



# ST. BROTHER ANDRÉ CHS

2023 GRADE 8  
OPEN HOUSE

**NOVEMBER 21, 2024**

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# OPENING PRAYER

**Let us pray,**

**In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.**

Heavenly Father, let us belong, to you and to this community. For it is your belonging where all belonging begins.

Lord, give us new strength so that we can build places of belonging.

To create a community for all to share their gifts.

To know that each of us is loved.

To help us to see the light of Christ in all that we serve.

Let us remember that each of us is loved, each of us is willed, and each of us is important.

In this we pray, in Jesus' name.

**St. Brother Andre, pray for us.**

**In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.**





# ST. BROTHER ANDRÉ CHS LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Saint Brother Andre is situated on the ancestral lands and waters of the Anishinabe, Wendat and Haudenosaunee First Peoples who still walk with us today.

We recognize the closest Indigenous communities as the Chippewas of Georgina Island and the Mississaugas of Scugog Island. From the East, South, West and Northern directions we are grateful to live on the gift that is this land.

We strive to live harmoniously with those around us, and leave more than we take for the faces unseen. We thank the Creator for opening our minds to learn, our ears to listen and our hearts to love and embrace others.





# GREETINGS FROM TRUSTEE ALEXANDER





# GREETINGS

On behalf of our St. Brother Andre Administration I welcome prospective students and their families to our Open House Plenary Session



**MS. COSENTINO**

Principal



**MS. DHARMAI**

Vice Principal



**MS. KARAHALIOS**

Vice Principal



**MR. SMERETSKY**

Vice Principal



# St. Brother Andre CHS Community Commitments

*Open the Door. Let in the Light.*

## Commitment to Faith and Spiritual Growth

Emulating the deep faith and spiritual dedication of St. Andre Bessette, we are devoted to nurturing the spiritual growth of our students. We pledge to provide a supportive and enriching environment where students can explore and strengthen their faith, guided by the principles of love, kindness, and devotion.

## Commitment to Service

Inspired by the humble and selfless life of St. Andre Bessette, our school is dedicated to fostering a culture of service. We commit to instilling in our students the values of compassion, generosity, and dedication to helping others, both within our community and beyond.

## Commitment to Perseverance and Excellence

Reflecting the perseverance and commitment to excellence demonstrated by St. Andre Bessette, our school is committed to fostering resilience and a strong work ethic in our students. We aim to inspire them to overcome challenges, strive for their personal best, and pursue excellence in all their endeavors.

# GREETINGS FROM MS. COSENTINO

Welcome to the Home of the Cardinals!

Where there is something for everyone!

*Open the Door Let in the Light*



# SCHOOL ACTIVITY FEE (SAF)

## What is this for?

The primary source of direct school related fundraising that helps the school community subsidize initiatives that build spirit and a positive school climate.

## What We Do?

Helps to support student:

