

Jenny Ann Gannon Bio

Jenny Gannon BA, BSW, MSW
PIAC Co-Rep Ward 14 Candidate

Position Related Experience

2018-Present - PIAC Co-Rep Ward 14
2022-Present School Council Chair
2017-2022 School Council Treasurer

ABOUT ME:

My name is Jenny Gannon, I am a mother of 3 awesome kids, all of which are currently attending Cassandra P.S. My desire to be part of and volunteer my time with the School and TDSB community began when my oldest started school around 7 years ago.

My first position was as school council treasurer and from that point on I hit the ground running, overseeing many contributions to this wonderful school and TDSB. Since the time my eldest entered the school system, I have volunteered my time to assist in various events at the school and within PIAC. I have been a council treasurer, Chair and a PIAC rep for Ward 14 as well as a parent rep during the vice principal interview process. In addition to this I had developed a partnership between the TDSB and the agency I work with by bringing individuals with a developmental disability to volunteer within the school to increase the community participation of individuals I support but to also help to bring education to the students and teachers regarding developmental disabilities.

I am hoping to continue taking that experience into this new year with a fresh start, to ensure that we begin in a position of better organization, transparency, and clear accountability. During my two terms as PIAC Rep for Ward 14 I have continued to grow and learn, I have taken on roles within PIAC to help other Reps and School Council members grow in their roles by leading training sessions at various PIAC workshops. I have also been the lead for the School Council Support working group which was a key player in TDSB hiring a full-time staff to finally work on getting those IT requests down for Council Members. I have a BA, BSW and MSW from York university. I have also worked over 18 years within the non-profit sector supporting individuals with a developmental disability or dual diagnosis. I have also completed my Master's practicum with the Ontario Senior Secretariat's Policy Unit where I gained a clear understanding of how government policies and legislation are created, interpreted, and understood; how they impact various stakeholders (in this case our school community) and how they are meant to be applied. All of my experience has provided me with the knowledge and dedication to take on another term as PIAC Co Rep for ward 14, and ensure I make the most out of the position to assist councils and families within the ward and across the TDSB community so our ward and in particular, our children receive the most enriched educational experience we as a community can provide them.