

# PIAC POST

SUPPORTING PARENTS AS PARTNERS IN EDUCATION

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## #RISING TO THE CHALLENGE

### SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

#### NEW TDSB Guidelines

Elections will be held within 30 days after school opening, by the week of November 1. The election of parent members may be held using any of the following methods:

- **Hybrid Election – In Person & ZOOM Meeting Election** – In person voting at a safe space in the school for parents who do not have access to virtual platforms. For those with access to virtual platforms, the anonymous polling feature will be used for secret ballot voting during a live ZOOM election meeting.
- **Virtual ZOOM Meeting Election** – Elections can be held during a live ZOOM meeting using the anonymous polling function for voting. Pre-registration is required.
- **Virtual ONLY Voting Using Survey Monkey** – An anonymous ballot can be created and distributed using Survey Monkey. All parents will receive the ballot and vote within a defined time period.

More detailed [instructions HERE](#)

Guide for [Zoom Elections](#) and [Survey Monkey Elections](#)

### VIRTUAL SCHOOL COUNCILS

#### Zoom School Council Meetings

Check out PIAC's [Best Practices & Tips for Zoom](#)

Free Zoom accounts have been acquired for all TDSB School Councils, Council Chairs have access to Zoom through their TDSB School Council email account. There will be a message in your inbox for activating your Zoom account.

School Councils can use Zoom for council meetings, sub-committee meetings and virtual community get-togethers.

Chair email support:

<https://sites.google.com/tdsb.on.ca/schoolcouncil>

### SAVE THE DATE

PIAC Annual Conference

### READY, SET, ENGAGE!

Navigating the School Year Together

**Saturday November 21 &  
Sunday November 22**

This school year is unlike any we have experienced before, and PIAC invites you to join us in our first ever two day virtual Parent and Caregiver Engagement Event!

Registration will open in November.

**TDSB information pages for Virtual Schools**  
<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Virtual-School>

# PARENTS PARTNERS

## Virtual Conference 2020

October 24 and 25, 2020

### The TDSB Parents as Partners Conference is heading online!

#### FREE Registration open now!

This online version offers all the same exciting, inspiring and informative content as the in-person conference, but allows you to participate from the comfort of your own home.

This year's conference takes place over two days – **Saturday, October 24, and Sunday, October 25.** It includes 2 amazing keynotes plus breakout sessions and workshops on a variety of interests and needs.

For more Information, go to: [www.parentsaspartners.ca](http://www.parentsaspartners.ca)

### Mental Health & Well-Being matters more than ever

Check out the **TDSB Mental Health Moments** on getting back into a routine, where to go for help at the TDSB, changing sleep routines, and more, as we get back into school.

<https://bit.ly/2GHM2So>



### Health & Safety for In-Person School

For COVID-19 Guidance, Mask Requirements, Daily Health Screening and more, go to:

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Return-to-School/Health-and-Safety>

## #HAVEYOURSAY: TDSB CONSULTATIONS 2020/2021

You can provide your comments, suggestions or ask questions using the contact information below.

### Parent & Community Involvement Policy

To give your feedback during the development of the first draft of the policy, go to:

[www.tdsbengage.ca](http://www.tdsbengage.ca)

### Advertising & Distribution of Materials Policy

View the [Draft Revised Policy](#) and send your comments to:

[businessdevelopment@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:businessdevelopment@tdsb.on.ca)

### Specialized Schools & Programs Policy

View the [Draft New Policy](#), or watch the video:

<https://youtu.be/r2mTJHUTloA>

Do the feedback survey: <https://bit.ly/3cvDsBS>

### Records & Information Management Policy

View the [Draft New Policy](#) and send your comments to [rim@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:rim@tdsb.on.ca)

### For the full TDSB policy review cycle:

<https://bit.ly/2H2jtjd>



## 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 7 (Trustee Pilkey) - 1 position

Ward 10 (Trustee Moise) - 1 position

Ward 12 (Trustee Brown) - 1 position

Ward 21 (Trustee Rajakulasingam) - 2 positions

**Ward elections will be held virtually.**


Contact your Trustee or [info@torontopiac.com](mailto:info@torontopiac.com)

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