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Good morning. Thanks for joining us today. I'm Sidra Kahn and I'm Vanessa Tiberio. Here are some of the stories we're following for you this morning from the On The Record newsroom,

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health officials in New York are warning residents about traveling to Ontario due to the recent measles outbreak. Travelers without the measles vaccine are told to be careful ahead of the spring and summer travel season, with the Health Department warning that Measles is only a car ride away. This year, measles cases in Canada and the US have already surpassed the total number of cases in 2024

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in Ontario, just over 650 cases have been reported since January. The US has reported 483 cases across 20 states. This year, health officials advise travelers to be fully vaccinated at least two weeks before departure.

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The TTC has announced much needed upgrades at lower young station.

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The upgrade is a three phase plan to enhance commuter life and boost capacity during rush hour. The \$1.1 billion project will add a second platform for line two's eastbound service, and an expansion on line one's platform. There will also be new elevators added throughout the station and a new accessible entrance on Bloor Street East South Side. Though the TTC did not specify when these upgrades will begin. Officials hope that the station will accommodate more commuters once they are completed. Toronto's University Health Network has launched a campaign to recruit 100 medical scientists from around the world to support Canadian research

and innovation. This initiative is part of the Health Network's Canada lead strategy, which the organization says will boost the country's economy. This is among the latest initiatives to boost Canadian industries amidst the ongoing trade war with the US, scientists from the US are among those being recruited as the American government is laying off 1000s of researchers at health agencies such as the CDC, included in the program is a two year research funding commitment and mentorship from the organization premier Ford also announced earlier this week his plans to run ads in the US to attract scientists to Canada.

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On Tuesday, President Donald Trump imposed a 104%

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tariff on all Chinese imports. This comes on top of China's tariffs that were in place before Trump's second term, China was set to increase tariffs by 34% as part of the reciprocal tariffs package, but after a failed agreement between the two nations, Trump increased the tariffs last year, China was America's second largest source of imports, shipping a total of \$439

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billion worth of goods. The White House press secretary told reporters that despite several conversations with world leaders, Trump is not backing down from his tariff threats, and that they are likely to go into effect.

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The new St Lawrence Market North Building is finally open after years of construction delays. The multi use building sits on the northwest corner of front and Jarvis streets, across from the main market. The long awaited project was first approved in 2008 with plans to open in 2014 but it was pushed back for years with construction eventually starting in 2019

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the building also faced a number of cost increases, rising from \$75 million to a final price of \$128

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million the new five story building is expected to be open seven days a week for local markets, trade shows and other public events. It hosted its first Farmers Market on Saturday with its official grand opening set for May 10.

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Tmu held its very own Day of Pink event yesterday. This initiative looks to fight oppression towards the 2s LGBTQIA plus community O, trs, Gabriela, Silva Ponte reports,

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students, faculty and community members came together to fight transphobia and homophobia at the Student Learning Center's sixth floor this Wednesday. So while it does feel scary, I just

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want to remind you that we have always known we'll survive and we will do so I just you know, in a time of fear, even once I have

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that the Day of Pink is an initiative created by Canadian High school students. It is commemorated on the second Wednesday of April each year, Toronto metropolitan University's event had a keynote speaker. Shay lazon. LaRue is a Two Spirit Dene First Nations multi disciplinary artist, and appeared on season three of Canada's drag race. I think it was very important to remind.

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Remind the audience and community of our history as indigenous people and that we've survived through so many of these things, and that our stories would help impact, I guess, ongoing narratives. I think a lot of people are very fearful in this time, and I always love to remind people that we as indigenous people have faced these issues time and time again, and so in collaboration and connection to community with us, a lot of these issues could be resolved. Attendees were encouraged to wear pink this year's theme was honor re emergence, and looked to highlight remarkable moments in two SLG, BT, Qi, plus history. These included former Ontario New Democratic Party member of Provincial Parliament, Sherry de novos ban on conversion therapy for youth, and the anniversary of legal battles against the LGBT purge. The event also honored the 35 year mark of the adoption of the term two spirit among indigenous elders, and the five year anniversary of the 231

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calls to justice from the final report on missing and murdered indigenous women, girls and two spirit peoples, as the situation south of the border continues to worsen, diversity, equity and inclusion program funding cuts are taking a toll, we asked positive space faculty and staff network co chair Dan cantler, why this event matters so much now, more than ever

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right now, community is so important, and it's important to for to us LGBTQ folks and allies, to be visible, to come together in community, to stand up against fear and hate, and to be made known that we're not we're not interested in being erased. We're going to be our full selves for On The Record News, I'm Gabriela Silva ponte.

