



UPPER YORK SCHOOL

Grades 7-12

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Message from the Head of School

It is my great privilege to lead the Upper York School through its journey toward becoming a prominent, thriving, independent school in North Toronto.

As a leader in education, I believe that we as a school must recognize the responsibility we hold for ensuring high standards of achievement and success for all students. Students must always come first and this is demonstrated in our actions, behaviors and attitudes. We need to be both proactive and visionary in realizing the impact we have on students' lives as we provide a safe, inviting, inclusive and innovative environment in our school community.

“a safe, inviting, inclusive and innovative environment”

I assure you: this is a truly remarkable environment. While at Upper York, your child will have the opportunity to gain valuable life skills and strive for academic excellence in a warm, caring environment. Our small class sizes provide the opportunity to meet every child's individual needs while they work toward graduating with an Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

At Upper York, we strive to instill the social emotional values, critical thinking, problem-solving skills, initiative and confidence that will ensure our students' success during their time at our school and beyond. We take great pride in recognizing and celebrating each and every students' unique academic and social journey. From the moment each student walks into our campus, our dedicated faculty provides individual mentorship and support, inspiring and encouraging them to meet their full potential and develop into independent, lifelong learners.

Sincerely,



Russell Ash
Head of School





‘Global Citizens’



Eight great reasons why Upper York School is the best private school for your son or daughter

- Small classes where students learn how to become engaged, knowledgeable and compassionate citizens of the world.
- Low student-teacher ratio ensures every student gets more individual attention and support.
- Classes year-round, allowing students to start in September, or February, and take summer courses in July and/or August.
- Strategic location next to Hwy. 404 and just minutes from Hwy. 407 and Highway 7 means we are just minutes away by car for families in Markham, Richmond Hill, Thornhill and North Toronto.
- Safe and engaging learning environment that is a home away from home, where students grow personally and academically.
- Accredited programs emphasizing academic excellence, critical thinking and problem solving; plus other programs designed to maximize the learning outcomes of each student.
- Robust service programs that enhance the student's university application portfolio.
- One-of-a-kind building design promotes creativity and innovation.

Learn about our approach to learning

We trust that our mission, goals and philosophy will align with your expectations – and in the process move you one step closer to choosing Upper York School for your son or daughter.

Our Mission

To nurture a mindset and develop learning skills that enable students to lead by example as engaged, knowledgeable and compassionate citizens of the world.

Our Philosophy

- Provide a diverse student-centered curriculum that enables students to develop emotionally, socially, creatively and physically
- Build a learning environment where individuals are respected and valued, and work together as a community
- Challenge students to think critically, to problem solve and to use a growth mindset
- Encourage students to be leaders at home and around the world

Our Inspiration

“Don’t just learn. Experience”

– Roy T. Bennett, *The Light in the Heart*

Academic program

Making a world of difference in the lives of every student

The exceptional academic program at Upper York School is built on the understanding that our students, ranging in age from 12 to 19, have unique learning styles, strengths and challenges that can only be met with an equally varied and robust approach to learning and discovery. This means every student will go on a separate and unique academic journey that makes a world of difference in their life and the lives of others.

How we make a difference

1. Offer a rich, rigorous curriculum
2. Assess progress regularly
3. Set challenging, but realistic, goals
4. Give subject matter meaning by connecting it to the world beyond the school room
5. Build the knowledge, skills and patience required to challenge the status quo





“Connecting subject matter to the world beyond the school room”

“This is really a home away from home, you only need to spend five minutes in our lunch room, watching our students sit, eat, share and laugh together to understand that.”

– Graeme Schnarr,
Director of Academics



Classrooms
without walls.
Futures
without limits.



“We have a very global based science classroom here, not sticking to within our own four walls, or even within the school, we are connecting with everyone around the world.” – Sara Kyriakopoulos,
Science Teacher

Guidance

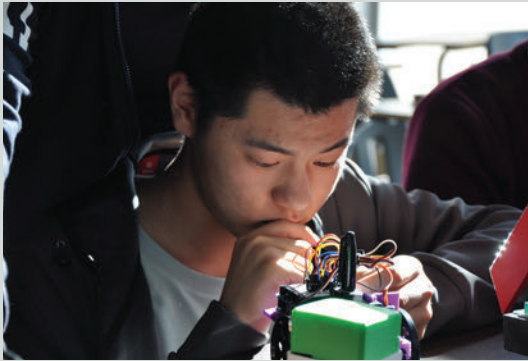


Ongoing guidance support, both formal and informal, is one more way we provide the nurturing, home-away-from-home learning environment that sets Upper York School apart from the private schools in North Toronto. The formal support includes course counselling, testing, career planning and university application support, and vocational programs. The informal support happens every day in our open spaces, where students and staff meet and talk.

“If a student needs something new, we know about it right away,” says Dorothy Hartman, Director of College Counselling.



Student Life



“ Learning matters when the lessons learned last a lifetime ”

How to apply to Upper York School

Step 1

Schedule a tour of our one-of-a-kind teaching facility, the best way to truly appreciate why we stand out among private schools in North Toronto. Tour bookings can be made by phone or email.

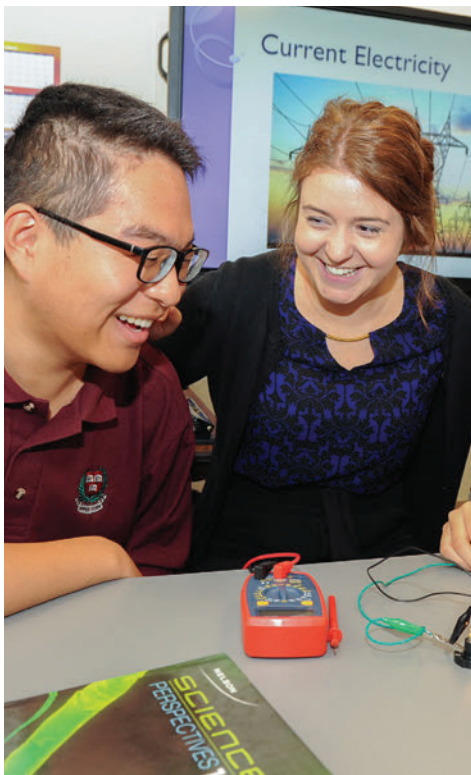
Step 2

Visit our website (www.upperyorkschool.ca), complete the online admission form and pay the \$500 non-refundable application fee.

Step 3

The parents and student meet with the Head of School, Russell Ash.

Feel free to call us 905-604-4622 at any time if you have any questions.





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