





Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to the 2020-21 school year! I hope that you and your family had an enjoyable and safe summer.

As the elected public school board trustee for your community, my role is to advocate for you and your child, and to represent the needs of all students and parents/guardians in the Toronto District School Board.

As we prepare to re-open our schools, the TDSB is doing everything possible to ensure the health and safety of all school community members, while also providing the best academic experience possible for students, supporting mental health and well-being and considering the needs of families and staff. This year, back-to-school will be like no other as students and staff adjust to new health and safety procedures, physical distancing requirements, the wearing of masks and face coverings and so on. I want to thank you in advance for your understanding, patience and partnership as we work together to overcome these challenging circumstances.

To help support you and your child this school year, I encourage you to visit <a href="www.tdsb.on.ca/returntoschool">www.tdsb.on.ca/returntoschool</a> for all the latest updates, information and supports related to safely re-opening schools, including: health and safety measures, well-being supports, operations, daily check-lists and so much more. I also encourage you to read-up on the daily requirements for health screening and masks and face coverings, which is also available on the return to school webpage. For more information about COVID-19, including symptoms, testing and translated health screening posters, please visit <a href="www.toronto.ca/COVID19">www.toronto.ca/COVID19</a>.

To stay informed, please sign up for my e-newsletter at jamesli.net/signup and visit my webpages at <a href="www.tdsb.on.ca/Ward13/">www.tdsb.on.ca/Ward13/</a> and <a href="https://jamesli.net">https://jamesli.net</a>. For system-wide news about the Toronto District School Board, subscribe to TDSB Update at <a href="www.tdsb.on.ca/TDSBupdate">www.tdsb.on.ca/TDSBupdate</a> and follow the TDSB on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. You will also continue to receive important information and updates from your school and the system via email.

Thank you,

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# 2020-2021 Information



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Find Your School and School Superintendent: www.tdsb.on.ca/Find-your/School Board Office at 416-397-3000 or GeneralInquiries@tdsb.on.ca

PA Days & Holidays	Date
Labour Day	September 7, 2020
Thanksgiving	October 12, 2020
Board-wide PA Day	November 20, 2020
Winter Break	December 21, 2020 - January 1, 2021
Elementary PA Day	January 15, 2021
Secondary PA Day	February 5, 2021
Board-wide PA Day	February 12, 2021
Family Day	February 15, 2021
March Break	March 15 – 19, 2021
Good Friday	April 2, 2021
Easter Monday	April 5, 2021
Victoria Day	May 24, 2021
Elementary School PA Day	June 4, 2021
Secondary School PA Day	June 29, 2021

#### Quadmester Calendar:

Quad 1: September 17 - November 17 + Exams November 18 & 19 = 43 days + 2 exam days

Quad 2: November 23 - February 2 + Exams February 3 & 4 = 42 days + 2 exam days

Quad 3: February 8 - April 20 + Exams April 21 & 22 = 42 days + 2 exam days

Quad 4: April 23 - June 23 + Exams June 24, 25, 28 = 43 days + 3 exam days

\*\* Please note that dates are subject to change.

#### **Days of Significance**

Please also note the following

<u>Days of Significance (May 2019 - December 2020).</u>

<u>Days of Significance (January 2020 – August 2021).</u>

For more information, please visit www.tdsb.on.ca/schoolyearcalendar

Know what's happening at the TDSB!









### Parent Concern Protocol

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### **Classroom Teacher**

Step One If you have any questions or concerns, the first person to go to is your classroom teacher. The classroom teacher can help with:

- · Any questions about the classroom
- Classroom rules and consequences
- Homework and assignments

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## **School Principal**

Step **Two**  If you would like more information or you have questions that are beyond the classroom, the school principal can help.

- Concerns about an individual school
- Student registration
- Student schedules
- Student suspensions
- Report card concerns
- Classroom concerns
- Code of Conduct
- · Safety and security
- Budget and fundraising
- School Council

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# **School Superintendents**

Step **Three**  Superintendents are responsible for a Network of Schools. They support school staff and can be contacted if you have questions that have not been answered or for help with:

- Alternate attendance request
- Suspension appeals

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#### **Trustees**

Step **Four**  Trustees are your elected community officials. They are available to help you with the following areas of the TDSB:

- Concerns about your community
- Ideas and suggestions for the Board
- Items on Board Agenda
- Board policies under review
- Board budget
- Collective bargaining

#### **Board Office**

You can contact the Board Office directly for any questions or concerns related to:

- Continuing Education
- ESL
- Night and summer school
- Board documents
- Adult education

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