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If you plan on taking a trip down south, you might want to familiarize yourself with possible enhanced security in a travel advisory, the federal government says Canadians should expect scrutiny when crossing ports of entry. Not only can they raise questions us, border patrol could also ask to search your electronic devices. This comes after the growing tensions between the two countries, after President Donald Trump imposed many tariffs on Canada. Since the tariff threats began, Canadian travel south of the border has decreased and is expected to plunge even more during summer holidays, Ottawa urges Canadians who do continue to travel to be cooperative and to show all legal documents if requested.

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Now, Jasmine is here to go through the highlights of our semester, and she joins us here in studio. Hi Jasmine, Hi Vanessa. As we reach our last so of the semester, I'd like to highlight all of the great articles our team has published on our website this semester has been full of elections, starting with the Ontario election, our reporters covered the standards and campaign updates right up to new election play, working hard to ensure the community was informed about all The candidates before voting on the night, we had our live broadcast. We gave poll updates from the studios with teams at the major leader headquarters, our own student union here at Tmu, held it selection, which was full of controversy and date changes. Our reporters were dedicated to releasing updates and investigating what was happening and how it affected students. And with the upcoming federal election, we released a special print edition with eight stories about it. Each one covers a unique aspect, from policies and campaigns to voting day. The paper is still available at stamps all around campus, and all of the stories are also uploaded on the website to read, we were also able to highlight some of the arts and culture events happening, from photography at citizens to fashion shows. The brilliant creative work at Tmu has inspired us all

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this year, the 47th International Women's Day March was held in Toronto, and we were able to see us some of the stories of those there. We have also featured some of the inspiring women in politics, the Tmu bold had a strong semester, especially the men's hockey team, and we were there to give updates throughout the season. We also covered the billing of national anthems at games, showcasing the political use of sports. Finally, we covered the measles and norovirus outbreaks and advised our readers on how to avoid falling seriously ill this winter. Those have been our highlights from the news during the semester. I'm so proud of everyone here and all the work we've done. Our stories are all available on the website to read after this broadcast, and don't forget about our paper. Now, back to Sidra and Vanessa.

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Thanks, Jasmine. There's a major fashion event coming up this weekend. Mass exodus is an annual end of your fashion show organized by envy.

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During Tmu students, Haley sang Savannah, caught up with some of the students ahead of Saturday's show.

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Mass exodus is one of the largest student run fashion events in the world. This year's show will be held at the Student Learning Center this Saturday. It is organized each year by students in the live event super course. The theme of this year's event is blended. The event will be split into three different shows featuring final year designers. There will also be an exhibition featuring final year projects, including photography books, traditional, hand crafted garments and wine. Blended is really about giving the space back to the designers, and I hope that the guests, the designers, the models, photographers, makeup artists, when they enter the space, whether it be the runway or the exhibition, they can see that we were really trying to create a space for them. The digital team is in charge of managing the mass exodus social media and website. This year, they are spotlighting guests who wear sustainable and locally sourced clothing on their Instagram story, also being sustainable is a big part of mass ex we really try and promote that. So hopefully this gets more people to kind of align with those values. It is also the first time that the exhibition will have an opening night, giving students the opportunity to network with industry professionals and professors. As a final year fashion student, like to get your foot in the door into the industry. It's very difficult. And this is like, not just an opportunity to like show your work, but like an opportunity for like the future of these students. All three shows for mass exodus are already sold out, but for those interested, they can still visit the exhibition, which is open to the public for free. For On The Record, I'm dealing saints of them

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now. Let's take a look at an exciting week of sports news with Megan Bevis,

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Thanks, Vanessa and Sidra. History has been made in the NHL. Alexander Ovechkin is now the league's all time leading goal scorer, surpassing Canada's very own Wayne Gretzky. The record was beaten with ovechkins 890/5

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goal on Sunday against the New York Islanders. Ovechkins goal came on the power play, assisted by Tom Wilson and Dylan strong, capping off a milestone weekend that began with a two goal game Saturday against the Black Hawks. The celebration was quick, with Ovechkin diving in the ice surrounded by his teammates, a special ceremony followed with Gretzky and NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman honoring Ovechkin achievement, a historic moment for hockey as Ovechkin takes his place at the top of the all time goal scoring list.

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Toronto Blue Jays fans are celebrating a home run of a deal. Star slugger Vladimir Guerrero Jr has agreed to a 14 year contract extension worth 500 million, keeping him with the team for the long haul. The 26 year old first baseman in the final year of his current contract, will stay in Toronto after months of negotiations, which were confirmed Monday morning by multiple sources, including the Canadian Press and ESPN

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fans, are ecstatic with One Twitter user writing, Vladi is a blue jay for life. This record breaking deal is the largest in franchise history, surpassing George Springer's \$150 million contract from 2021

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it's a huge win for general manager Ross Atkins and the Jays front office, who faced heavy criticism this off season, Vladimir growl Junior will continue to be the face of the Blue Jays for years to come.

