






Northview Heights S. S.



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December 9 – December 13, 2024

<i>CURRENT WEEK</i>	<i>NEXT WEEK</i>
MON. December 9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Boys Basketball vs West Humber 3:30 p.m. 	MON. December 16
TUES. December 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 11 Pathways Presentation Hackathon 3:30-5:30p.m School Council Meeting (Hybrid) 6:30p.m. 	TUES. December 17
WED. December 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Late Start – 9:55a.m Grade 11 Pathways Presentations 	WED. December 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Late Start – 9:55a.m Coop Employee Appreciation Junior/Senior Boys Basketball vs William Lyon Mackenzie 
THURS. December 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arts Everywhere Tour Speak Out Event Caring and Safe Schools Committee at Lunch in Room 210 Junior/Senior Girls Volleyball vs. John Polanyi 	THURS. December 19
FRI. December 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arts Everywhere Tour 	FRI. December 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winter Assembly Last Day of School before Winter Break

Save the Dates:

- Dec 23-Jan 3: Winter Break
- Jan 6: Classes Resume
- Jan 8: Late-Start Day
- Jan 15: Late-Start Day
- Jan 16-17: Grade 9 Math EQAO

School Council Remote Registration

Parents, Guardians & Caregivers interested in receiving a remote link for virtual participation in the December 10th School Council meeting at 6:30pm, [please register here](#).

Caring, Safe and Inclusive Committee Meeting – Thurs. Dec 12th at lunch in Rom 210. All students and/or parents/guardians interested are welcome. We'd love to hear your voice. Please let principal know at anita.ghazariansteja@tdsb.on.ca

Connecting with Northview

Families are encouraged to download the [free School Messenger application](#) to communicate student absences directly with the school system instead of calling the school. Please call **1-833-250-2290** to communicate student absences/lates. The app also receives direct school communications (like this newsletter) for multiple students at multiple TDSB schools.

The app is a great alternative for families who have had School Messenger items going to their spam email folder or have mistakenly unsubscribed.



The Start of Year Forms (including Medical Form) and Student Device Agreement were sent to all students/families at the end of August 2024.

Thank you to families who have completed and submitted the forms online.

Families who still need to complete and submit the Start of Year Forms (Medical Form) and Student Device Agreement are asked to please check your email for the personal invitation and unique code to complete and submit the forms on-line as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please call the school at 416 395-3290, or email. northview@tdsb.on.ca.



Event for Grade 10, Coop, Senior Tech Students on Thursday, December 12, 2024

SpeakOut is an interactive information session organized in schools and in the community. It is designed to inspire a new generation of construction tradespeople and industry professionals by creating awareness about the diversity of career opportunities available in the construction industry. A panel of skilled trades and other industry professionals provide valuable information about the educational and training requirements for specific jobs and share their personal experiences and insights with participants.



DUAL CREDITS – Take a College Course while still in High School - Winter Registration Open

What is a Dual Credit?

- A dual credit is a college course, delivered on a college campus, by a college professor which you add into your regular homeschool timetable.
- They are called DUAL credits because students earn TWO credits: a secondary high school credit AND a college credit.
- Dual credits require half the in-class time as a traditional high school course and are offered once per week for a 3–4-hour block of time.
- Dual credits are FREE - tuition, transportation and supplies are all included.
- Course offerings include a huge array of interest areas and potential careers paths which go above and beyond what is offered at high school, many are lab or shop based with hands-on experiences. While others provide you with a lecture style format in a college classroom.
- Dual credit programs are intended to assist secondary school students in completing their OSSD and supporting a successful transition to college and/or apprenticeship programs.



- Students in Cooperative Education, Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) programs and students in the Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program (OYAP) may also be eligible to participate in dual credit programs.

Website: [Dual Credit Overview](#)

Promotional Poster: [Dual Credit Poster](#)

Winter Offerings: bit.ly/DCmasterchart

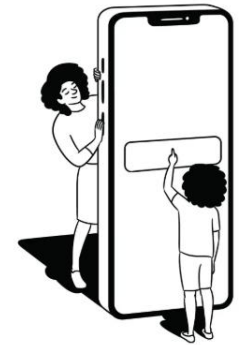
Spaces are limited. If interested, complete the [Expression of Interest Package](#) and bring it to Ms Allison in the Guidance Office

***This program works well for students who are already registered in Co-op for semester 2.*

Online Monitoring

As we approach the winter break where students will have greater free time, families are encouraged to **keep aware of the child's social interactions online**.