- 1) Engagement
- 2) Wellness
- 3) Inclusivity
- 4) Faith Development

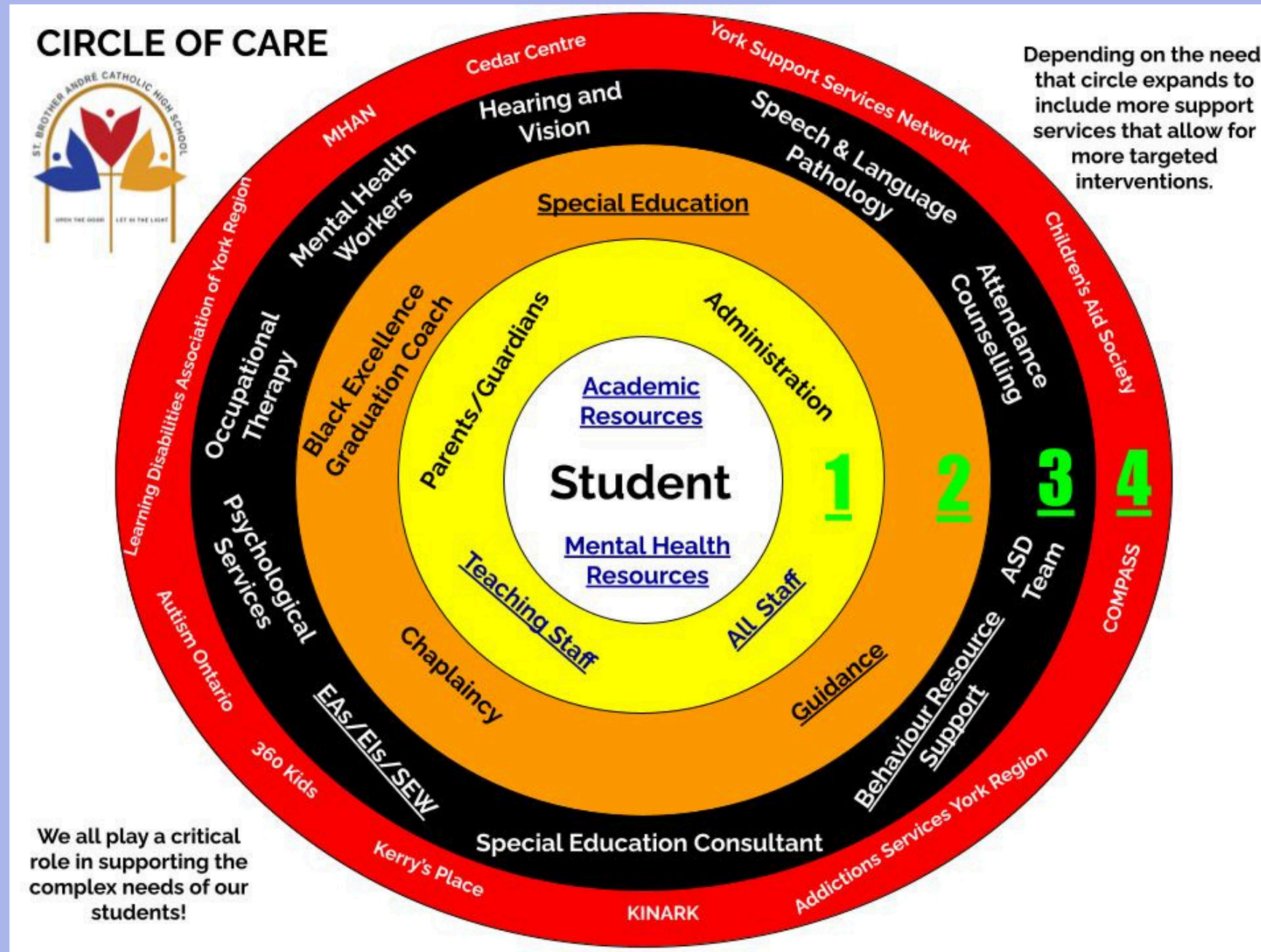
Please click [here](#) for further information





# YOU ARE NEVER ALONE

There are many supports that work together to shape your high school experience.



