school

## Upcoming Events

Monday, October 21

November 1

November 4

November 4

November 6

November 6

November 8

November 13

November 14

November 15

-PA DAY - no school

-Diwali

- Fall Fire Drill #3

-Dental Screening

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- Grade 8s at Stouffville District Secondary School

-Report cards emailed

-**Photo retakes**

-Progress Report Card Interviews (pm)

-PA Day - Progress Report Card Interviews (am)

