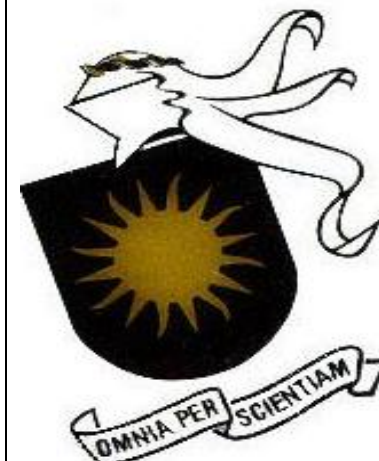


Quote of the week


“ GREAT THINGS COME FROM THREE THINGS...
**COMMITMENT,
HARD WORK AND
STRONG FINISHES.**”

GARY RYAN BLAIR

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All Things Through Knowledge

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>June 23</p> <p>Exams</p> 	<p>June 24</p> <p>Credit Rescue (term work only) – AM only</p>	<p>June 25</p> <p>Day 1, sem2, exam return day and marks' communication to students (AM) Period 1: 9 - 9:45 Period 2: 9:50 - 10:35 Period 3: 10:40 - 11:25 Period 4: 11:30 - 12:15</p>	<p>June 26</p> <p>Commencement: 9am, Parkview Manor</p>	<p>June 27</p> <p>Final Staff Get Together, Key Dropoff and Farewells</p>

June 30 No School	Sept. 2 Day 2 First Day of School Late Start: P1 @ 9:55am	Sept. 3 Day 1	Sept 4 Day 2	Sept. 5 Day 1
June 12-17: Moratorium June 18-24: Exams June 24: Credit Rescue (term work only) – AM only June 25: Day 1, sem2, exam return day and marks' communication to students (AM) Period 1: 9 - 9:45 Period 2: 9:50 - 10:35 Period 3: 10:40 - 11:25 Period 4: 11:30 - 12:15 June 25: Marks, 1 comment, learning skills due by 3 pm June 26: Commencement - 9am, at Parkview Manor June 27: Final Staff Get Together, Key Dropoff and Farewells July 4: Report Cards electronically sent August 27: Head Start to High School; 10am meeting with gr. 9 parents/caregivers in library			Sept. 2: First Day of School: Late Start: P1 @ 9:55am Sept. 12: P1 Caring and Safe Schools assembly; Club Carousel during extended lunch. Revised Schedule: Period One: 9:00 – 10:45 (extended) Call down for the assembly to Caf: Gr. 9&11: 9:15; Gr. 10&12: 10:00 Period Two: 10:50 – 11:45: *Please excuse student leaders to set up the caf for the Club Carousel LUNCH: 11:45 - 1:00; Club Carousel in the Caf with Burgers Period 3: 1:00 - 2:05 Period 4: 2:10 - 3:15 Sept. 17: Late Start: Staff Meeting Sept. 24: Late Start: PLC Oct. 10: Grade 9 Day/Leadership Class and SAC	

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Key Dates – School Year Calendar 2025-2026

KEY DATES – SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR 2025-2026

The official school year calendar for the Toronto District School
Board runs from September 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, inclusive

Professional Activity Days	September	October	November	January	February	June
Elementary Schools	26	10	14	16	13	5, 26
Secondary Schools	26	10	14	29	13	25, 26

Designation of Professional Activity Days	
Elementary	Secondary
1. September 26, 2025 – Professional Development 2. October 10, 2025 – Professional Development 3. November 14, 2025 – Parent Teacher Conferences 4. January 16, 2026 – Assessment and Reporting 5. February 13, 2026 – Parent Teacher Conferences 6. June 5, 2026 – Assessment and Reporting 7. June 26, 2026 – Professional Development	1. September 26, 2025 – Professional Development 2. October 10, 2025 - Professional Development 3. November 14, 2025 - Professional Development 4. January 29, 2026 - Professional Development 5. February 13, 2026 - Professional Development 6. June 25, 2026 - Professional Development 7. June 26, 2026 - Professional Development

EQAO: - The following dates have been established:

Gr. 9 Math: TBD
Gr. 9 Math: TBD

OSSLT: TBD
Primary/Junior EQAO: TBD

Dates to Remember - School Year Holidays (as per Ministry of Education)	
Labour Day:	September 1, 2025
Thanksgiving:	October 13, 2025
Winter Break:	December 22, 2025 – January 2, 2026
Family Day:	February 16, 2026
Mid-Winter Break:	March 16-20, 2026
Good Friday:	April 3, 2026
Easter Monday:	April 6, 2026
Victoria Day:	May 18, 2026

Royal Agricultural Fair

Big thanks to Mr. Kunanec and his students, for landing our partnership with the Royal Agricultural Fair with DMCI! This past weekend was the announcement of their 2025 Ambassador, Rosie the donkey 😊 Our students presented to all the key stakeholders, MP's and community leaders with incredible foods all cooked from our own gardens, by amazing chefs!



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Summer 2025 Well-being Guide

As the school year winds down, families may experience a mix of excitement and the need for support. The [TDSB Summer 2025 Well-Being Guide](#) offers culturally responsive and identity-affirming resources and activities to help families support their and their children's mental well-being throughout the summer. From mindfulness tips and community programs to creative and physical activities, the guide is designed to help every family make the most of the season. Available in the TDSB's top 22 spoken languages, this guide ensures support is accessible and inclusive for all during summertime!

If you have any questions, please email mentalhealthandwellbeing@tdsb.on.ca .

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Exam Schedule

Wednesday, June 18, 2025 9:00 - 11:00 am			Thursday, June 19, 2025 9:00 - 11:00 am			Friday, June 20, 2025 9:00 - 11:00 am			Monday, June 23, 2025 9:00 - 11:00 am			Tuesday, June 24, 2025
Classes / Teachers	Rm	Hrs	Classes / Teachers	Rm	Hrs.	Classes / Teachers	Rm	Hrs.	Classes / Teachers	Rm	Hrs.	Credit Rescue for term work only! By appointment morning session. <u>No Cafeteria Service</u>
ENG4U6.1-Barbour, T.	CAF	2	SPH4U1.1 - Tuong, Y.	101	2	SCH3U1.55 - Chan, E.	214	2	SBI3U1.1-Reis, J.	106	2	
ENG4U1.5-Barbour, T.	CAF	2	SPH4U1.3- Tuong, Y.	105	2	SCH3U1.2- De Jesus, M.	202	2	MCV4U1.1-Johnson, S.	CAF	2	
ENG4U1.4-Livingstone, T.	CAF	2	SPH3U1.3-Duenas, C.	106	2	SCH3U1.6 - Chan, E.	207	2	MCV4U1.2-Defreitas, V.	CAF	2	
ENG4U1.6-Livingstone, T.	CAF	2	SPH3U1.4.Tuong, Y.	108	2	MPM2D1.4-Jaffer, S.	CAF	1.5	MCV4U1.3-Defreitas, V.	CAF	2	
MBF3C1.1-Luu, M.	101	2	FSF3/4U1.1-Liu, G.	230	2	MPM2D1.1- Miron, L.	CAF	1.5	PSK4U1.1-Lane, G.	130	2	
CLU3M1.1-Hallman, J.	226	2	HHCS/4U1.1- MacKinnon, E.	204	2	MPM2D1.2- Miron, L.	CAF	1.5				
MCR3U1.4- Alveza, S.	LIB	2	HSB4U1.1, Gross, B.	126	2	MPM2D1..7- Papafrangos, A.	CAF	1.5				
MCR3U1.6- Alveza, S.	LIB	2	CLN4U1.2-Hallman, J.	226	2	SBI4U1.2, De Jesus, M.	205	2				
MCR3U6.1- Alveza, S.	LIB	2				SBI4U1.3, De Jesus, M.	204	2				
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MCR3U1.2-DeFeitas, V.	202	2										
MCF3M1.1-Duenas, C.	204	2										
Conflict/Resource	109	2	Conflict/Resource	109	2	Conflict/Resource	109	2	Conflict/Resource	110	2	
NO CAFETERIA SERVICE			NO CAFETERIA SERVICE			NO CAFETERIA SERVICE			NO CAFETERIA SERVICE			Wednesday, June 25, 2025
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ENL1W1.6, Livingstone,T	CAF	1.5	SNC1W1.4 - Takhar, R	105	1.5	MTH1W1.8- Bhucher-Kundan, S.	204	1.5	SNC2D1.6- Takhar, R.	105	1.5	
ENL1W1.8, Blatt, J	CAF	1.5	SNC1W1.1- Ferreira, L	106	1.5	MTH1W1.1- Duenas, C.	220	1.5	SNC2D6.1-Hall, J.	106	1.5	
ENL1W1.2- Tzouhas, J.	CAF	1.5	SNC1W1.2- Ferreira, L	108	1.5	MTH1W1.2- Johnston, S.	232	1.5	SNC2D1.7-Hall, J.	108	1.5	
ENL1W1.6- Tzouhas, J.	CAF	1.5	CHC2D1.5,-MacInnis/Shah	CAF	1.5	ICS3U1.2-Tam, J.	118	2	MDM4U1.1-Johnson, S.	LIB	2	
ENG2D1.7, Solakis, M.	LIB	1.5	CHC2D1.1-Czeban, J	CAF	1.5	BAT4M1.1-Prattas, T.	105	2				
ENG2D6.1, Varelas, G.	LIB	1.5	CHC2D1.3-Czeban, J	CAF	1.5							
ENG2D1.4, Varelas, G.	LIB	1.5	CHC2D6.1-Gross, B	CAF	1.5							
ENG2D1.6- Blatt, J.	LIB	1.5	CHC2DP1-Gross, B	CAF	1.5							
SCH4U1.1- Hall, J.	205	2	CHC2DP.1-Greene, B	CAF	1.5							
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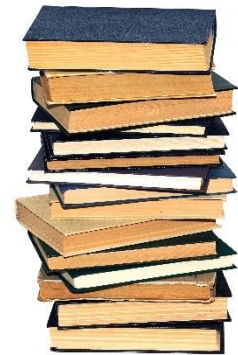
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CULMINATING ACTIVITIES POLICY