*Cardinals  
Care*





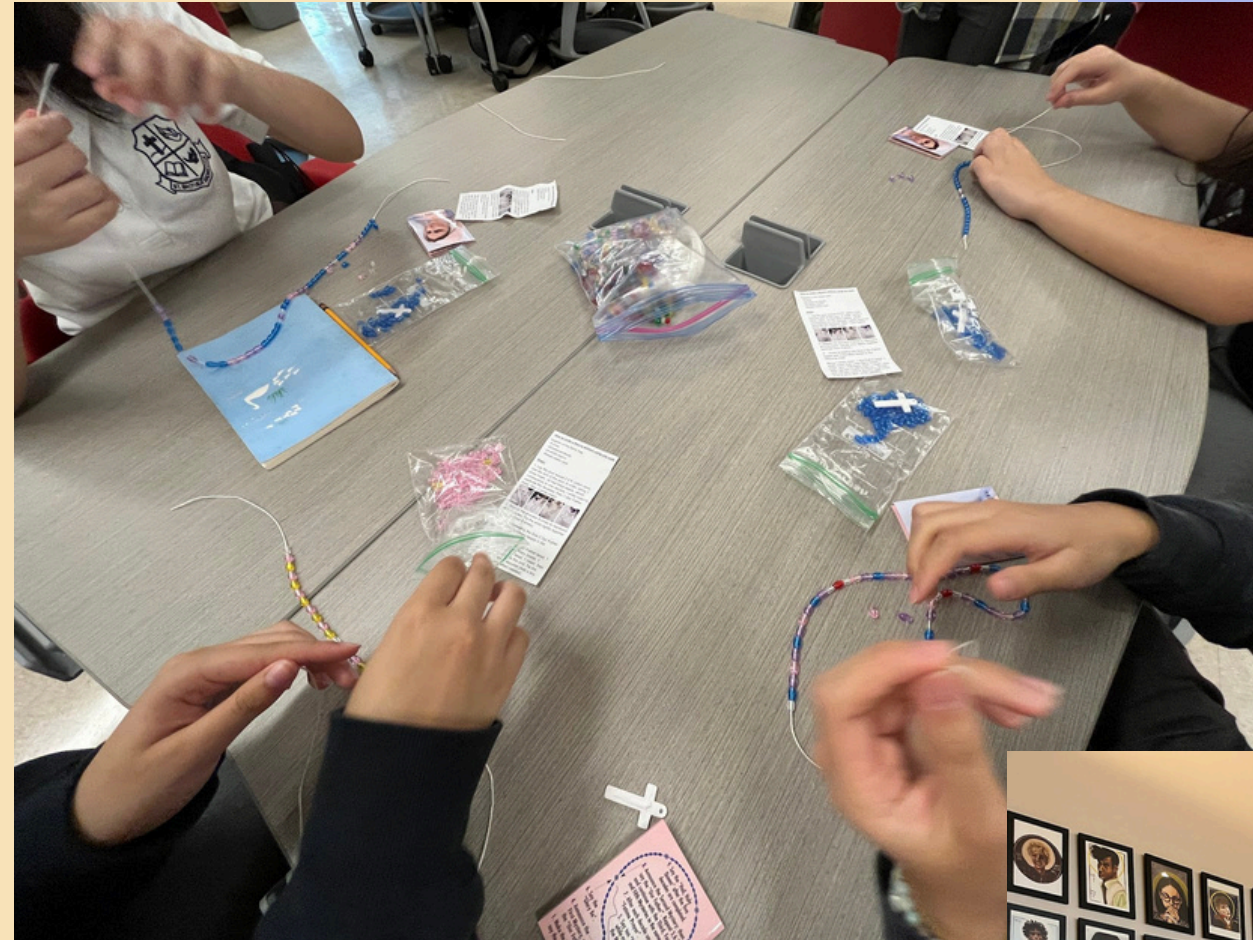
# CHAPLAINCY

**OUR PATRON – SAINT BROTHER ANDRE  
A FRIEND. A BROTHER. A SAINT.**

A Christ-centered learning environment.

All students reach their full potential  
through Gospel-inspired learning  
experience.

Partnering with the home, Church and  
the community.

