

PIAC POST

SUPPORTING PARENTS AS PARTNERS IN EDUCATION

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#INTHENUMBERS

SCHOOL COUNCIL FUNDS

There are only 3 months left to spend your School Council's annually allocated funds before the school year ends.



School Councils are issued government funds annually to operate and to promote Parent Engagement. TDSB School Councils receive annually \$500 (Parent Engagement) + \$1.25 per full-time student (council admin funds) from the Ministry of Education, through the TDSB.

Depending on the size of your school, that's \$800 to \$1500! Many schools have still not spent their annual allotments. This money does NOT carry over to next year. **School Council funds must be spent by June 30.**

There's still time! Bring the conversation to your School Council about [how you can use this money](#) to benefit your school community.

PRO GRANTS UPDATE



TDSB has received an allocation of \$253,125.14 for the 21/22 school year for projects that demonstrate a commitment to respecting the role of parents/caregivers in students' educational experiences. This year's allocation supported an array of initiatives including:

- School Council Anti-Black, Anti-Indigenous, and Oppression Grant (\$170,000)
- Parents Caregivers as Partners Conference (\$10,000+15,000=25,000)
- Virtual Engagement Tools (\$13,125.14 + 10,000-reallocation = \$23,125.14)
- Central Administrative Expenses (\$25,000.00)

School Councils continue to roll out their PRO projects. See this year's [list of approved applicants](#).

Read about funding changes to the Ministry's [Grants for Student Needs \(GSN\)](#) in their release.

Check out this helpful presentation:

[“Tips & Advice on How School Councils Can Better Incorporate Equity Within Their Work”](#)

You can impact Board policy writing! Read the draft policies and provide your feedback using the contact information and links below.

P.023 Parent & Community Involvement

The new **Parent and Caregiver Engagement Policy** will set standards, improve consistency and further develop meaningful approaches to parent and family engagement

Upcoming Public Consultations:

- April 25/22 (6:30 - 8pm)
- May 5/22 (6:30 - 8pm)

Register or contribute to the policy Thought Exchange at: www.tdsbengage.ca

P.085 Student Attendance, Safe Arrival and Safe Departure Policy

Feedback survey closes May 9/22

- outline expectations for student attendance, arrival and departure
- establish intervention strategies - absenteeism
- create a system-wide standard for safe arrival and departure

P.020 Transportation of Students Policy

E-mail comments until May 22/22 to Garry.Green@tdsb.on.ca



TDSB MATHEMATICS WEBSITE - FOR FAMILIES

As a central resource for parents, caregivers and the wider TDSB community, the TDSB Mathematics for Families & Caregivers website was created to support math learning at home in partnership with teachers at the child's school.

The site includes virtual math resources, support to engage in math talks with children and additional resources to support mathematics at home.

Read the TDSB Annual Report on Mathematics

TDSB School Council Bylaw Template - coming soon

To ensure alignment of School Council bylaws to Regulation 612 and Board policy, the PCEO is preparing a bylaw template for TDSB councils to follow. It includes the 3 required bylaws as well as some recommended options.

PIAC is part of the template consultation. The template is expected to be available soon!



BECOME A PIAC VOLUNTEER!

Do you have passion for supporting parents as partners in education?

The following vacancies are open on PIAC:
Contact PIAC or your trustee about elections.

Ward 1 (Trustee Gill) - 1 position
Ward 5 (Trustee Lulka) - 2 positions
Ward 6 (Trustee Tonks) - 1 position
Ward 9 (Trustee Donaldson) - 1 position
Ward 10 (Trustee Moise) - 1 position
Ward 13 (Trustee Li) - 1 position
Ward 15 (Trustee Story) - 1 position
Ward 17 (Trustee Smith) - 2 positions
Ward 19 (Trustee Patel) - 1 position

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