A recent trend for families to be vigilant about is **involvement in anonymous Instagram chat spaces** where users are encouraged to post their unfiltered views in often derogatory ways. A few such unauthorised examples are northviewconfessions; nhssconfessions; confessionsnhss; nhss.confessions; nhss___confessionspt2; nhss.confessions___; nhss_confessions; & northviewconfess.



Please ask your child if they engage with this content and discuss as appropriate.

Please note that **Northview Heights does not have any official chat spaces** that promote the type of communication noted above. Any such spaces do not represent the school and should be approached with caution.

The attached [TDSB Cyberbullying tip sheet](#) has numerous resources that families will find helpful.

The official Northview Twitter/X handle is @NorthviewHtsSS.

There is zero tolerance for hate, bias and discriminatory comments and/or posts at Northview.

Please see resources below to support [TDSB Anti-Hate and Anti-Racism Strategy](#).

[Staff Responsibilities for a Climate of Respect](#)

[Student Responsibilities for a Climate of Respect](#)

The Arts Council planned **6 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence** (from November 25 to December 10.) These initiatives will not only educate youth and pay respect to the Montreal massacre & White Ribbon Campaign, but these initiatives will also open discussions, generate questions and raise awareness.

Foyer Display

This display raises awareness regarding Gender-based Violence, and also pays respect to the Montreal massacre at Polytechnique Montréal (December 6, 1989). December 6th is designated as The National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women.



Dec 6 School Announcement/Moment of Silence

On Dec.6th, at 10:50am, Mr. Rudan and a student made an announcement for Gender-Based Violence Awareness/ White Ribbon, followed by a moment of silence.

White Ribbon

The Arts Council & Arts Club have made many, white ribbons & will be distributing them the week of December 9 during lunch.

Please use the drop off and pick-up zone at Northview to drop off and pick-up your child.

Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement

The Black Student Summer Leadership Program offers Black high school students a transformative, paid opportunity to gain hands-on experience, develop professional skills, participate in Youth Participatory Action Research, and expand their networks in a variety of fields. Students are paired with mentors and organizations that match their passions, fostering growth in a supportive environment. Join us for an information session on **December 10 at 6 p.m.** TDSB students [register here](#).

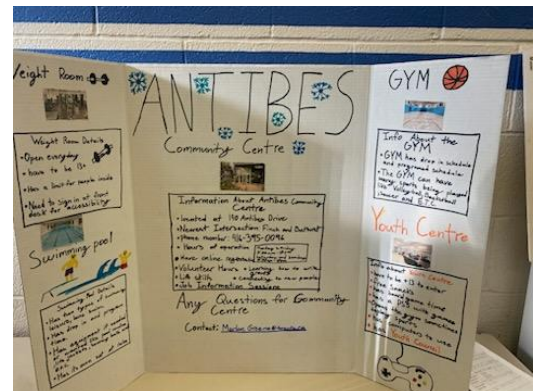
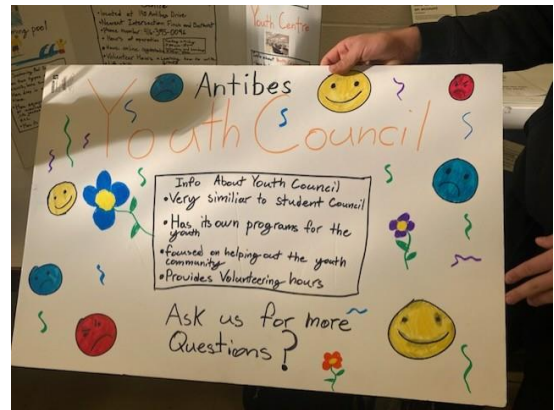
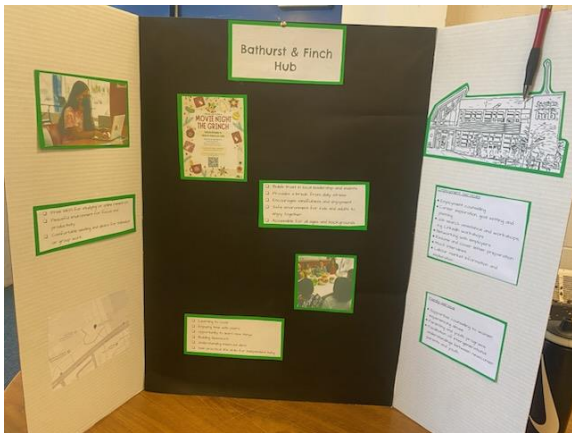
ICT SHSM

