# 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 <a href="https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Virtual-School">https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Virtual-School</a>

### 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.

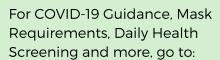
For more Information, go to: www.parentsaspartners.ca

### 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



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: <a href="https://www.tdsbengage.ca">www.tdsbengage.ca</a>

#### Advertising & Distribution of Materials Policy

View the <u>Draft Revised Policy</u> and send your comments to:

businessndevelopment@tdsb.on.ca

### **Specialized Schools & Programs Policy**

View the <u>Draft New Policy</u>, or watch the video: <u>https://youtu.be/r2mTJHUTloA</u>
Do the feedback survey: <u>https://bit.ly/3cvDsBS</u>

#### **Records & Information Management Policy**

View the <u>Draft New Policy</u> and send your comments to <u>rim@tdsb.on.ca</u>

### 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

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