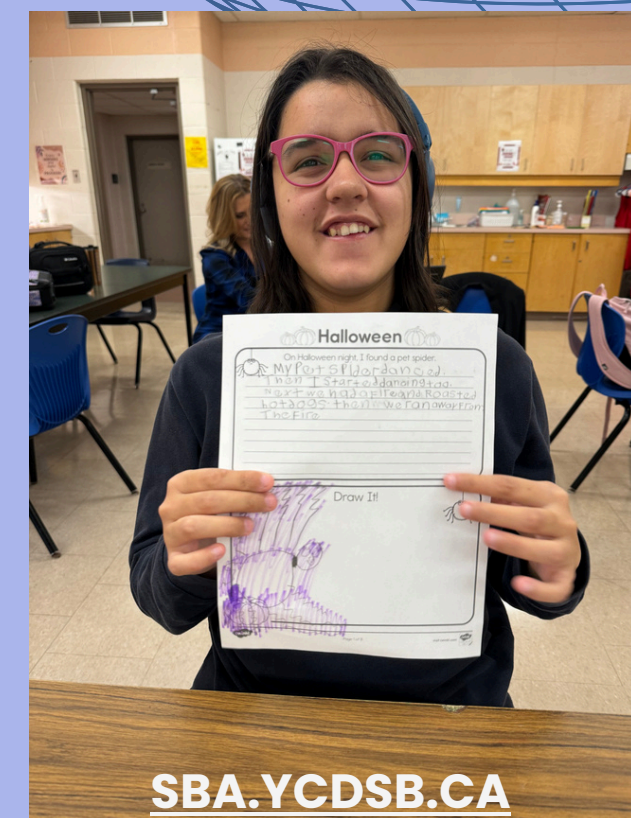




# SPECIAL EDUCATION

**APRIL 8:** TRANSITION DAY AT SBA  
FOR INCOMING SPECIAL EDUCATION  
STUDENTS

**MAY 7:** PARENT ENGAGEMENT  
EVENING  
FOR INCOMING SPECIAL  
EDUCATION STUDENTS

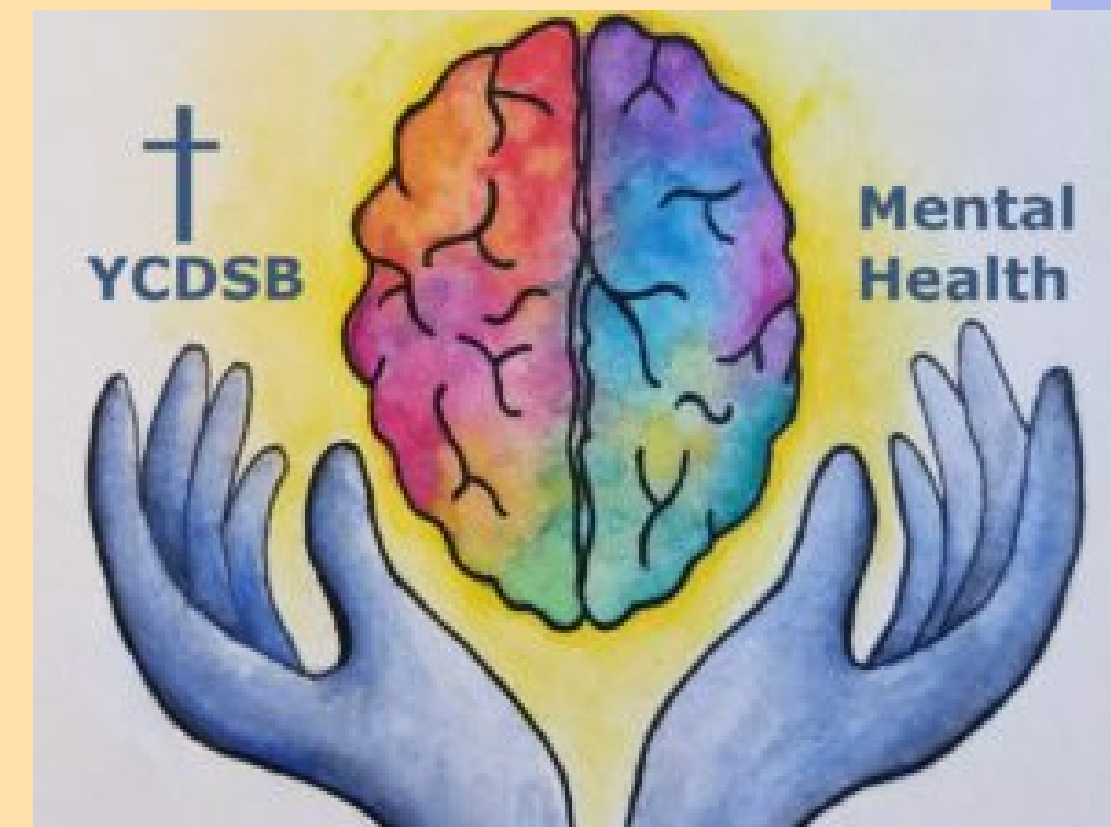


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# GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

- SUPPORT WITH PATHWAY PLANNING
- DIRECT SOCIO-EMOTIONAL SUPPORT
- INTEGRAL PART OF THE STUDENT SUCCESS TEAM TO SUPPORT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELLBEING





# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## Compulsory Courses

YOU NEED THE FOLLOWING 17 COMPULSORY CREDITS TO GET YOUR OSSD:

