



# Windham Ridge P.S. Community Newsletter



Week ending: **September 30, 2022**

## Two Weeks



at a

Glance

**Monday, October 3 (Day 3)**  
Return Student Registration  
Verification to the office with  
signatures and changes

**Monday, October 10 (no school)**  
Thanksgiving

**Tuesday, October 4 (Day 4)**

**Tuesday, October 11 (Day 3)**  
First day of Pizza

**Wednesday, October 5 (Day 5)**  
Yom Kippur- Diamond Day

**Wednesday, October 12 (Day 4)**  
School Council Nomination Meeting

**Thursday, October 6 (Day 1)**  
**In person Curriculum Night!**  
**See below for more information.**

**Thursday, October 13 (Day 5)**

**Friday, October 7 (Day 2)**  
Immunizations - for Grade 7-8  
School Council Nominations Due

**Friday, October 14 (Day 1)**

## Multifaith Observances



"Quiet Moment" by Tamara Kwapich

"This work is about resilience in knowing that even though the seasons change and

time moves on, there is beauty in the present moment and hope that the future is bright."

<http://tkwapich.com/>

Zarathushti (Zoroastrianism), 2 Mehragan  
Jainism, 2 Aymbil Ori (Second Half) begins  
Christianity, 2 World Communion Sunday

Judaism 4 Eve of Yom Kippur

Hinduism 4 Navaratri ends

Diamond Days Judaism 5 Yom Kippur

Buddhism 5 Bodhidharma Memorial

Hinduism 5 Dassehral

Islam 8 Mawlid al-Nabiy

Judaism 9 Eve of Sukkot

Buddhism 9 Pavarana Day

Full Moon 9 Full Moon

10 Thanksgiving Day (Canada)

Jainism 10 Atmasiddhi Rachna Divas

Buddhism 10 Kathina begins

Judaism 10 First Day of Sukkot

Judaism 11 Second Day of Sukkot

Zarathushti (Zoroastrianism) 12 Ghambar Ayathrem begins

Hinduism 13 Karwa Chauth

Buddhism 13 Nichiren Shonin Memorial



## Terry Fox Run September 29, 2022

On September 29th, our full school came together as a community and walked/ran around our school for one full hour. We learned about perseverance through Terry's inspirational story as we continue to support research to find a cure for cancer.

We are proud of our Windham Ridge PS fundraising efforts and look forward to sharing the total amount of raised funds with our community in next week's newsletter.



## School Council's Welcome Back BBQ

Thursday, September  
29, 2022



Our Windham Ridge PS Welcome Back BBQ was a wonderful community event! Families reconnected, staff, and students enjoyed the fall sunshine, and we all danced our way into the new school year!

Big thanks to our WRPS School Council for their commitment to our Windham Ridge PS family.

## YRDSB's Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee

Membership open to  
community volunteers!

The York Region District School Board invites applications from community volunteers for membership on the Board's Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee (EIAC).

The committee advises and supports the Board in fulfilling its commitment to ensuring that YRDSB schools and workplaces are equitable and inclusive places to learn and to work. Membership requires a commitment to attend meetings six times a year.

The deadline to apply is **November 1, 2022**. More information about this volunteer opportunity, including how to apply, is available on the Board [website](#).

Additional information about the Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee is contained in the Committee's Operational By-Law, included as Appendix D of the York Region District School Board [Operational By-Law](#).

[Click here to access more information.](#)

# Renewed Computer Technology Program

## Do you need a computer?

Renewed Computer Technology (RCT) is a not-for-profit, charitable organization that empowers learners, educators and not-for-profit organizations with increased access to information and communications technology (ICT), skill development and learning opportunities, in a socially and environmentally responsible manner.

Working with **York Region District School Board** we are offering affordable, renewed computer packages.



1. Open camera on phone
2. Hold camera up to QR code above
3. Click link that appears on your screen

### You can apply for this program if you are:

A resident of Ontario and you are an individual with limited income.

Parents or legal guardians may apply on behalf of a child or youth under the age of 18.

We offer 1 computer, per family, with a limit of 2 per household per year.

We have Desktop Packages from \$60.00 to \$250.00. Plus \$50.00 to ship the computer to your home.



**You get** - a desktop complete with Windows 10 and MS Office 2019 - Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and OneNote plus learning software, monitor, keyboard and mouse

### For more information, please contact:

Alexander Oliver  
RCT Community Engagement Lead  
AOliver@rcto.ca

We have Laptop Packages from \$200.00 to \$350.00. Plus \$40.00 to ship the computer to your home.



**You get** - a laptop complete with Windows 10 and MS Office 2019 - Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and OneNote plus learning software

All systems include our **STANDARD 1 YEAR DEPOT WARRANTY**

\*batteries not covered by warranty

\*Computers may not appear exactly as shown

With funding from

Visit Us Online @ [www.RCTO.ca](http://www.RCTO.ca)



## Application Check-List

You can begin to apply for a computer on: September 30th, 2022  
Application deadline: November 18th, 2022



1. Open camera on phone
2. Hold camera up to QR code above
3. Click link that appears on your screen

**Group Name:** YRDSB | **Group Code:** G-YRDSB22

### How to fill out your application

Scan QR code OR access application using the link your organization provided

#### Section A

Group Name: YRDSB  
Group Code: G-YRDSB22  
Name of School: *Please enter the name of the student's school*

#### Section B

This section does not apply to you.

