# A. Y. Jackson

# News Update Nov 11<sup>th</sup> 2022



Good day AYJ Community,

We have worked our way through Semester One/Term One and Term Two is off to a running start!

We anticipate distributing our **Sem 1/Term 1 Report Cards** on **Wednesday, November 16**<sup>th</sup> via the TDSB School Messenger Secure Document Delivery System.

Please see below a number of important items for our AYJ Community members,

# AYJ June 2022 EQAO Grade 9 Math Assessment Results

A big congratulations to our AYJ Math students AND staff for scoring the **HIGHEST** among all TDSB schools on the June 2022 EQAO Grade 9 Math Assessment!

92% of our eligible students participated in the June 2022 EQAO Assessment and 93.2% of those students achieved Level 3 or 4.

We did exceedingly well compared to the Board and Province:

Board 52.8% Province 52.3%

Special shoutouts to VP Sukhu for leading the pack and the team of grade 9 teachers:

Ms Ching (Assistant Curriculum Leader – Math (Jr) and Numeracy)

Mr Kwok

Ms Aziz

Mr Cao

Their hard work and dedication is greatly appreciated.

A huge congrats and a job well done team!

# **IMPORTANT: AMC Math Contest Pre-Contest Only Registration**

If you have already made the payment for the AMC10 or AMC12 contest which is taking place next **Wednesday November 16<sup>th</sup>**, you need to pre-register for it ONLINE using the link below:

#### Student Registration URL for AMC12:

https://maa.edvistas.com/datamate/testRegister.aspx?id=a6fffd17-3ee3-40f5-9c3b-8e383d2388bf

#### Student Registration URL for AMC10:

https://maa.edvistas.com/datamate/testRegister.aspx?id=88a338fe-fc7f-49ff-8dc2-6c7140cb5933

do this **as soon as possible** (by the end of the weekend), as only the students who have performed this online registration are allowed to write the contest.

You will still need to show proof of payment on the day of the contest (print-out of Cash Online payment receipt, or a digital copy that you can show on your phone or tablet).

#### Men of AYJ - Mo'vember FUNdraiser

The Men of AYJ are coming together to raise awareness and funds in support of the Movember Men's Health efforts.

Mo'vember is the leading charity changing the face of men's health, and this Mo'vember The Men of AYJ will be joining them. Together we can make a difference for men's health – in prostate cancer, testicular cancer, mental health and suicide prevention. Help us stop men dying too young.

Throughout the month of November, the Men of AYJ will allow their moustaches and beards grow wildly. At the end of the month there will be an opportunity for lucky lottery winners to design the facial palette of their chosen member of the group to wear and display until the end of the following day.

Please support the cause by making a donation today at:

https://movember.com/t/men-of-ayj?mc=1

Men of AYJ 2022.jpg

#### **TDSB Student Census - Fall 2022**

November is **Student Census** month at the TDSB!

The Student Census is a confidential and voluntary survey that asks students important questions about their identities and school experiences and is an opportunity to honour students' voices. Census data has provided schools, parents and the community with valuable information to help improve schools for the benefit of all students.

• Parents/guardians/caregivers of students in Kindergarten to Grade 3 will receive a link via email to complete the Census online on behalf of their child.

- Parents/caregivers with children in a Developmental Disability (DD) or Mild Intellectual Disability (MID) program will receive a link via email to complete the Census - in whole or in part - on behalf of their child.
- Students in Grades 4 to 12 will receive a survey link via email to complete the Census themselves online during class time.

Parents/guardians/caregivers should have received more information about the Student Census on **November 1** from the address <u>TDSBStudentCensus@gemailserver.com</u>. Please refer to that email.

For more information, please watch this short video and visit the Student Census website.

# AYJ School (Parent) Council Virtual Mtg - Tues Nov 15th \*note the change of date\*

We will be holding our next AYJ School (Parent) Council Virtual Meeting on Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> (please note the date change) and we would like to invite (as always) members of our full community to join us. The AYJ School (Parent) Council is a great place to hear first-hand all of the latest news from AYJ and to network with other parents and to share your observations arising from our super busy AY Jackson school community!

We have a limited number of participant availability for this online meeting, so we will be registering family interest on a first come, first served basis. We do have enough space to cover our regular in person attendance numbers, however these spaces are not infinite.

If you would like to register to join us, please fill out the information on the Google Form linked below (note, we will deactivate the link once we reach our capacity and will problem solve for additional interested participants if necessary):

# https://forms.gle/D3V8wqVfvjwBvfzx8

An email will be sent to the address listed on the form to confirm your invitation to the meeting and **ON THE DAY** of the meeting, the login link will be confirmed with you.

Zoom link: https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/91351524894

Below is a list of this year's Parent Council Executive.

Jennifer	Gillick	Chair/CoChair
Key	Kasravi	Chair/CoChair
Dava	Slater	Secretary
Sunny	Sun	Treasurer
Rana	AlKassem Addasi	Parent Rep
Nancy	Kamenyero	Parent Rep
Brigitte	Lee	Parent Rep
Teisha	Mullings	Parent Rep
Jean-Paul	Ngana	Parent Rep

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Carla	Rossi	Parent Rep
Phouvieng	Sackda	Parent Rep
Zemei (Jasmine)	Wang	Parent Rep
Katherine	Whang	Parent Rep
Jenny	Zeng	Parent Rep
Terence	Philips	Community Rep
Brad	Barker	Teacher Rep
Tara	Breeze	Teacher Rep

We look forward to connecting with all interested parties at our meeting,

# **Special Education**

Parent/Guardian/Caregiver Session #1

Wednesday, November 23, 2022,

7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Zoom link: https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/99771946905