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Tragic news out of the Dominican Republic today, where former Toronto Blue Jays pitcher Octavio dodo has been confirmed dead following a nightclub collapse. Dodo, who played for the Blue Jays in 2011

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was found dead after being trapped in the rubble of the jet set nightclub and Monte Christie during a concert reports say he was rescued but passed away while being transported to a local hospital. The incident, which has already claimed at least 44 lives, caused hundreds of injuries. Dodo was reportedly trapped for around 11 hours before being found. Dodo, who had a 14 year MLB career when a World Series title in 2011

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with the Saint Louis Cardinals after the mid season trade from the Blue Jays. He was also part

of the 20th world Baseball Classic Gold medal winning team. Our thoughts are with his family and former teammates,

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and that's all for sports this week. Back to you in the studio,

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and we have some exciting stories to deliver for this last entertainment update from music festivals movies and the upcoming live performances in Toronto, with more on that. Storiga with the update, Thanks Vanessa and Sidra. That's right. The fun is on down south of the border with Coachella, starting tomorrow, kicking things off with Lady Gaga, who will headline.

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Nine on the first night of the festival. This marked her return as the headliner Since 2017 after she replaced Beyonce due to pregnancy Green Day Post Malone and Travis Scott are also the headliners for this year's festival. Two Canadian rock bands, the beaches and the tops, will perform at Coachella. Meanwhile, Ed Sheeran and Rock Band Weezer were added to the lineup as last minute additions, after several artists dropped out of the recess

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turning to movies, a Minecraft movie scored its biggest debut at the box office last weekend, bringing in over \$163 million that makes it the biggest opening ever for a video game adaptation, surpassing the Super Mario Bros in 2023

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while critics were mixed, it did not disappoint for audience, and they gave it b plus on cinema score, people under the age of 25 made up the audience according to post track polls, This movie joins the growing list of successful video game adaptations in screen in recent years, including the Sonic Hedgehog and the Five Nights at Freddy's. As of now, the Minecraft movie has earned a total of 320 \$3 million worldwide

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for our local entertainment news, the theater Canadian stage has unveiled its lineup for the 2025 to 2026 season. This upcoming season will premiere. Nine plays will beginning this summer, starting with a new production of Romeo and Juliet, which is set to hit the stage at the High Park amphitheater. Three American plays will be featured in the lineup, and one of them includes the controversial production of slave play, which revolves around interracial couples

and undermining the history of slavery, and it will premiere at Berkeley street theater. And that's all for your entertainment. Update. For On The Record, I'm Rex Astorga, back to you in the studio.

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Thanks, Rex. Well, the weather in Toronto has been rather unpredictable in the last few weeks, with sunny skies one day and ice storms the next. Now let's go back to reporter Haley sang savan, who's also got today's forecast for us and a projection for the next five days. Thank you. This is On The Record weather. Let's take a look at today's forecast.

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Make sure you grab an umbrella and bundle up today before you leave the house. Toronto will only reach a high of three degrees today. I'm sure many of us are ready for warmer springtime weather, but unfortunately, there is a 70% chance of rain or snow flurries today. With the Wind Chill, it is expected to feel closer to negative four degrees. The forecast today is pretty even across the board. Barry and Peterborough, up north will reach a high of four degrees today, just like Toronto, new market, Oshawa, Brampton, Mississauga, Guelph and Kitchener will also only reach a high of three degrees. Meanwhile, Hamilton will reach a high of four degrees. St Catharines will be the warmest today, but only just by a little. It is expected to reach a high of five degrees there. Let's now take a look at the forecast for the next five days.

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The weather tomorrow in Toronto will be yet another cloudy day with a 40% chance of showers. It will reach a high of six degrees and a low of three degrees heading into the weekend. Saturday is predicted to be more of the same. It will also be cloudy with a 30% chance of rain. It is expected to reach a high of nine degrees and a low of three degrees. Luckily, things seem to turn around on Sunday, the forecast shows that we're expected to see some sun along with some clouds. It will reach a high of 12 degrees, double digits, and a low of three degrees going into next week, Monday will also be a mix of sunny and cloudy, reaching a high of 14 degrees and a low of nine degrees. Then on Tuesday, we're expected to have another half sunny and half cloudy day. It is expected to reach a high of 15 degrees and a low of two degrees. But make sure you still pack that extra sweater, because the wind chill could make it feel like negative five degrees at night.

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That's all from On The Record weather today. Back to you in the studio.

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That's all for On The Record this April 10, 2025 I'm Vanessa Tiberio and I'm Sidra Kahn. Thanks for tuning in to On The Record News this semester. It's been an eventful one to read more of

our reporting in the latest 24/7 visit on the kecord news.ca.



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On behalf of the entire On The Record team, have a great summer. You.