

PTSA Grade 9 Family Session WELCOME!

Friday, August 25 8:30-9:30am PTSA





Introductions & Agenda for the Morning

YORK'S SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Jessica Hurt - Principal

Adam Roubitchek - Assistant Principal for Instruction

Drew McGuire - Assistant Principal for Student Experience

Tim Dykes - Assistant Principal for Culture & Climate

Rob Wagner - Assistant Principal for Athletics

Skip Kumm - Assistant Director of Special Education

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Communication with York
- 3. Athletics
- 4. Academics
- 5. Attendance



Communication with York

Friday Newsletter

Principal Podcast

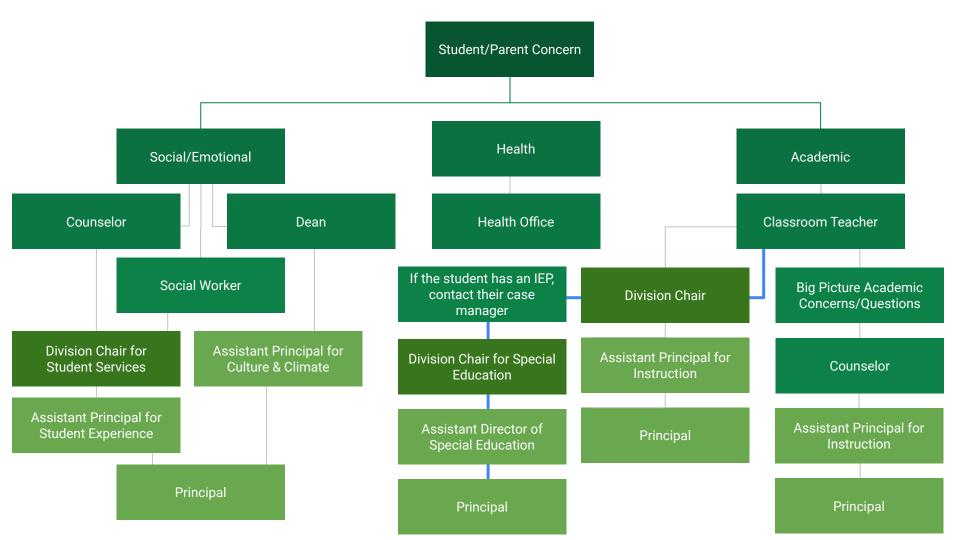
ParentSquare & StudentSquare

Quick Tip 205 - Online Tip System

Who to Contact?

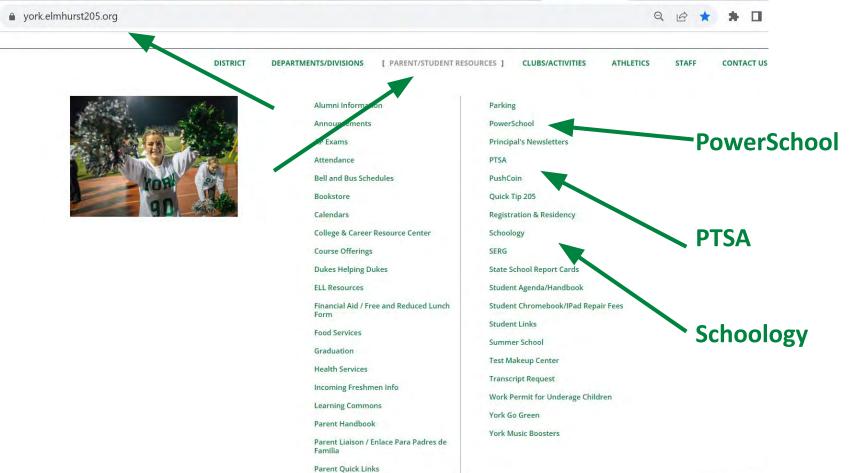
Attendance Automated Attendance Line: (630) 617-2444

Student/Parent Concern Communication Chart



York's Website: Parent/Student Resources







Athletics: Getting Involved

Get involved!

- York Offers 33 sports (just added Special Olympics Volleyball this Fall sports season)
- There are three sport seasons (Fall, Winter, Spring)
- York offers cut and non-cut sports each season
- York Athletics Website

To register for sports and athletic information https://york.elmhurst205.org/athletics/athletics-home

Young Hearts for Life Event on September 21st. Free ECG screenings for all York students.

Sign up link: https://screenings.yh4l.org/YH_enroll.aspx?echo=false

Volunteer Link: https://signup.com/go/XzjFhfD

• Guest Speaker on College Recruiting Process - Todd Scheuerman - September 27th 6:30 pm - Commons



Academics: Decoding Gradebook - Formative & Summative

What is a Formative Assessment?