Learn about Special Education and Inclusion processes through an equity lens:

Individual Learning Plan (ILP)

In-School Support Team (IST)

School Support Team (SST)

Individual Education Plan (IEP)

Identification, Placement, and Review Committee (IPRC)

**LC2/LC3**: <a href="https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1YnSWeDjTyr8ZCg2fKbFXWo2yacR-6TO/edit?usp=share">https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1YnSWeDjTyr8ZCg2fKbFXWo2yacR-6TO/edit?usp=share</a> link&ouid=102386464265606144113&rtpof=true&sd=true

#### Keisha's Korner:

#### (All the latest from AYJ's Graduation Coach for Black Students)

#### The University Pathway Program (UPP)

The University Pathway Program (UPP) is a collaborative Tri-Business school initiative between three of the top Canadian business schools; Schulich, Smith and Ivey business schools. The goal of the program is to support Black student enrolment and attendance at Canadian post-secondary institutions. Although the program is intended to prepare Black high school students in Toronto for an academic and career path into business, we also empower students enrolled in the program to choose a career path that they are passionate about. Throughout this program students will learn about the various career and academic pathways available to them through mentorship, have access to transitional support into post-secondary and will have opportunities to engage in experiential learning throughout the summers on all three of our campuses. This program will support students' short and long term goals, through educational and financial resources that are tailored to meet their needs. Currently, UPP is recruiting Black high school students in Grade 11.

Date: November 17, 2022

Time: 11:00 am

Room: Conference Room (in the main foyer beside the office)

All interested students must register at:

#### https://forms.gle/g4A4Fbhmx8deNBNGA

Lunch will be provided for those that register.

#### **Black Tutors Canada**

Black Tutors Canada is a tutor listing website that connects current and retired Black teachers, graduates, and professionals with students and families across Canada. Black tutors work with students at all grade levels from K-PhD levels in all subjects including Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, English, French, and Art, to name a few. We are looking for more tutors from across Canada to join our platform. We invite students of all diversity and intersectionality to access our services. For more details, see the attached flyer; click the <u>link</u> to access the website or contact them at: info@blacktutorscanada.ca

www.blacktutorscanada.ca is happy to collaborate with community organizations with a shared value.

# Find Black Educators | Black Tutors Canada

Black Tutors Canada is calling on all tutors who identify as Black, African, Afro-Caribbean, Afro-Canadian, and of the African-diaspora across all provinces and territories to provide tutoring support to students who have been systematically lacking educational resources.

# www.blacktutorscanada.ca

# **Black Tutors Canada Information Poster**

Together we can close the achievement gap!

# **Black Tutors Canada**

Email: info@blacktutorscanada.ca

Website: www.blacktutorscanada.ca

# **Important Upcoming Dates**

Monday, November 14 <sup>th</sup>	Day 2 Regu	lar Day Schedule (	(am & pm courses flip)
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Per 1 9:00am to 10:20am Course 2

Per 2 10:25am to 11:40am Course 1

Lunch 11:40am to 12:40pm LUNCH

Per 3 12:40pm to 1:55pm Course 4

Per 4 2:00pm to 3:15pm Course 3

# Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> Day 1 Regular Day Schedule

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Per 2 10:25am to 11:40am Course 2

Lunch 11:40am to 12:40pm LUNCH

Per 3 12:40pm to 1:55pm Course 3

Per 4 2:00pm to 3:15pm Course 4

(odd days - 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, etc are Day 1, even days - 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, etc are Day 2)

<sup>\*</sup>Please keep in mind that the "Cycle Day" (Day 1 or 2) corresponds to the actual date

*Tuesday, November 15 <sup>th</sup>	School (Parent Council) Initial Virtual Meeting at 6:00pm		
	(Zoom link and pre-reg info listed above)		
	*please note the change of date		
Friday, November 18 <sup>th</sup>	TDSB Professional Activity Day, NO CLASSES		
Wednesday, November 23 <sup>rd</sup>	AYJ Late Start Schedule – classes begin at 9:55am		
Wednesday, November 30 <sup>th</sup>	AYJ Late Start Schedule – classes begin at 9:55am		
Wednesday, November 30 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 8 School Information Evening (Open House)		
	(More info will follow)		
That's all for now AYJ, have a great weekend			
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Principal			
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#### **November is Indigenous Education Month**

November is Indigenous Education Month at the Toronto District School Board. This month is an important reminder to centre First Nations, Métis, and Inuit perspectives, voices, histories, and contemporary realities in classrooms across the TDSB. It is an opportunity to learn about treaties, Indigenous leadership, achievements, resurgence, survivance, and creativity.

Truth and Reconciliation is a guiding principle at TDSB. Throughout November, students, staff, and community members honour a number of important days to deepen knowledge, to learn together about our shared history, and to build stronger relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Peoples. Treaties Recognition Week is the first full week of November, November 7th-11th. November 7 is International Inuit Day. November 8 is National Indigenous Veterans Day. November 16 is Louis Riel Day in Ontario. The attached poster has a link to resource documents to support student and staff learning.

The Urban Indigenous Education Centre will be hosting a number of events to support students and staff to learn from Indigenous people. Guests will include Elder Dr. Duke Redbird, Maurice Switzer, Ange Loft; Traditional Knowledge Practitioner Clayton Shirt, Dr. Susan Dion; Inuk Elder Elder Naulaq LeDrew with Angela Aula; and Alyssa and Conlin Delbaere-Sawchuk. Please enrol for these events on myPATH.