



# CARRVILLE MILLS NEWS

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## Message from Administration

It is hard to believe that April is upon us. We want to thank families for their support and patience as we continue to work through the realities of schooling during these challenging times. Our collective perseverance, care and optimism will bode well for our entire school community. As we progress into April, it is wonderful to see that warmer weather is upon us and we encourage you to enjoy the days ahead.

We want to thank our School Council for organizing a truly amazing virtual wellness week during the week of March 1st. We hope that families continue to implement and use some of the great wellness tips and advice learned from these sessions. As a reminder, two wellness resources have been posted on our school blog for your reference.

In order to maintain the collective health of our school community, we want to remind families to continue to follow Public Health guidelines and advice. Part of this does include the use of the Daily Student Screening Tool, which needs to be reviewed on a daily basis and before sending your child to school. The tool can be accessed at: [COVID-19 School and Child-Care Screening Tool](#).

In the coming months, our staff will begin to make class placement decisions for the 2021-2022 school year. As we organize for next year, our staff will make every effort to place students in the best learning environment in order to maximize success. During this process, many factors are taken into account, such as Ministry and Board guidelines, individual needs, academic achievement, emotional and social development, behaviours, gender balance, English Language Learner and Special Education needs and work habits. Staff have the benefit of knowing the students they are currently working with and we rely on their professional decisions during this process. We appreciate that parents/guardians also have valuable information to share with us. **Please note, we will not be accepting requests for specific teachers.** If you have information or suggestions such as a learning style or classroom structure that benefits your child and will assist us in making an appropriate placement, all enquiries need to be sent to the Principal or Vice Principal via email **no later than May 14th, 2021**. When teachers, along with school administration, meet to create new class lists, we will consider the above information to help determine placement. Please note, the final decision for the placement of all students at Carrville Mills rests with the Principal and Vice Principal, in consultation with staff. Thank you in advance for your support and confidence in making the best possible choice for your child's class placement for next year.

Dennis Rossi  
Principal

Marlie Appiah  
Vice Principal

## Visit the new YRDSB website

YRDSB has refreshed its Board website to make it easier for families to find the important information they are looking for at [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca).

The new website has been designed to be mobile friendly, translatable, accessible, searchable, easy to navigate and to better reflect the York Region District School Board and our community. This includes:

- Built-in translation tool
- Enhanced search capabilities
- Built-in accessibility features to meet accessibility legislation
- Revised navigation based on user testing, website analytics and research
- Quick access to six of our most accessed pages, including school calendars and school transportation information.

The new website also includes:

- A [Family Resources](#) that provides quick access to online tools like Edsby, Google Classroom and School Cash Online, as well as links to information about translation tools, IT support for families and more. Use the “need help” button to access tips and support in using these tools.
- Updated [Online Student Tools](#) pages provide quick access to students to online learning platforms and resources to help with homework. Use the “need help” button to access tips and support in using these tools.
- An enhanced [newsroom](#) with access to the latest news, events and videos so you can find out what’s happening around our Board.
- Easy access to information about [supports for students](#), [elementary school](#) and [secondary school](#) programs, [adult learning opportunities](#) and more.

Information about COVID-19 and schools, including update information, screening tools and frequently asked questions can still be found at [www.yrdsb.ca/school-reopening](http://www.yrdsb.ca/school-reopening).

We hope that the website makes it easier for families to find and access the information you are looking for. When you visit the new website, please take the time to share your feedback, so we can continue to ensure our website meets the needs of the community we serve.

**YRDSB Budget Consultation Meetings:** If you are interested in School Board Budget information and allocation, community members are encouraged to join one of two meetings set to review the Budget Processes. **When:** On Wednesday, April 7 and Monday, April 26, and/or fill out the online budget survey (available April 7-29).

This will provide the Board with valuable information about how the community would like to see the school board budget allocated to better support student achievement and well-being. The results will be used to inform the 2021-22 school year budget allocation. Please visit the Board [website](#) for more information on how to register for the public consultations and to complete the survey (available April 7-29). If you have questions about the budget process, please contact [Budget20212022@yrdsb.ca](mailto:Budget20212022@yrdsb.ca).