1. Attendance during the Culminating Activity period is mandatory. Many courses have activities that take place over several days and students must be present each day to participate. Participation is vital as a presenter and audience member (when applicable).
2. Any student discovered cheating on a Culminating Activity will receive a mark of "0". Further consequences may apply, refer to the student agenda pages 18 to 21 hard copy or the TDSB Connect App.
3. If you are unable to participate in or submit a Culminating Activity due to illness:
 - Phone the school 416-395-3190 *before* the Culminating Activity is due for submission or is scheduled and inform your teacher(s).
 - Obtain a doctor's note specifying that you were too ill to complete a Culminating Activity on specific days.
 - Submit the doctor's note to your Vice Principal within two school days of the absence or submission date.
4. Students who miss a Culminating Activity will receive a mark of "0" unless an alternative evaluation is deemed warranted by the Principal. Students granted an alternative evaluation will receive a mark of "0" until they complete the alternative evaluation.



Exam Dates and Culminating Activities



The exam dates are June 18-24.. Teachers will have communicated to students if an exam falls during these dates, via the Course Outline/Syllabus that students received at the beginning of the course. Please speak to the teacher directly if you have any questions.

For Culminating Activities (major projects/assignments/presentations) that do not fall during these dates, students are also responsible to make sure they complete these on the due dates. Please speak directly to the teacher for any questions about these assignments.

Moratorium is the 4 days prior to exams and only review work is done during this time unless there is no exam in that course. For example, if the course has an exam and a culminating activity, that culminating activity cannot be done within the four days of moratorium. However, if the course does not have an exam but it has a culminating activity, then that culminating activity can take place during the moratorium days. The moratorium days are from June 12-17.

Missing an Exam

These rules are to help support students to prepare for all the expectations in any post-secondary institution and even in the workplace to show up and be on time. Balancing mental health and resilience is the factor here. We know exams can be stressful and now is the time that teachers are preparing all students for their final evaluations occurring at the end of June.