- DURING the learning
- "Low stakes" (in total 0-10% of student's overall grade)
- Important for feedback on how student is understanding concepts, content and skill
- Focus on the process
- Examples: Homework, classwork, some quizzes & labs

What is a Summative Assessment?

- AFTER the learning
- Assess student performance
- "High-er stakes" (in total, 90 100% of student's overall grade)
- Focuses on the outcome
- Examples: Some quizzes & labs, unit tests, graded discussions, end of term cumulative summative assessments

Practice vs. the Match - if an athlete does not practice (give it their all, take in feedback, pay attention to deficit areas), they will not be successful in the match. This is a mindset shift for a lot of students. Help your student to see that even if it 'not worth points,' it is valuable. We do not assign 'busy work.'



Academics: Grade Point Averages

- Traditional Grading Scale During the Semester
 - 90/80/70/60/50 (Missing =0)
 - No Decimals
 - No Extra Credit
- Report Cards/Transcripts
 - A/B/C/D/F (I, P, etc.)
 - No + or -
- Grade Point Average
 - 4 Point Scale
 - \circ A = 4, B = 3, C=2, D=1, F = 0
- Weighted GPA
 - Honors credits (Including AP & Dual Credit)
 - Additional .2 added to the GPA for each Class

Biology H = A

English 9H = A

AP Human Geo = A

 $PE = A^*$

Spanish 2H = A

Geometry H = A

Unweighted GPA = 4.0 Weighted GPA = 5.0 Biology = B

English 9H = A

AP Human Geo = A

 $PE = A^*$

Spanish 1 = B

Geometry H = C

Unweighted GPA = 3.2 Weighted GPA = 3.8



Academics: Supporting Your Student

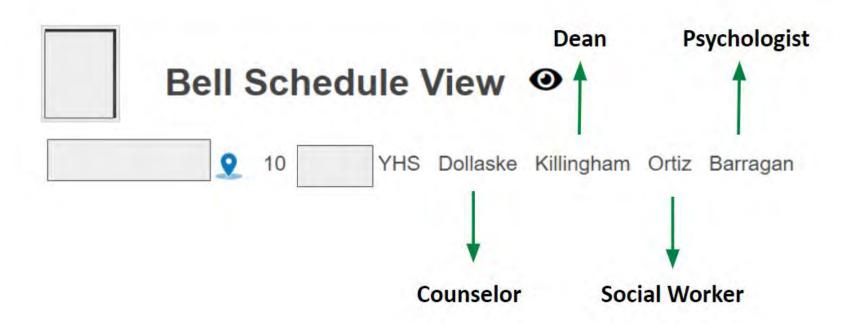
- Ask the teacher!
- Retakes/Redos
 - Shifts the focus to learning
 - Practice is expected BEFORE the retake/redo
 - Teacher will explain the procedure for each class
- Math Lab
- Homework Club
- York Saturday Success Academy



Academics: End of the Semester

- Common Summative Assessments
 - Every course will have an assessment that 'wraps things up' in the last few weeks of the semester
 - Examples could be tests, projects, presentations, papers, etc.
- Assessment & Relearning
 - The last two days of the semester
 - Block Schedule
 - Students & Teachers create a plan to demonstrate learning
 - All students invited to attend
 - Mandatory for students who have a C,D, or F

Decoding PowerSchool





Culture & Climate: Importance of Daily Attendance

- 50% of students who miss 2-4 days in 1st month of school go on to miss more than a month in the year
- Missing 10% of the school year has significant negative impacts on academic performance
 - o 10%=18 days=only 2 days a month

(Source: <u>www.attendanceworks.org</u>)

How you can help as a parent:

- Stress the importance of showing up, even on days when motivation is low, as a critical life skill
- Encourage involvement in activities, clubs, fine arts, and athletics
- Schedule appointments outside of school hours, when possible
- Schedule vacations during natural school breaks
- Limit/patrol use of electronics at night
- Solidify a family morning routine

CALLING STUDENTS OUT FOR APPOINTMENTS: PLEASE CALL (630) 617-2444 (STUDENT CHECKS OUT THROUGH York Student Services)

Student Experience: Supporting Students' Social & Emotional Health

YSS Teams

Counselor, Social Worker and Dean

YSS Programming

- FOG program for Freshman
 - Every Tuesday for 1st semester.
 - Half of lunch periods.
- College Planning assistance for all students

Student Council Events

Trivia Nights, Movie on the Field, Homecoming festivities,



Student Experience: Getting Involved

Get Involved!

- 70 different clubs available.
- Homecoming events- Girls Flag Football; Hallway Decorating; Pep Rally;
 Homecoming dance
- Other events Java Live, Athletic Events, Concerts, Drama performances,
- Looking for something to join, check out the School Website.

YTV Announcements play during 2nd period each day and help promote different events!



Questions?





Thank You for Attending!