



# Full-Day Kindergarten: Year Three 2012-2013

## Teaching and Learning

- The Full-Day Early Learning Kindergarten Program document has served as a foundation for the implementation of Full-Day Kindergarten. In the TDSB this program has been further supported through the use of the interactive Kindergarten Learning Strategy. This strategy focuses on providing Kindergarten students with a balance of direct instruction and play-based learning in all areas of the curriculum.
- Ongoing support for Kindergarten teams occurs through individual classroom visits by Early Learning instructional leaders, the development of Kindergarten team networks within Family of Schools, and a variety of system-wide professional learning opportunities.
- Opportunities to develop the Teacher and Early Childhood Educator (ECE) collaborative team have been welcomed and create successful teaching and learning partnerships within the classroom.
- Schools are supporting our youngest learners as they transition into school. Centrally, staff representing Teaching and Learning, Child Care Services, Parent Family and Literacy Centres and Special Education are available to Kindergarten teams to assist in supporting this transition.
- Professional learning sessions are being provided to support Full-Day Kindergarten teams in beginning implementation. Sessions include modules of learning focused on Comprehensive Literacy and Numeracy in Kindergarten and supporting English Language Learners and French Immersion Learners in Kindergarten.



### Additional FDK Schools for 2012-2013

Africentric Alt School  
Alexander Muir/Gladstone  
Ave Jr & Sr PS  
Berner Trail Jr PS  
Blacksmith PS  
Blake Street Jr PS  
Blaydon PS  
Braeburn JS  
Briarcrest JS  
Brock PS  
Bruce Jr PS  
Calico PS  
Carleton Village J&S Sports  
& Wellness Academy  
Cedar Drive Jr PS  
Cedarvale CS  
Centennial Road Jr PS  
Charles G Fraser Jr PS  
Chartland Jr PS  
Crescent Town ES  
Cresthaven PS  
Daystrom PS  
Dixon Grove JMS  
Dovercourt PS  
Earl Beatty Jr & Sr PS  
Eastview PS  
Eglinton Jr PS  
Essex Jr & Sr PS  
Fenside PS  
Finch PS  
Firgrove PS  
First Nations Jr & Sr School  
of Toronto  
Flemington PS  
General Mercer Jr PS  
George P Mackie Jr PS  
George R Gauld JS  
George Syme CS  
Givins/Shaw Jr PS  
Golf Road Jr PS  
Grey Owl Jr PS  
Guildwood Jr PS  
Gulfstream PS  
Highland Heights Jr PS  
Highview PS  
Humber Valley Village JMS  
Humewood CS  
John A Leslie PS  
Joseph Brant Sr PS  
Keelestone Jr PS  
Kensington CS  
King Edward Jr & Sr PS



### Additional FDK Schools for 2012-2013

Lanor JMS  
Lescon PS  
Leslieville Jr PS  
Lord Dufferin Jr & Sr PS  
Lucy Maud Montgomery PS  
Lynngate Jr PS  
Lynnwood Heights Jr PS  
Manhattan Park Jr PS  
Maple Leaf PS  
Maryvale PS  
Maurice Cody Jr. PS  
Montrose Jr PS  
Morse Street Jr PS  
Nelson Mandela Park PS  
Niagara Street Jr PS  
Norman Cook Jr PS  
Oakridge Jr PS  
O'Connor PS  
Ogden Jr PS  
Ossington/Old Orchard Jr PS  
Parkside ES  
Percy Williams Jr PS  
Perth Avenue Jr PS  
Pineway PS  
Pleasant PS  
Poplar Road Jr PS  
Prestegyn Heights ES  
Ranchdale PS  
Rawlinson CS  
Rivercrest JS  
RJ Lang E & MS  
Roden PS  
Roselands Jr PS  
Rouge Valley PS  
Ryerson CS  
Scarborough Village PS  
Shaughnessy PS  
Sheppard PS  
Shirley Street Jr PS  
Shoreham Public Sports  
& Wellness Academy  
Silverthorn CS  
St George's JS  
Stilecroft PS  
The Elms JMS  
Valleyfield JS  
Warren Park Jr PS  
West Hill PS  
Westway JS  
William G Miller PS  
Willow Park Jr PS  
Yorkwoods PS

## Fast Facts

- In September 2010 the Ministry of Education's Early Learning Program (ELP) or Full-Day Kindergarten (FDK) initiative began in 71 schools throughout the TDSB.
- In September 2011 an additional 19 schools implemented FDK for a total of 90.
- In September 2012 an additional 100 schools implemented FDK for a total of 190.
- The Ministry defines class size for all FDK classes as a system class size average of 26. A range of class sizes is expected when meeting a system average, there are some schools with class sizes above and below. As of the fall 2012, the class size average for all FDK classes in the TDSB is 24.6.
- Parenting and Family Literacy Centres support close to 900 Kindergarten children and their families prior to Kindergarten entry in 56 FDK schools, and continues to offer programming for any younger siblings who are not yet enrolled in school.
- For September 2012, there are 9 schools and 15 classes that offer FDK in French Immersion Senior Kindergarten programs. Professional learning is being provided by the FSL department for ECEs and French Immersion Teachers to support the implementation of inquiry-based and play-based learning programming in a second language program. Students are given more exposure to French language and are developing literacy and numeracy skills in French throughout the day.
- This year, the total number of schools with FDK *Before and After School Programs* is 64. Programs are provided through third-party licensed child care operators, with two schools, Parkdale Jr & Sr PS and Cedar Drive JPS offering as part of the pilot, board-operated FDK *Before and After School Program* pilots.
- Child Care Service Managers continue to work with the City of Toronto Children's Services to monitor and support collaborative practice within the shared space arrangements.
- TDSB Child Care Services worked in close collaboration with operators, the City of Toronto Children's Services Department and the Ministry of Education, Child Care Licensing Division to meet the licensing and operating requirements for all these additional sites.