#### Section C

I would like to pick up my computer in Mississauga RCT Warehouse (\$0.00 Shipping fee)

OR

I would like to order a laptop, please ship my computer to my home (\$40.00 shipping fee)

OR

I would like to order a desktop, please ship my computer to my home (\$50.00 shipping fee)

OR

I am part of the York Region District School Board Group order (\$20.00)

#### Section D

Pick your computer package and method of payment.

Our partner organization will need proof of eligibility (one of the following) before you can apply for a computer.

### Proof of Financial Status (one of the following)

- Canada Revenue Agency Notice of Assessment (most recent)
- Ontario Works Statement (Social Assistance)
- OSAP Statement of Funding
- Refugee Payment Received from government
- Letter from school supporting the application
- EI Benefit Statement
- ODSP (Disability Benefits)
- Second Career

### Payment

You will have the following online payment options when completing your order:

- Credit/Debit Card
- Money Order or Certified Cheque
- A Third Party will be Paying (Ex. Ontario Works)

### Certified Cheques should be made to: Renewed Computer Technology

The applicant's name must be added in the memo field. When you come to pick up your computer, please bring a government photo ID.

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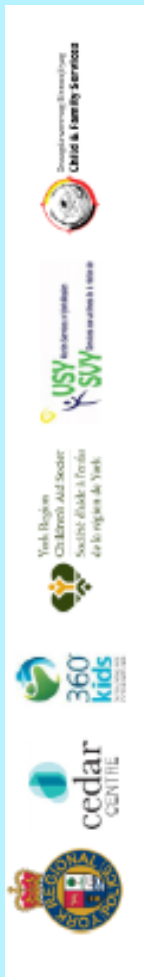
## Student Registration Verification Form

The office has sent out Student Registration Verification Forms.

To ensure we have accurate contact information (e.g., emails, emergency contact numbers), we ask that you carefully review this form.

- Edit any information that is incorrect on the form
- Sign and date the form
- Send back the form with your child by **October 3, 2022.**

## YRDSB Parent/Guardian Information and learning series



**RAISING RESILIENT CHILDREN**  
Let's talk about it!

Kids don't come with an instruction manual! Many familiar parenting problems have very simple solutions that can be applied with some effort and focus. Triple P's easy-to-understand and practical strategies have been shown to help families in all types of situations.

**October 6, 2022 | 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

We welcome parents, guardians, caregivers and community members to attend this virtual session!

**Register Today!**

This session will focus on how to ensure a safe and engaging environment for children with strategies to:

- Recognize and accept feelings
- Express their feelings appropriately
- Build positive feelings
- Deal with negative feelings
- Deal with upsetting or stressful life events

**Facilitator:** Uma Bhatt, R.S.W. York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families [york hills](#)

This free parent presentation is brought to you in a collaborative partnership with York Region District School Board and York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and families.

**More Information:**  
Oksana Majaski, Community & Partnership Developer, YRDSB  
[Oksana.majaski@yrdsb.ca](mailto:Oksana.majaski@yrdsb.ca)

[Click here to Register](#)

**YORK REGION 2022 ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING CONFERENCE**

INFORMING Education & Awareness    ENGAGING Collaborative Workshops    EMPOWERING Take Action

**Virtual Conference Dates: October 19, 20, 26, 27 | 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

**OUR COMMUNITY    OUR FUTURE    TAKING ACTION**

Human Trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation is a prevalent issue and one of the fastest growing and most lucrative crimes worldwide and it is happening in York Region. It is predatory and devastatingly damaging to victims, survivors, their families and communities.

At the Anti-Human Trafficking York Region Conference, attendees will learn about what human trafficking is, signs and indicators, risk factors, laws, what we can collectively do to eradicate human trafficking in our communities and more.

**Who Should Attend**  
Parents, Youth, Community Members, Newcomers to Canada, Educators & Support Staff, Law Enforcement, Immigrant Service Agencies, Social Services and Healthcare Providers.

**Register Now For This Free Conference**

**DAY 1 (October 19<sup>th</sup>)** [Registration](#)  
Introduction to Human Trafficking  
The Connection Between Homelessness & Human Trafficking  
Youth in Care & Human

**DAY 2 (October 20<sup>th</sup>)** [Registration](#)  
Childhood Experiences that put Children at Risk  
How to Prevent Human Trafficking  
Indigenous People & Human Trafficking  
Criminal Justice System & Human Trafficking

**DAY 3 (October 26<sup>th</sup>)** [Registration](#)  
Human Trafficking in York Region  
Where I'm Headed (Interactive Activity)  
Human Trafficking (Interactive Presentation)

**Day 4 (October 27<sup>th</sup>)** [Registration](#)  
A Survivor's Story  
Get to Know Community Agencies in York

[Click here to access the flyer and registration links.](#)



## School Council

Our first **WRPS School Council Meeting** will take place on **Wednesday October 12, 2022** in person in our school library.

During this meeting, our 2022-2023 WRPS School Council will be formed through a voting process.

If you are interested in nominating yourself for an executive position on the WRPS School Council, please submit the School Council Candidate Nomination Form (included in your YRDSB Online Start-Up Forms email) by **Friday October 7, 2022.**

If you do submit a Nomination Form, you are required to attend the meeting on October 12 in order to be considered for a position on the WRPS School Council.