



Information for Parents & Teachers

Le Concours d'art oratoire is an annual public-speaking event for Ontario students in Grades 9 through 12 studying French Second Language in Ontario schools. This event is sponsored by Canadian Parents for French (Ontario) and the Ontario Modern Language Teachers' Association.

Students in Grades 9 through 12 participate in a competitive *concours* with cash prizes and scholarships.

Notes for Students and their Guests

- **Students can bring their parents, grandparents, other family members, teachers, and friends to watch them give their speeches.** Speeches take place in individual rooms where students are grouped with other students in the same grades and categories.
- **At each classroom, student room monitors will indicate when it is appropriate to enter and leave the room.** Please respect their directions to enable a good experience for all participants and guests.
- **All participants must remain in the classroom for the entire event,** to share the experience of the other speeches.
- Parents and other guests may move in and out of the event rooms **but only between speeches, in order not to disturb the speakers.**
- **Schedules are subject to change.** Events may move along faster or slower than expected. Those wishing to hear a particular speaker should remain in the classroom in order not to miss that speaker.

CONCOURS – GRADES 9 - 12

DATE OF THIS YEAR'S EVENT: Saturday, May 3rd, 2025

LOCATION: York University, Glendon Campus
2275 Bayview Avenue, Toronto

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

MORNING

TIME	Grades 9 – 10
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Student Registration - Atrium (main entrance)
9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.	Opening Ceremony –York Hall – Dining Hall
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	SPEECHES - Assigned speech rooms
11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Awards Ceremony for Gr. 9 to 10 - York Hall – Dining Hall

AFTERNOON

TIME	Grades 11 – 12
12:00 p.m. - 1: 00 p.m.	Student Registration - Atrium (main entrance)
1:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.	Opening Ceremony - York Hall – Dining Hall
1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	SPEECHES - Assigned speech rooms
3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.	Concert: Dining Hall
4:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	Awards Ceremony for Gr. 11 to 12 - York Hall – Dining Hall

Expenses for travel and accommodations for the participants are not covered

If you have any questions, Contact Canadian Parents for French Ontario at 905.366.1012 x 2 | 1.800.667.0594 |E: sfilippi@on.cpf.ca

DIRECTIONS

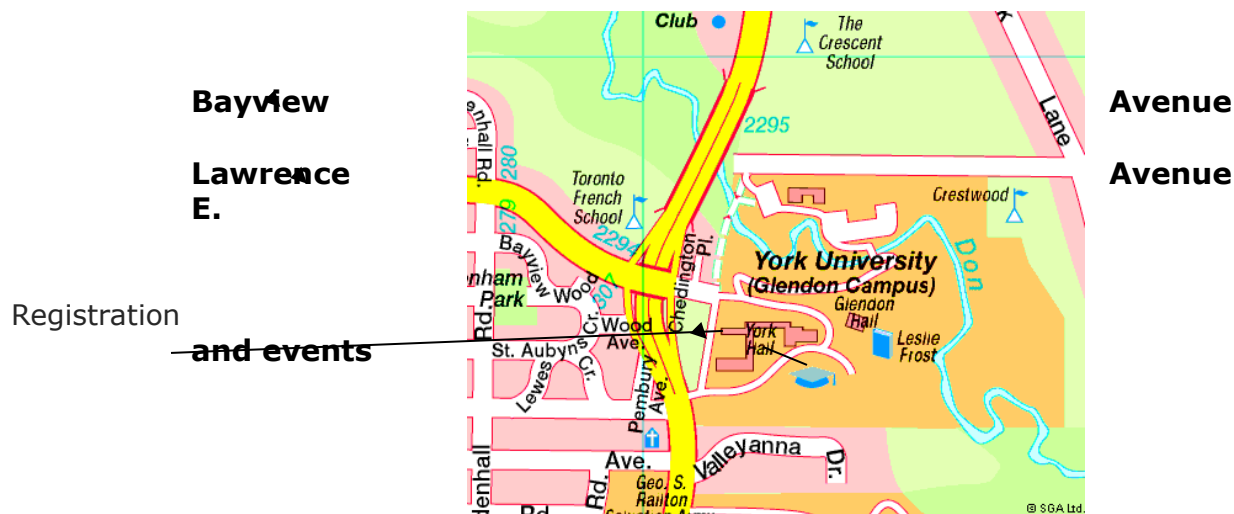
Glendon Campus, York Hall

2275 Bayview Avenue, Toronto, Ontario

www.glendon.yorku.ca/english/directions/direction.html

DIRECTIONS

Highway 401 to Toronto, exit Bayview Avenue South. Glendon Campus is located on Bayview Avenue, approximately 4 km. south of Hwy 401. Exit at Lawrence Avenue before the underpass and follow signs to the campus. Access to the campus is from Lawrence Avenue East.



REGISTRATION AND PARKING

1. All the information is here: <https://www.yorku.ca/parking/parking-rates-permits/daily-rates/>
Make sure that you display your ticket on your dashboard.
2. Upon entering the campus go straight and you will see a glass atrium. This is where registration will take place. There is a circular drive, in front where people can be dropped off. **Do not park here as it is for drop off only.**
3. There is limited parking on the main level and the cost to park on Saturday is \$7.
4. There is also a parking lot on the lower level and the cost to park there on Saturday is \$5.
5. There will be a shuttle bus running from the parking lot on the lower level to York Hall where the speeches will take place as there is a steep hill to this parking lot. **It takes approximately 20 minutes for the shuttle bus to go from the parking lot to York Hall. Therefore, please drop the student off with an adult before you park the car.**

6. In the lower parking lot people will be picked up at the shelter near the parking machine and dropped off in front of the atrium. **There is only one parking meter in this lot so it will take time to pay for parking due to the high volume of participants.** If you prefer, you can also pay your parking using this App: **Honk Mobile.**
7. **Parking is strictly enforced. You will be given a ticket if you do not pay for parking.** You will not be reimbursed for any parking tickets.

PUBLIC TRANSIT

For transit information, contact the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) at 416-393-4636 or www.ttc.ca. Be sure to specify that you are inquiring about the Saturday timetable. The nearest subway station to the Glendon College campus is Lawrence Station (on the Yonge line). From there, take the 124 Sunnybrook Hospital bus. The bus stops right in front of the campus.

ACCOMMODATIONS nearby Hotels suggestions:

1- Pan Pacific Toronto:

<https://www.panpacific.com/en/hotels-and-resorts/pp-toronto.html>

This hotel is approximately 10 minutes (by car) from Glendon Campus.

2- Toronto Don Valley Hotel & Suites:

<https://www.torontodonvalleyhotel.com/>

This hotel is approximately 14 minutes (by car) from Glendon Campus.

3- Hotel Novotel:

https://all.accor.com/hotel/0910/index.en.shtml?utm_campaign=seo+maps&utm_medium=seo+maps&utm_source=google+Maps

This hotel is approximately 16 minutes (by car) from Glendon Campus.

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Travel subsidy available in 2025 for rural and remote participating school boards' finalists, to inquire contact Stéphanie Filippi E: sfilippi@on.cpf.ca