

## York Catholic District School Board

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#### All Grade 8s invited to York Catholic's High School Information Nights

This fall, the York Catholic District School Board will host a series of local High School Information Nights for Grade 8 students and their parents who reside in York Region, as well as Grade 6 students and their parents who reside in the Town of Georgina. Attendees will have an opportunity to tour high school facilities, learn about the various programs and options available to them, and meet staff and current students who can answer questions they may have about high school.

The information sessions will be held at Catholic high schools across York Region, and while residents are strongly encouraged to attend the information session for their local area high school, those who are interested in learning more about regional programs are welcome at those high school information nights, as well. The York Catholic District School Board offers seven high school regional programs, including:

- Advanced Placement (AP) / Program for Academic and Creative Extension (PACE) Programs: programs with an extended and enriched curriculum that allow students to earn credits or advanced standing at most universities.
- English as a Second Language (ESL) / English Literacy Development: programs that provide newcomer students with English language supports in various subject areas.
- French Immersion (FI): students take 10 French courses throughout high school to obtain a French Immersion certificate upon graduation. A continuation of the Elementary French Immersion Program.
- High Performer Athlete Program: an academic-based program for student-athletes who participate
  in regional, provincial, national, or international competition. Students benefit from a flexible timetable
  to help balance their academic and athletic commitments, and earn high school credits for the work
  they put into their training.
- International Baccalaureate (IB) Program: a rigorous and intellectually challenging pre-university course of study that allow students to earn an IB Diploma upon graduation. Credits are recognized in Canada and internationally.
- STEM+ (Laptop Learning) Program: a program that integrates technology and elements of problem-solving into daily instruction through an inter-disciplinary approach that focuses on Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and more.
- Regional Arts Program: a program where students specialize in either drama, dance, visual arts, digital media arts, instrumental music or vocal music, while obtaining their high school diploma.

YCDSB also offers 26 Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) programs at 14 high schools. A list of SHSM programs is available at: <a href="http://www.ycdsb.ca/pathways/shsm/">http://www.ycdsb.ca/pathways/shsm/</a>. Information on SHSM programs, skilled trades, athletics and extra-curricular offerings will be provided at the High School Information Nights.



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Admission to York Catholic high schools is open to all students, in accordance with the rules governing open access and a student's right to attend. More information about the registration process and the documents needed to enrol will be discussed at the information nights.

To determine which York Catholic high school serves your local area, please visit <a href="http://locator.ycdsb.ca/">http://locator.ycdsb.ca/</a>.

Following is a list of all York Catholic High School Information Nights. If you plan to attend an information evening, please confirm dates and times via the school website as school schedules are subject to change.

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The York Catholic District School Board is one of the top-performing school boards in Ontario. It delivers educational programming to approximately 53,000 students in 101 schools throughout York Region. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.ycdsb.ca">www.ycdsb.ca</a> or follow us on Twitter @YCDSB.

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### **HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHTS:**

### For Grade 8 / 6\* students and their parents enrolling in high school for September 2019

SCHOOL	DATE
Cardinal Carter Catholic High School 210 Bloomington Road West, Aurora, ON, L4G 0P9 905-727-2455	Tuesday, October 30, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program/IB
Father Bressani Catholic High School 250 Ansley Grove Road, Woodbridge, ON, L4L 3W4 905-851-6643	Wednesday, November 7, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program/AP/PACE/FI
Father Michael McGivney Catholic Academy 5300 – 14 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Markham, ON, L3S 3K8 905-472-4961	Wednesday, November 7, 2018, 6:30 p.m. Regular Program/ESL/IB
Holy Cross Catholic Academy 7501 Martin Grove Road, Woodbridge, ON, L4L 1A5 905-851-6699	Tuesday, November 20, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program/High Performer Athlete
Jean Vanier Catholic High School 10475 Bayview Avenue, Richmond Hill, ON, L4C 3P2 905-770-8656	Tuesday, October 30, 2018, 7 p.m.  AP Tuesday, November 6, 2018, 7 p.m.  Regular Program/ESL/FI
Our Lady of the Lake Catholic College School 185 Glenwoods Avenue, Keswick, ON, L4P 2W6 905-656-9140	Thursday, November 29, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program -For *Grade 6 students and their parents.
Sacred Heart Catholic High School 908 Lemar Road, Newmarket, ON, L3Y 1R9 905-895-3340	Thursday, November 8, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program/AP/PACE/ESL
St. Augustine Catholic High School 2188 Rodick Road, Markham, ON, L6C 1S3 905-887-6171	Thursday, November 8, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program/STEM+Laptop Learning
St. Brother Andre Catholic High School 6160 – 16 <sup>th</sup> Avenue East, Markham, ON, L3P 3K8 905-294-7671	Wednesday, November 7, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program/AP/PACE/FI
St. Elizabeth Catholic High School 525 New Westminster Drive, Thornhill, ON, L4J 7X3 905-882-1460	Wednesday, October 3, 2018, 7 p.m. Regional Arts Program Thursday, November 1, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program/ESL
St. Jean de Brebeuf Catholic High School 2 Davos Road, Woodbridge, ON, L4H 2Y1 905-851-3529	Wednesday, November 14, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program
St. Joan of Arc Catholic High School 1 St. Joan of Arc Avenue, Maple, ON, L6A 1W9 905-832-8882	Wednesday, November 7, 2018, 6:30 p.m. Regular Program/AP/ESL
St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic High School 278 Wellington Street East, Aurora, ON, L4G 1J5 905-727-5652	Tuesday, November 20, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program/FI
St. Robert Catholic High School 8101 Leslie Street, Thornhill, ON, L3T 7P4 905-889-4982	Thursday, November 1, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program/ESL Wednesday, November 7, 2018, 7 p.m. IB
St. Theresa of Lisieux Catholic High School 230 Shaftsbury Avenue, Richmond Hill, ON, L4C 0E8 905-787-1407	Tuesday, November 20, 2018, 7 p.m. Regular Program/AP/PACE