



**Tuesday, November 29, 2022**

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## ***PCEO UPDATES***

### **Parents, Caregivers as Partners Conference**

The first hybrid conference was held on Saturday, October 22, and Sunday, October 23, 2022. A special thank you to all our partners, staff parents/caregivers/guardians, and the planning committee for all their work. It was a great event. The conference was made possible by the funding of the Ministry of Education Grants for Student Needs formerly known as the Priorities and Partnerships Funding (PPF) and the Parents Reaching Out Grant (PRO Grant).

### **Ministry of Education Grants for Student Needs formerly known as the Priorities and Partnerships Funding (PPF) and the Parents Reaching Out Grant (PRO Grant).**

For the 2022-2023 school year, TDSB has received an allocation of \$264,000 for projects that demonstrate a commitment to respecting the role of parents/caregivers in students' educational experiences. To review TDSB project allocation visit <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Community/How-to-Get-Involved/Grants-for-Student-Need>

The School Council Innovation Grant (one of the TDSB projects) continues to focus on equity, anti-oppression, anti-Indigenous Racism, Human Rights, anti-racism, and anti-Black racism to build parents/caregivers/guardians and Council knowledge in these areas.

The grant deadline is December 9, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. For the application and other information visit <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Community/How-to-Get-Involved/Grants-for-Student-Need/School-Council-Innovation-Grant>

### **School Council By-Laws Template**

TDSB has updated the School Council By-Laws Template. All Councils are required to update or create by-laws by December 2022. For further information, please visit <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Community/How-to-Get-Involved/School-Councils/By-Laws>

### **School Council Training**

PCEO has wrapped up Council training for the year. School Councils, parents/caregivers interested in furthering their learning may engage in independent learning by reviewing the PCEOs YouTube page at <https://www.youtube.com/@pceotdsb4577>



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## **PO23-Parent, Caregiver Engagement Policy**

The Board at its May 2022 meeting approved the PO23 Policy. The new policy can be viewed at <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Detail/docId/188> TDSB is also working on a Parent, Caregiver Engagement procedure to support the PO23-Parent, Caregiver Engagement Policy.

## **Interim Expectations for Parent/Family Engagement in the School Improvement Process (SIP)**

At its meeting on June 30, 2021, the Board approved the extension of the 2019-2020 interim expectations for parent/caregiver involvement in the SIP to 2021-2022 with the addition of data sharing with parents and caregivers.

The 2021-2022 proposed interim expectations for school teams will focus on explaining the SIP and the value of parent/caregiver engagement. Principals will seek input on the initial thinking regarding SIP goals with the School Council (as required under Regulation 612) and from all parents and caregivers, particularly those, under-represented and under-served, share school data with parents/caregivers on (well-being, equity, and Achievement).

Schools will be commencing SIP work in the areas of achievement, well-being, and Indigenous Education and Sovereignty, with equity threaded in all areas.

## **TDB System Calendar**

Want to know what activities/events are taking place on the board? Visit the system calendar at <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/School-Year-Calendar>

## **TDSB Connects**

TDSB Connects is a monthly electronic newsletter for parents/guardians with information about news and events from across the Toronto District School Board. If you are a parent/guardian who doesn't currently receive TDSB Connects, please contact your local school to ensure your email address is up to date in your child's student contact record. To sign up visit <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Media/News/Newsletters/TDSB-Connects/Sep-27-2021>



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### **INFORMATION SHARING**

#### **Social Work & Community Virtual Fair for All Families with Children living with Special Needs**

- 1st session: Monday, December 5th from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon,
- 2nd session: Monday, December 12th from 5:30 pm until 8:00 pm

To join the meeting via Zoom, click here <https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/98367378226?pwd=MW9yaDZTYnBoUTRmZEpGaXVmMVAXdz09#success> or all 647-558-0588 or 647-374-4685

For further information e-mail [virtualfairinfo@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:virtualfairinfo@tdsb.on.ca)

#### **Parent and Caregiver Early Literacy Website**

As part of our commitment to early reading, Early Years has developed a [family and caregiver website](#) to encourage parents and caregivers to explore early literacy in their homes and community.

This website supplements the [Family and Caregiver Guide](#) that was released that outlines the vision of early reading in the TDSB in partnership with parents/caregivers and communities. Both the website and the Guide are led by our vision of parents/caregivers and provide an overview of foundational early reading skills and essential instructional approaches.

#### **“Supporting Students at Home”-Resources for parents/caregivers of students in French programs.**

Parents/caregivers may access resources at <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Elementary-School/School-Choices/French-Programs/Supporting-Students-at-Home>