4 CREDITS IN ENGLISH (1 CREDIT PER GRADE)

3 CREDITS IN MATHEMATICS (GRADE 9, GRADE 10 AND 1 CREDIT IN GRADE 11 OR 12)

2 CREDITS IN SCIENCE

1 CREDIT IN TECHNOLOGICAL EDUCATION (GRADE 9 OR GRADE 10)

1 CREDIT IN CANADIAN HISTORY (GRADE 10)

1 CREDIT IN CANADIAN GEOGRAPHY (GRADE 9)

1 CREDIT IN THE ARTS

1 CREDIT IN HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

1 CREDIT IN FRENCH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

0.5 CREDIT IN CAREER STUDIES

0.5 CREDIT IN CIVICS AND CITIZENSHIP

1 CREDIT FROM THE STEM-RELATED COURSE GROUP

## Optional Courses

YOU MUST EARN 13 OPTIONAL CREDITS BY SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING COURSES FROM THE AVAILABLE COURSES AS PER THE SBA COURSE CALENDAR.

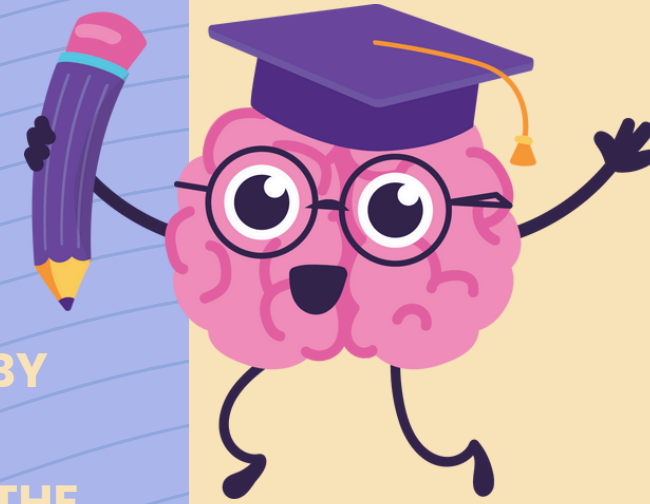
## Other

YOU MUST MEET THE LITERACY GRADUATION REQUIREMENT TO EARN YOUR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA.

FOR MOST STUDENTS, THIS MEANS PASSING THE ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL LITERACY TEST (OSSLT).

YOU MUST EARN AT LEAST 2 ONLINE LEARNING CREDITS TO GET YOUR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA.

YOU NEED TO HAVE AT LEAST 40 HOURS OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES (VOLUNTEERING) TO GRADUATE AND EARN YOUR OSSD.



LEARNING NEVER ENDS



# SPECIALIST HIGH SCHOOL MAJOR PROGRAMS

SPECIALIST HIGH SKILLS MAJOR

# SHSM

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD



1

Arts & Culture

2

Business

3

Transportation

4

Health and Wellness

5

Justice, Community, Safety & Emergency Services



# LIFE AT SBA: A STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVES

President of Student  
Government

**ISAAC GAREL**

Vice-President of  
Student Council

**STEPHANIE  
DELIOS**





# LIFE AT SBA: A STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVES



## Our SBA Chapel

### Clubs, Councils, and Teams

- Student Council, Athletic Council, Arts council, Anti-Racism Council (ARC), Faith Development Council (FDC), ESP, and more
- DECA, Chess Club, Maker's Club, Science Club, Announcements Team, Welding Club, and more
- (Junior and Senior, Boys and Girls) Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, Ice Hockey, Field Hockey, Track and Field, and more

### SBA Departments & Programs

- Science
- Tech
- Phys Ed
- Math
- English
- Arts
- Business
- Religion
- Canadian World Studies
- Moderns
- COOP

