



# Trustee Yalini Rajakulasingam

Ward 21, Scarborough North

Dear Parents, Guardians, Students, and Community Members,

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! I hope you and your family had an enjoyable and safe summer.

As the elected Toronto District School Board Trustee for our community, my role is to advocate for you and your child and to amplify the voices of all students, parents and guardians in the Toronto District School Board. As someone that was raised in and attended schools in Scarborough North, I have a deep understanding of what the community's needs are and the inequities that many families continue to face. I have committed myself to disrupt all forms of anti-Indigenous racism, anti-Black racism and systems that continue to reinforce discrimination based on race, gender, class, abilities and geography.

After more than two years of the pandemic, we are preparing to welcome students and staff to a more normal school year in September. While the Government of Ontario has lifted most COVID-19 measures, the health and safety of our school communities remain our top priority. The TDSB will continue to monitor the pandemic and follow the guidance and direction from the Ministry of Education and Toronto Public Health as needed.

We know that school can be an exciting and overwhelming time – for both students, parents and guardians. To help you and your child have a great year, please visit [www.tdsb.on.ca](http://www.tdsb.on.ca) for information on the school year calendar, transportation and getting involved, as well as resources for homework and so much more. The Toronto District School Board is also here to support you and your family's mental health and well-being needs. For a list of tools and resources, including those tailored for students and parents/guardians, please visit <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Mental-Health-Well-Being>.

Lastly, I wish to continue to express my deepest gratitude to our frontline healthcare workers and those who provided essential services during the pandemic, such as grocery store staff, delivery drivers, take-out staff, janitorial staff, and many more. Not everyone has the privilege to work from home, and we thank all those who continued to work throughout the pandemic to keep our Scarborough North community healthy and strong.

## Upcoming Events in Ward 21

- Return to School Virtual Ward Forum
  - Tuesday, August 30 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Please email me for further information

Yours truly,

Yalini Rajakulasingam

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如果您需要翻译此信函，请联系我。

यदि आपको इस पत्र के अनुवाद किए जाने की आवश्यकता है, तो कृपया मुझसे संपर्क करें।

اگر آپ کو اس خط کا ترجمہ درکار ہو تو، براہ کرم مجھ سے رابطہ کریں۔



# 2022-2023 Information

Your School Trustee  
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## Find Your School & School Superintendent:

[www.tdsb.on.ca/Find-your/School](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Find-your/School)  
Board Office at 416-397-3000 or [GeneralInquiries@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:GeneralInquiries@tdsb.on.ca)

PA Days & Holidays	Date
Labour Day	September 5, 2022
Board-wide PA Day	September 6, 2022
Board-wide PA Day	October 7, 2022
Thanksgiving	October 10, 2022
Board-wide PA Day	November 18, 2022
Elementary PA Day	December 2, 2022
Winter Break	December 26, 2022 – January 6, 2023
Elementary PA Day	January 13, 2023
Secondary PA Day	February 2, 2023
Board-wide PA Day	February 17, 2023
Family Day	February 20, 2023
March Break	March 13 - 17, 2023
Good Friday	April 7, 2023
Easter Monday	April 10, 2023
Victoria Day	May 22, 2023
Elementary School PA Day	June 2, 2023
Secondary School PA Day	June 29, 2023
Secondary School PA Day	June 30, 2023

First day of classes for students is September 7, 2022  
The last day of class for elementary students is June 30, 2023  
The last day of class for secondary students is June 28, 2023

### Days of Significance

[www.tdsb.on.ca/daysofsignificance](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/daysofsignificance)

For more information, please visit [www.tdsb.on.ca/schoolyearcalendar](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/schoolyearcalendar)

### Follow the TDSB on Social Media



## 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
- Night and summer school
- Adult education
- ESL
- Board documents

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