

RICHMOND HILL PUBLIC LIBRARY

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**2018**  
ANNUAL REPORT



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SUPPORTING 1,200+ RGSS STUDENTS



## EXPLORING DIVERSITY.

We collaborated with teachers in acquiring curriculum support materials on Indigenous culture, history, and arts to support the new provincial guidelines on Indigenous Studies.



## LIBRARY CARDS FOR STUDENTS.

A RHPL card grants borrowing privileges to the Library's print and electronic collections, which includes 24/7 remote access to numerous electronic databases, eBooks, apps and other tools that support the Ontario curriculum.

## WELCOMING GRADE NINES.

On their first day of school, we introduced library services and delivered library instruction to 350 Grade 9 students.

## SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS.

We delivered a weekly "Growing Life Skills" program to students with special needs in the Special Education Department.

We also facilitated the Business Department's annual Enterprise Fair in the Library.

## HUNDREDS OF CLASS VISITS.

We offered reference support to 471 class visits to the Library with a total of 5,832 students in attendance in the regular school year. We also provided library support to 26 class visits with 777 student participants during summer school.



## LITERACY AND EDUCATION.

We supported the school's Literacy Education initiative with recommended reading materials from the Forest of Reading's White Pine program.

## FACILITATING ESL SUPPORT.

We collaborated with the ESL teaching faculty to provide reading materials for English learners in ESL classes.

## SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

We promoted STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) education to RGSS students by offering a Maker Fair in the Library. Eight classes with more than 280 students participated in this one-day event. Students from the RGSS Computer Club showcased their computer coding projects. Experts from the STEAM field introduced students to the latest technological trends and provided them with hands-on experiences in virtual reality and coding.

## HELPING TEACHERS AND FACULTY.

We provided support to the teaching faculty by delivering in-class instruction on research skill development and online database searches.





## ABOUT THE LIBRARY

*Richmond Green Library, a branch of Richmond Hill Public Library, is a joint facility serving as both a public community library for local residents and a school library for the Richmond Green Secondary School. The library was officially opened in 2005.*

*The RGSS students benefit from a facility three times larger than a typical high school library; students are able to use an extensive collection of materials in both printed and electronic formats; and dedicated Richmond Hill Public Library staff who work collaboratively with RGSS staff. Library service is provided to RGSS during the regular school year and for the summer school session in July.*



# BY THE NUMBERS

In 2018, we received **331,032 in-person visits** to the Library.

**We circulated 242,053 materials**, including print and audio visual items in multiple languages, as well as loanable devices.

We provided **31,978 public computer sessions** and **122,844 wireless internet sessions**.

We delivered **1,191 Library program sessions** to children, teens, and adults with a total of **17,725 program attendees**.

### Richmond Green Library

1 William F. Bell Parkway  
Richmond Hill, ON  
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Tel: 905-780-0711

Mon - Thurs 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Friday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Sunday Closed



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