### Special Events

- Semi Formal
- Arts Night
- Rick Maloney Buyout



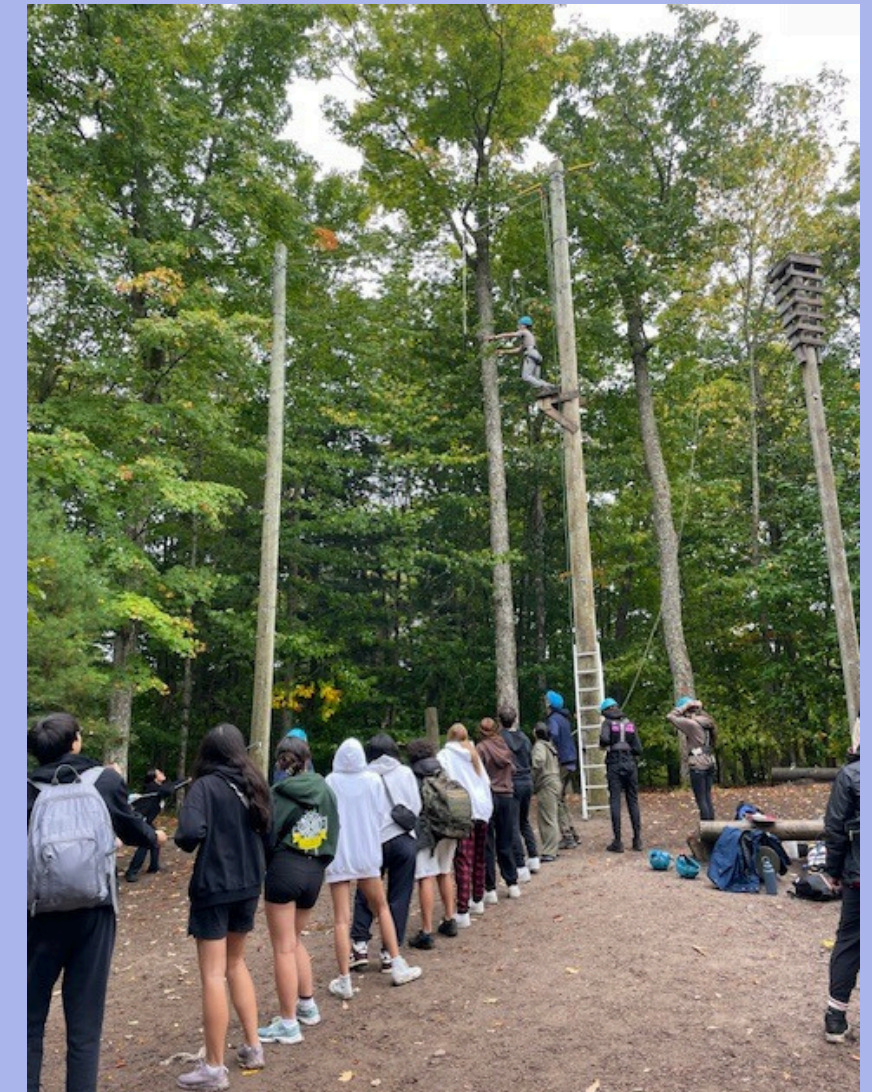
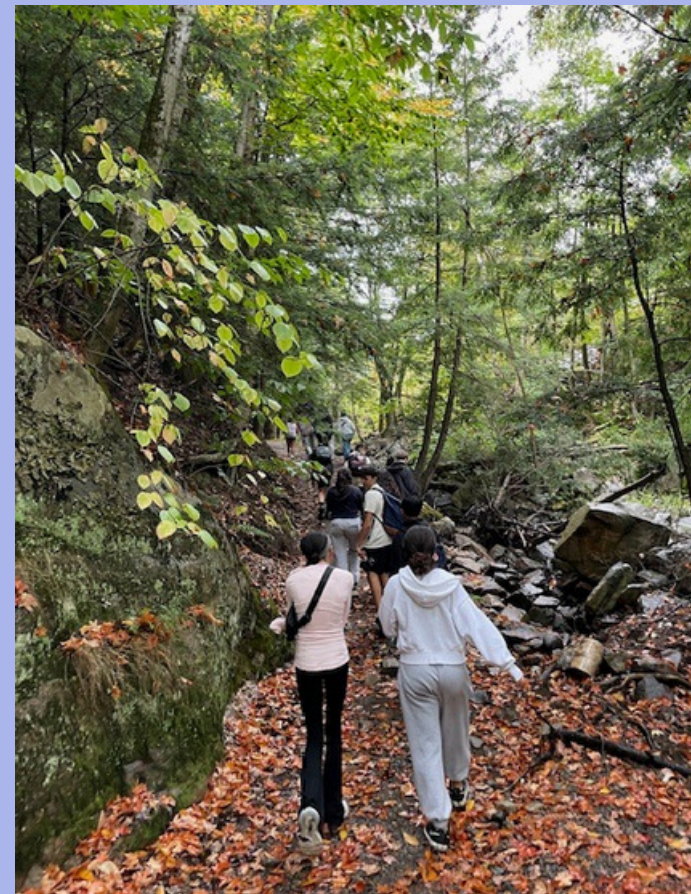
# MUSKOKA WOODS