We experienced the largest turnout in recent memory. Feedback from students has been overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing how much they're enjoying the hands-on learning experience and how valuable they found the certification process. It speaks to the strength of our ICT SHSM program in offering unique and impactful STEM opportunities for our students. See Pics here that truly highlight the potential of our students and the power of experiential learning.



School and Community Resource Fair

On Tuesday, December 3, 2024, the School and Community Resource Fair was hosted by the HMST, GLS classes in Period 1 and 2. Students toured different booths in the cafeteria to learn more about some of the resources available at Northview including the school library, Guidance, Child Youth Workers and student leadership groups.



Congratulations!

The following ESL students competed on Wednesday December 4th against 11 other schools in the TDSB ESL East Speech Competition at Northern SS:

Minsol Kwon ESL B, Saya Awrahman ESL D, Crissy Chen

Minsol took home first place in the ESL B category and will be advancing to the finals at Central Technical School on December 13th! Well done!

Winter Assembly:

The Winter Assembly is a Northview tradition, and it will continue this year on December 20th during the school day. This is a showcase of student talent, and a celebration as we get ready to welcome a New Year in January. Students will have the opportunity to see the assembly with classes on December 20th. Staff will receive a schedule for the day in the coming weeks.

12 Days of Giving:

The 12 Days of Giving has become a Northview tradition. This is a chance for us to come together as a school and give back to the community, each other, and ourselves. Through this initiative, a variety of student groups join forces to empower our student body to be able to give in a variety of ways. From spreading words of hope, to a food drive for a local organization and our own school community, to raising money and awareness for a local charity, we invite everyone to get involved. Any fundraising efforts will go to support Eva's Initiatives, a local organization that supports homeless and youths in need in Toronto. Stay tuned for our calendar of events starting next Thursday, including the annual winter assembly, sharing Northview's gifts of talent.

2025 Prime Minister's Awards for Teachers and Early Childhood Educators

Teachers and ECEs are inspiring children in all areas of life, from science and math to schoolyard interactions. Consider nominating an educator for a [2025 Prime Minister's Award](#)!



Students, parents, colleagues, principals, supervisors, community leaders, or people with direct knowledge of the nominee's contribution can nominate.

Prime Minister's Awards recipients for Teaching Excellence, Teaching Excellence in STEM and Excellence in Early Childhood Education can receive: a certificate from the Prime Minister and national recognition and promotion of their best teaching practices. Download your nomination package today – **the deadline is January 15, 2025!**

[Awards for Teaching Excellence and Teaching Excellence in STEM](#) The Prime Minister's Awards for Teaching Excellence and Teaching Excellence in STEM.

[Awards for Excellence in Early Childhood Education](#) The Prime Minister's Awards for Excellence in Early Childhood Education.

TDSB Learn4Life – Winter Session

Adults 18+ and Seniors interested in learning new skills and pursuing new hobbies are asked to click on the link below for more information and to register.

[TDSB Learn 4 Life](#)

Classes are offered at Northview Heights S.S



The Creative Centre at Northview Heights Secondary School

550 Finch Ave. W.
Toronto, Ontario M2R 1N6
Tel: (416) 395-3290 Fax: (416) 395-3294

NORTHVIEW



NOVEMBER 28th 2024

Cyber Creative Centre: *One of a Kind Show* Field Trip

In preparation for their Curatorial Culminating Activity students in grade 11 and 12 went to the *One of a Kind Show* last week. The handmade showcase is the largest in North America with over 600 artisans represented. The students interviewed exhibitors and looked for inspiration for their own upcoming exhibit.



YOUTH RECONNECT

WOULD YOU LIKE TO IMPROVE
ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Housing stability – either with family or in the community
- School attendance and engagement
- Family relationships
- Social supports and community connections
- Overall sense of well-being



For more information:



Talk to your school social worker



Call/text Rachel 647 684 1425

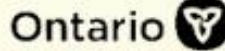


Email youthreconnect@covenanthouse.ca





THE CANADIAN
TRAINING INSTITUTE



This initiative is funded by the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services

INSPIRING MINDS

YOUTH PROGRAM

WHY CHOOSE US?