If a student misses an exam or an end of semester culminating activity, only a medical note from a doctor is accepted. The note must also express that the student was too ill to do the exam – or if it is a culminating activity then the note will state the student was too ill to do the culminating activity. Students/parents/guardians/caregivers will also need to provide this note directly to the Vice Principals in that student's alpha: A-L: Mr. Vanek and M-Z: Ms. Baker. If a student misses an exam and/or handing in their culminating activity by the due date in any course without the medical note, the result is a mark of zero. Due to the timeline of these evaluations and the final marks being due immediately after, there is no makeup or credit rescue for these final evaluations. Please speak to your son/daughter to ensure you are also aware of all exam and culminating activity/final evaluation due dates.

Please do not book vacations for the students **during exam days or when culminating activities will take place**. Students **will not be** excused from **exams or culminating activities** because of a vacation during those days.

For any questions of concerns re exams/culminating activities, please speak to the Vice Principals in that student's alpha: A-L: Mr. Vanek and M-Z: Ms. Baker.

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Official Launch of the 2025 Backpack & School Supplies Drive

As we look ahead to the 2025-2026 school year, many students in our community will be excited to head back to class. For some, that excitement is overshadowed by the stress of not having basic school supplies on their first day. A backpack filled with the essentials can make a world of difference in a student's confidence, preparedness, and feeling of inclusion.

This year, the need is great as we face greater uncertainty around the impact of tariffs, significant costs in housing and general rising costs of living in Toronto. Your donation can empower a student to learn with confidence, ease the burden on families who are struggling and set the tone for a positive school year.

A \$25 donation = one backpack for a student.

How you can help:

1. Make a monetary donation towards the purchase of a backpack and supplies on [School Cash Online](#) (select the "TDSB Backpack Campaign" from the drop down menu).
2. Donate a new backpack or school supplies. We are accepting donations of new backpacks and school supplies (gender neutral in colour, basic school supplies such as pencils, crayons, calculators etc.). Please complete our [Donation Information Form](#).
3. Spread the word with colleagues, friends and family.

Please help us to give the necessary resources for students to succeed.

For more information please go to www.tdsb.on.ca/backpacks or Educational & Business

Partnerships, businessdevelopment@tdsb.on.ca.

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June Learning Sessions for Staff and Families

Learning and engagement sessions continue to be made available for both staff and families, providing valuable opportunities to explore inclusive and anti-ableist practices and concrete strategies to use in the classroom and at home. These sessions are designed to support student achievement and well-being. Please click this [link](#) to access the sessions being offered.

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Student Services Update for Gr 11 Parents and Caregivers

Hello, Grade 11 parents

Your child will be completing grade 11 this June and entering their final year of high school next year in grade 12. For some students this brings on challenging decisions about post-secondary options. Is your child interested in college, university, apprenticeship, a gap year, or the work force? All options are valid options.

Starting to think about these big decisions now and during the summer is super important. Next year in grade 12, students will need to start applying for various post-secondary options beginning in late October and/or early November.

To help you and your child begin researching about post-secondary options you can use the following resources.

1. To research University programs and options students can visit the OUinfo website at: <https://www.ouinfo.ca/>
2. To apply to an Ontario University, students can visit the OUAC application website at: <https://www.ouac.on.ca/>
3. To research and apply to an Ontario College, students can visit the OCAS website at: <https://www.ontariocolleges.ca/en>
4. For US Colleges and Universities, students can visit the Common App at: <https://www.commonapp.org/>
5. If your child is interested in pursuing post-secondary scholarships, they can start by visiting the following websites; www.yconic.com, www.scholartree.ca, www.studentawards.com
6. If your child is interested in pursuing an apprenticeship trade, they can visit: <https://www.oyappajo.com/> for more information.
7. If your child is considering a gap year they can start to learn more and plan a gap year by visiting: <https://www.cangap.ca/> or <https://osca.ca/for-students/>

Then in the fall of grade 12, the guidance department will be hosting post-secondary fairs, workshops, and assemblies to support your grade 12 child in the process of making informed decisions and submitting post-secondary applications, etc...

