

PIAC POST

SUPPORTING PARENTS AS PARTNERS IN EDUCATION

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#MAKE A DIFFERENCE

PARENTS NEEDED FOR VICE PRINCIPAL INTERVIEWS

Parents have a voice in who will be administrators in our schools.

Each year, the TDSB interviews teacher candidates for Vice-Principal positions. PIAC (Parent Involvement Advisory Committee) was instrumental in arranging to have parents participate on the interview teams for teachers applying to get promoted to the VP list.

Parents are required to attend a short mandatory training session, Feb. 9, 5:00-8:00pm. The actual interview sessions for Spring 2021 are a full day commitment: 8am – 4pm. Interviews will be held on 2 of the following 3 days: Feb. 23, Feb. 24, Mar. 2. Eligible parents will be scheduled for only 1 of these days.

Interested parents/caregivers should complete the Expression of Interest PVP 2021 form (www.surveymonkey.com/r/PVP2021) no later than **Monday, December 14**. For more information on participating, please contact Latha.John@tdsb.on.ca

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES AT SCHOOL

Change to Resources

While the Liaison Public Health Nurse program for schools is temporarily suspended, Toronto Public Health has created a COVID-19 School Liaison Team that will provide dedicated support to schools and school boards to help implement public health and prevention measures during the school year.

Talk to your Principal about accessing this, if your school needs TPH support.

www.toronto.ca/.../liaison-public-health-nurse/

SCHOOL COUNCIL on the SCHOOL WEBSITE

Posting School Council Information

Did you know that there is a School Council section on every school's TDSB website?

The section can be found under the "Parent" tab. School Council information like minutes, annual reports, events and contact information can be posted on the School Council section with the help of your school admin team.



CMHO (Children's Mental Health Ontario)
Mental Health Resources for Remote Learning

<https://cmho.org/your-childs-mental-wellness-and-remote-learning/>

FUNDRAISING/DONATIONS INFORMATION

For information on public, School Council, and corporate monetary and in-kind donations for:

TDSB'S COVID-19 Central Relief Fund Student Nutrition Programs
Technology in Schools Winter Clothing Drive
Water Bottle Fundraising Initiative Central Equity Fund
School Ground Projects



Go to: www.tdsb.on.ca/.../How-to.../Fundraising/Donations

Conference Resources

Coming Soon!

Did you attend the PIAC conference in November? Didn't, but wish you had? PIAC will be posting conference resources from the sessions on their website soon.



School Councils
READY • SET • ENGAGE

Go to www.torontopiac.com for tons of great information!

#HAVEYOURSAY: TDSB CONSULTATIONS 2020/2021

Policy Consultations Have Returned!

Two policies that were placed on hold in March are now open again for public consultations. **The Records and Information Management Policy** is a new policy that covers the effective, efficient, and secure management of recorded information - including identifiable data on your student. **The Advertising and Distribution of Materials Policy** is a revision of the existing policy that dictates how and what is advertised on school property to students, families, and staff.

You can read these draft policies and comment through the TDSB Consultations webpage, www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Policies-Procedures-Forms/Policy-Consultations. Deadline is December 31/20.

Please note that Trustees recently asked for a revised Policy Schedule to prioritize important consultations during the pandemic. This Schedule will be brought to the Trustees in January for implementation in Spring 2021.



BECOME A PIAC VOLUNTEER!

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

The following vacancies are available on PIAC:

- Ward 1 (Trustee Gill) - 1 position
- Ward 3 (Trustee Nunziata) - 1 position
- Ward 7 (Trustee Pilkey) - 1 position
- Ward 10 (Trustee Moise) - 2 positions
- Ward 12 (Trustee Brown) - 1 position
- Ward 16 (Trustee Aarts) - 1 position
- Ward 21 (Trustee Rajakulasingam) - 2 positions

Ward elections will be held virtually.

Contact your Trustee or info@torontopiac.com

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