



January 16th, 2024

Re: Report to PIAC Meeting

The following report is submitted to PIAC for the January 16th, 2024, meeting on behalf of the Board of Trustees for the TDSB:

Multi Year Strategic Plan report coming to January PPC Board Meeting

The MYSP is currently being reviewed and is due for final approval soon. As a reminder the MYSP centres TDSB policy and actions:

"Student success drives everything we do in the Toronto District School Board. Our Multi-Year Strategic Plan sets direction and identifies system goals to support our 246,000 students and 583 schools."

The report is coming to Planning and Priority Committee meeting January 22nd. This will be the last draft before approval in the February PPC meeting. This will also be one of the last opportunities for parents, guardians and the community at large to weigh in.

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/leadership/boardroom/multi-year-strategic-plan>

Motion to review cell phone and device use policy at the TDSB –

To be dealt with in January 17th, 2024, at the Governance and Policy Committee:

- (a) That the 2023-2024 policy review schedule be amended to accommodate the development of a new cell phone/mobile device policy to support student success and well-being;
- (b) That the new policy build on the Ministry of Education's PPM128 and PR585, Board Code of Conduct and be based on the growing body of research on cell phone use and child development, as well as a jurisdictional scan of how school boards and individual schools are approaching this challenge to determine the most productive way forward to support student academic success, mental health and well-being, including considerations of social media restrictions.

<https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/Meeting.aspx?Id=8611529a-da92-4e03-8b03-a0e5b2887312&Agenda=Agenda&lang=English&Item=14&Tab=attachments>



Funding for daycare construction

Here is an article about the state of a funding commitment for daycares for 17 daycares in TDSB schools from the Provincial government. As reported here, the TDSB has not been able to start construction on any of these projects for the last 6 years, even after having made significant commitments to self-fund part of these ourselves:

<https://thelocal.to/childcare-daycare-tdsb-gracedale-public-school/>

2024-25 Budget

The budget process is scheduled to start on February 14th, 2024. This will be the first student needs budget since the TDSB amalgamated over 20 years ago. The budget, significantly, will be presented before the GSN's are announced by the Province. This will allow parents, guardians and school advocates to imagine an improved school system.

I encourage you to take part!

I am happy to take any comments or questions from the PIAC members as needed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matias de Dovitiis".

Matias de Dovitiis
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