If at any time you have any questions or concerns, please connect with your child's alpha guidance counsellor.

Thank you, the guidance team.

Mr. McDowell – Alpha A-G

Mr. Stoitsiadis – Alpha H-O

Ms. Carey – Alpha P-Z

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Sports, Clubs, Committees, Field Trips, Speakers, Yearbook, Events:

The school is very active this year, and unfortunately without this fee, we will not be able to provide our students that have unpaid to access our clubs, sports, field trips, yearbook etc..

Thank you to parents/guardians/caregivers for paying the Student Activity Council fee of \$50. For those that have not paid, please send the \$50 through the link [UPDATED LINK FOR \\$50 FEE FOR CASHONLINE](#)

If there are any challenges with payment, please reach out to the vice principals and arrangements can be made.

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Ultimate Coders - Summer Camps

Students (SK-12) will learn to code all week this summer, and march break, when you register for a full-day camp below. Half-day options are available too!

- [1] SUMMER WEEK 1: JULY 7TH-11TH
- [2] SUMMER WEEK 2: JULY 14TH-18TH
- [3] SUMMER WEEK 3: JULY 22ND-25TH
- [4] SUMMER WEEK 4: JULY 28TH-AUG 4TH
- [5] SUMMER WEEK 5: AUG 11TH-15TH
- [6] SUMMER WEEK 6: AUG 18TH-22ND
- [7] SUMMER WEEK 7: AUG 25TH-AUG 29TH

To register visit: [https://ultimatecoders.com/program-landing?utm_source=email&utm_medium=email+marketing&utm_campaign=SUMMER+CAMP+REGISTRATION+OPEN+NOW+@+ultimatecoders.com!+\(clone\)+\(06-02-2025\)](https://ultimatecoders.com/program-landing?utm_source=email&utm_medium=email+marketing&utm_campaign=SUMMER+CAMP+REGISTRATION+OPEN+NOW+@+ultimatecoders.com!+(clone)+(06-02-2025))
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Credit Summer School 2025 (Continuing Education and e-Summer)

Continuing Education Secondary Summer School (Remote/Synchronous & In-Person)

- Dates: July 2 - July 25, 2025
- Courses Offered: Remote Full Credit, Remote Adult, Remote Credit Recovery - Only Grade 9 and Grade 10 courses will be available through Continuing Education.
- Gr. 8 to 9 Reach Ahead: In-Person Reach Ahead opportunity only: TAS1O1 - Exploring Technologies.
- In-Person Sites: TBD. To ensure equitable access, the program will be available to all students across the city. However, the program's operation is subject to enrollment levels.

e-Summer July & August Summer School (Online)

- Dates: July Session: July 2- July 25, 2025. August Session: July 28 - August 22, 2025
- Courses Offered: Only Grade 11 and Grade 12 courses will be available.
- Gr. 8 to 9 Reach Ahead: Not offered for e-Summer.

Please share this information with your staff and school community to ensure families and students are aware of these opportunities. Further details regarding registration and course availability will be shared in the coming weeks and on our respective websites: www.creditprograms.ca and [TDSB e-Summer Program](#).

Thank you for your support in ensuring the success of our summer programming. For more information, please contact Centrally Assigned Principal Linda.Edwards@tdsb.on.ca or Centrally Assigned Vice-Principal Patricia.Davies@tdsb.on.ca or Centrally Assigned Vice-Principal Peter.Gazzellone@tdsb.on.ca
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Trustee Update

Farzana Rajwani • Ward 14: Don Valley East
Toronto District School Board
416-395-8787 • Farzana.Rajwani@tdsb.on.ca




June 2025

National Indigenous History Month – June 2025

June is National Indigenous History Month, and June 21 marks National Indigenous Peoples Day. On June 21, we also recognize the Summer Solstice—a time of reflection, celebration, and community for many Indigenous Peoples.

Throughout the month, the TDSB's [Urban Indigenous Education Centre \(UIEC\)](#) will host virtual workshops and panel discussions featuring Indigenous artists, authors, and speakers. Highlights include sessions with Alyssa and Conlin Delbaere-Sawchuk on Métis history and Elder Blu Waters on Two-Spirit histories.

