

#15. 12th October...English Language Debate..."Neighbours for the Planet" Meeting (Friday) York University Success Story

English Language Debate...6 Leaders...5 Moderators!!

This was less an event than expected...so many leaders and such a rigid structure. The Good News, for me, was that Climate Change and the Environment was the strongest topic with a wide range of viewpoints ranging from "there is not a climate crisis" to "we must act decisively NOW, there is no second chance" and everything in between. Hopefully, this will become even more dominant in the next 12 days before the election on October 21st. **Trudeau travelled to Iqaluit, becoming the first federal leader to head to the North in the campaign's first 29 days.**

French Language Debate is on Thursday Evening

For an update on current positions and components...check BNN Bloomberg

From "Neighbours for the Planet"

At our Sept 27 climate strike, a lot of people expressed interest in joining Neighbours for the Planet and getting involved. It is very exciting to see our movement growing and we are very happy to hold our first NftP Volunteer night this Friday Oct 11th at 7-9pm.

The goal of the get together is two fold.

- 1) Come out and find out more about Neighbours for the Planet, meet other like minded people who care about the climate crisis, and let us know how you would like to help.
- 2) Take action on Climate! One thing that was loud and clear that I heard people say is they want to do something but don't know what. So, we are going to add an action to the Volunteer night. Right now I am focused on the upcoming election, so I want to do something election related. We are going to do an email blitz for climate! It can be hard to sit down and figure out what to say in an email to candidates and the media, so we will work together and help each other! The goal will be to all write up personalized emails and send to our local candidates, the federal party leaders and the media to demand more bold climate action. We can mention that we had 250 people at our Sept 27th strike in our emails to show the momentum that is growing for climate action.

Everyone is welcome! Bring a friend or just come on your own and make new friends!

Here are the details:

Date: Friday Oct 11

Time: 7-9pm

Location: St. Mary's Anglican Church, 10030 Yonge St, Richmond Hill, ON L4C 1T8
(please use entrance from parking lot)

If driving, the entrance is off Major Mackenzie Dr. Turn north on McLatchy Lane, just west of Yonge.

From “Corporate Knights”

York’s “bioclimatic” business school building is breath of fresh of air

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Five-storey solar chimney and smart windows and shades are part of Schulich's radical response to climate crisis



Photos by Steven Evans.

When visitors enter the new Schulich School of Business building at York University in Toronto, many immediately pick up on two features that are often conspicuously absent in modern structures: for a large campus building, the light-filled space is surprisingly quiet while the air is unexpectedly fresh.

“People comment about the air,” says James McKellar, a professor of real estate and infrastructure who serves as associate dean and oversaw the development of the \$50 million project, known as the Rob and Cheryl McEwen Graduate Study and Research Building. “In a normal building, the air is constantly being re-circulated. In our building, the air is very fresh and people notice.”

Visitors also observe that the windows open (a rare feature in some newer institutional or commercial buildings), and attribute the fresh air to this seemingly cosmetic feature. In fact, the explanation for the McEwen building's air quality tells the story of a much more involved and – for Canada, unprecedented – “bioclimatic” de