Inspiring Minds is a program for youth to develop skills that lead to personal empowerment.

Open for Registration


Programming will take place at Northview Heights Secondary School on Mondays during lunch from October 21st, 2024 - June 2nd, 2025.

Participants learn about topics such as:
Healthy Relationships
Managing Anger
Dealing with Stress
Leadership
And more!



JOIN US



 targueta@cantraining.org



JOIN US FOR A
MOVIE NIGHT
THE GRINCH

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10,
FROM 03:45PM TO 05:30PM

540 Finch Ave West (Room 1)
Free admission
Get Volunteer Hours
Free Snacks Provided

TO REGISTER EMAIL REBEKAH
rbrionesclarke@nych.ca

Or scan the QR code to fill out
the Google form





COMMUNITY FRIDGE & PANTRY

Take what you need; Give what you can FREE FOOD for EVERYONE

HOW IT WORKS

Community Fridge & Pantry (Fridge) is a neighbours-helping-neighbours initiative with no registration, no monitoring, judgment-free access to food for Bathurst-Finch residents and anyone who need items. Food is donated by local businesses, organizations and individuals. This Fridge is run by volunteers.

WHY COMMUNITY FRIDGE

Who's Hungry 2023 report says that 1 in 10 people in Toronto visited food banks to make ends meet. 2.53 million visited food banks in Toronto - a 51% increase from 2022 and the highest annual increase ever recorded. Meanwhile, tons of edible, perfectly good food are thrown away. About 60% of food produced in Canada is lost and wasted annually; 32% of that food is edible and could be redirected to food insecure people in our communities. This Fridge gives access to food and reduces food waste.

WHO WE ARE

Bathurst Finch Food Coalition (BFFC) is a grassroots/community network of residents, partners and stakeholders who lead access to healthy and affordable food in the Bathurst-Finch neighbourhood.

2 LOCATIONS

540 Finch Ave. West
Bathurst-Finch Hub
(back of building)
OPEN Fridays, 10:30 am-12:30 pm

788 Sheppard Ave. West (First
Filipino Canadian Adventist Church)
Coming Soon

DONATE
FOOD

VOLUNTEER
with us!

SPREAD THE
WORD

CONTACT US: bffc.fridge@gmail.com Ask about ways to volunteer, what to donate to the fridge & pantry, opening days/hours & availability. We plan to open the fridge/pantry 24/7, eventually.

Funders, Partners & Donors



Bathurst Finch Food
Coalition (BFFC)



BATHURST-FINCH
hub

Councillor
James Pasternak
York Centre



COMMUNITY
FRIDGES
TORONTO



WEEKLY MENU

December 9 – December 13, 2024

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soup \$2.50	Chunky Lentil	Chicken Sopa	Cream of Broccoli	Coconut Squash	Curried Chickpea & Vegetable
Entree \$5 - \$8	Limited Selection Available	Mac & Cheese with Tossed Salad	Chicken Biryani with Onion Sauce	Bratwurst with German Potato Salad and Braised Red Cabbage	Taco Bowl (Ground beef, Iceberg lettuce, Cheese, Chipotle Sour cream/mayo, Pickled Jalapeno Salsa)
Sides \$2.50 - \$3.00	Selection of Rice Stir Fry, Pasta with Sauce or Potato available daily				
Dessert \$2	Tasty Selection of dessert treats available daily	Tasty Selection of dessert treats available daily	Tasty Selection of dessert treats available daily	Tasty Selection of dessert treats available daily	Tasty Selection of dessert treats available daily

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Cold Menu</u></p> <p>Tossed Salad \$3.50</p> <p>Sandwiches \$2.50 and up (individually priced)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ham & Cheese - Egg - Tuna Salad <p>Bagel with Cream Cheese \$2.50</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Hot-Buffer Menu</u> <u>served from Student Servery Side</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">portioned in 12 fl oz container</p> <p>Pasta & Sauce \$3.00</p> <p>Vegetable Stir Fried Rice \$3.00</p> <p>Potatoes \$2.50</p> <p>Beef Burgers (Halal) \$3.25</p> <p>Cheese Burger (Halal) \$3.50</p> <p>Soup \$3.00</p>
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