The TDSB honours the diverse cultures, histories, and contributions of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples. Staff can learn about the [meaningful learning opportunities](#) for National Indigenous History Month on TDSBWeb.




Pride Month – June 2025

June is Pride Month at the TDSB! It is a time to celebrate the diversity, resilience, and history of 2SLGBTQ+ communities. We encourage all school communities to engage in intentional conversations about identity, equity, and inclusion.

This year, the TDSB is offering [a range of resources and information](#) to support learning, reflection, and celebration during Pride Month. Pride is both a celebration and a movement rooted in the fight for rights, dignity, and visibility.

I invite students, staff, families, and allies to join the TDSB contingent at the Toronto Pride Parade on Sunday, June 29, 2025. Join us in celebrating Pride and supporting 2SLGBTQ+ students, staff, and allies across the TDSB




Italian Heritage Month – June 2025

The TDSB is proud to celebrate Italian Heritage Month each June, recognizing the rich cultural legacy and contributions of Italian Canadians. This year's theme, [La Dolce Vita: Celebrating the Sweet Life of Italian Culture](#), highlights the joy of simple pleasures, family, food, music, and art.

An in-person celebration will be held at Newtonbrook Secondary School, featuring student performances, guest speakers, and cultural presentations. A video of the event will be shared for all to enjoy.

In honour of Seniors Month, students across the TDSB will create postcards featuring Italy's national flower, each with a heartfelt message or drawing. These will be delivered to residents of Villa Colombo Home for the Aged throughout June.



Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month – June 2025

Each June, the TDSB proudly recognizes Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month, a tradition since 2011

that aligns with the Province of Ontario's Celebration of Portuguese Heritage Act. This month is a time to honour the vibrant Portuguese-speaking communities and their many contributions to our society. This year's theme, [A Festa of Food](#), invites students and staff to explore the rich culinary traditions of the Portuguese-speaking world.

All members of the TDSB community are invited to attend the Portuguese Parade on Saturday, June 7, 2025. Meet at 9 a.m. on Oakwood Avenue (north of St. Clair Ave. W.). The parade begins at 9:30 a.m. and concludes at noon. Join this vibrant and colourful event that brings the Portuguese-speaking community together in celebration of Luís de Camões!

TDSB Budget: Recent Trustee Advocacy Updates

As the TDSB prepares for [key budget decisions](#) in June, Trustees continue to advocate for fair and sustainable education funding. On May 23, the Ontario government announced [core education funding](#) for the 2025–26 school year. While the TDSB is projected to receive approximately \$3.4 billion, [this amount still falls short](#) of covering the actual costs of delivering education in Toronto.

Trustees have been raising awareness about the growing financial pressures facing the Board. Despite efforts to find efficiencies, the TDSB continues to face a projected [\\$34.4 million deficit](#). This deficit is driven by factors such as an estimated [\\$1,500 per-student funding shortfall](#) when adjusted for inflation, unfunded increases in staffing costs, and the inability to close underused schools due to the provincial moratorium.

Trustees remain committed to [advocating for funding](#) that reflects the real needs of students and schools in Toronto. As we approach [key budget meetings in June](#), we will continue to push for solutions that prioritize student success

TDSB Latinx/o/a Task Force Update

Following a recent community consultation, the TDSB Latinx/o/a Task Force is forming a working group to organize system-wide educational opportunities for learners from the Latin American diaspora. A new

online consultation is being planned for the fall, and a call out will be made for students, parents/guardians, educators and community members to take part in the working groups that will make up the Task Force.

The goal of the Task Force is to bring back a report to the TDSB with specific actions and recommendations on how to improve the success rate of students from the Latin-America diaspora. To stay informed or get involved, please contact jessica.ruiz@tdsb.on.ca.

Student Transportation for the 2025–26 School Year

The [Toronto Student Transportation Group](#) will phase in student transportation services for the 2025–26 school year. Service will begin on Tuesday, September 2 for students with special education needs (excluding those in the gifted program). All other eligible students will begin transportation on Monday, September 8, pending driver availability.