## SEPT. 22-24, 2025

*Memories that last a lifetime!*

THE TRIP REGISTRATION PACKAGE WILL BE SENT HOME BY YOUR CHILD'S YCDSB ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN JANUARY 2025

NON-YCDSB STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE THE TRIP REGISTRATION PACKAGE FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF THEIR REGISTRATION







# REGISTRATION PROCESS

## YCDSB Student

Please refer to the [INFOGRAPHIC](#) – with needed links to complete the registration process

Registration must be completed by **Dec 13**

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# OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM

**DGN Kilters** in our official school uniform supplier

Please see the following [link](#) for the required articles and up to date prices.



DGN KILTERS



**DGN KILTERS** UNIFORM APPAREL • SCHOOLS • CLUBS • TEAMS

## ST. BROTHER ANDRE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

ST. BROTHER ANDRE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
OPEN THE DOOR LET IN THE LIGHT

LADIES / UNISEX COTTON POLO S/S  
NAVY / WHITE

LADIES / UNISEX COTTON POLO L/S  
NAVY / WHITE

UNISEX QUARTER ZIP  
NAVY

UNISEX CREWNECK  
NAVY

UNISEX COTTON SS TEE  
NAVY

UNISEX HOODIE  
NAVY

UNISEX DRESS PANTS  
GREY

LADIES DRESS PANTS  
GREY

LADIES DRI-FIT T-SHIRT  
NAVY

UNISEX DRI-FIT T-SHIRT  
NAVY

LADIES DRI-FIT SHORTS  
NAVY

UNISEX DRI-FIT SHORTS  
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UNISEX SWEATPANTS  
NAVY

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## STAY CONNECTED WITH US!

Our school has both an Instagram and a Twitter account. Information can also be found on our school website!



**Kickstart**  
York Catholic District School Board

**High SCHOOL**

**The Kickstart program consists of:**

- Literacy & Numeracy
- Design thinking
- Goal setting
- Pathways planning
- Time & stress management
- Physical activity

**YCDSB STUDENTS GOING FROM GRADE 8 → 9**

**GET READY FOR HIGH SCHOOL!**

- Develop your skills
- Earn a grade 9 credit
- Make new friends
- Meet some of the teachers

**JULY 2 - JULY 25, 2025**  
**8:30AM - 3:00PM**

Students will obtain a Grade 9 credit in General Learning Strategies (GLS10)

**STUDENTS MUST COMMIT TO MANDATORY ATTENDANCE**  
**STUDENTS ARE TO REGISTER FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL THEY WILL BE ATTENDING**

**REGISTER NOW**  
[ce.ycdsb.ca](https://ce.ycdsb.ca)

\*NEW\* Incoming YCDSB students, please click here registration instructions

# CONSIDER REGISTERING FOR KICKSTART

An opportunity to earn a high school credit before September

Occurs throughout the month of July here at SBA

Please click on the **link** for further information

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# CONTINUE TO EXPLORE!

We welcome you to take this opportunity to tour our facility and meet our staff and students

**DON'T FORGET TO GET YOUR PASSPORTS STAMPED AT LEAST 6 TIMES!**

**DROP COMPLETED PASSPORTS OFF IN THE LIBRARY FOR A CHANCE TO WIN SOME SBA SPIRIT WEAR!**

**Second Floor** *Time To TRAVEL SBA* 

Future cardinals! Don't forget to drop off your completed stamped passports in the library for a chance to win some SBA Spirit Wear!



**Thank you!** 

**First Floor** *Time To TRAVEL SBA* 

Welcome future cardinals! As you explore our school facility and meet our wonderful teachers and students, please make sure to stamp your visited location on this passport. Completed stamped passports can be dropped off in the library for a chance to win some SBA Spirit Wear!



Student's Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Elementary School: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

 St. Brother André C.H.S.