Families are encouraged to sign up for the [Student Transportation Parent Portal](#) to receive important updates and route information


TDSB Summer Well-Being Guide Now Available

As we head into the summer months, the TDSB is pleased to share the [Summer Well-Being Guide](#), which is designed to support the mental health and well-being of students and families throughout the break. The guide offers a wide range of culturally responsive and identity-affirming resources, including mindfulness practices, creative activities, physical movement ideas, and connections to local programs.

Available in the TDSB's top 22 spoken languages, the guide is a valuable tool to help families enjoy a healthy, balanced, and restorative summer.

Special Education and Inclusion Newsletter for Parents/Guardians/Caregivers


I am excited to share the [monthly Special Education and Inclusion Newsletter](#), designed to support families in navigating the journey of supporting students with special education needs. Each edition is packed with valuable resources, practical tips, and inspiring success stories to empower families and their children. The goal is to provide you with the tools and information you need to help your child thrive. Click the link above to find all editions or click the following links to read the June 2025 publication via [PDF](#) or [Microsoft Word](#).



Supporting Math Learning at Home

The TDSB is committed to supporting families and caregivers in helping students succeed in mathematics. The [Mathematics for Families & Caregivers site](#) offers helpful tools, strategies, and resources to support math learning at home in partnership with your child's school.

I also invite you to explore the [Math Achievement Action Plan](#), which outlines our district-wide efforts to enhance math teaching, learning, and achievement. Stay informed by reading the latest community newsletter and learning more about how we are working to improve student outcomes in mathematics.



FROM LAST MONTH



2025-26 School Year Calendar

I am pleased to share the [2025-26 School Year Calendar](#)! The first day of classes for all students is Tuesday, September 2, 2025. All families are encouraged to review the calendar and plan ahead for the upcoming school year.

Parent Involvement Advisory Committee (PIAC) News

Stay connected with the latest news, updates, and resources from the Parent Involvement Advisory Committee! [PIAC's monthly newsletter](#) provides valuable information to help parents and guardians stay informed and engaged with the TDSB community.

PIAC's mission is to support, encourage, and enhance parent engagement to improve student achievement and well-being. The group consists of volunteer parent representatives from each of the Board's 22 wards, a Trustee representative, the Director of Education (or designate), and representatives from several Community Liaison Groups.

Register for Kindergarten Today!

Register for English Kindergarten programs today! Children who will be four by December 31, 2025, are eligible to start Junior Kindergarten in September 2025. We cannot wait to welcome these young learners to TDSB schools.

Families can register their child online at tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten or in person at the school. Remember, even if you register online, you will need to validate your registration information in person at the school. Visit the [Kindergarten at the TDSB](#), [Before- and After-School Programs](#) and [Extended Day Programs](#) webpages for more information.

ONGOING REMINDERS

Virtual Drop-In Hours: Pathways to Care for Mental Health

Did you know the TDSB offers drop-in hours for educational presentations that provide the knowledge and tools necessary to support the well-being of students at home and in school? [Visit the TDSB website](#) to view session dates and themes.

Special Education and Inclusion 2024-25 Drop-In Sessions

Special Education and Inclusion is pleased to offer drop-in sessions for parents, guardians, and caregivers. These sessions aim to provide information and resources for accessing special education

supports and services. Participants can ask questions, share experiences, and connect with other families in a friendly environment. Please [see the flyer](#) for upcoming dates, times and links.

Official Social Media Channels

I encourage all social media users to follow the TDSB accounts for the latest news and updates. You can find us on [X](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#), [Threads](#), and [Bluesky](#)

Questions and Concerns

Here at the TDSB, we are always open to hearing your questions and concerns and make every effort to address them as quickly as possible. Your child's classroom teacher is the first point of contact, followed by the school's principal, the school superintendent, and me, your Trustee! Learn more about [Steps to Address Questions and Concerns here](#).

Upcoming Meetings

The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 18, 2025. Visit the TDSB website for a [full list of upcoming meetings](#).



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Have a Great Weekend!

