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Dear Students, Parents and Guardians,

RE: Gifted (Grades 9-12) Transportation Services

On 19 June 2019, Toronto District School Board trustees approved a number of budget reductions to balance the 2019-20 operating budget. The TDSB, and school boards across Ontario, were required to make difficult decisions to reduce operating costs as a result of millions of dollars in funding reductions by the Ontario Ministry of Education.

One of the reductions approved last week is the elimination of TTC tickets/tokens for students in the Gifted program in Grades 9-12. As the Board currently spends more on student transportation than we are funded for by the Ministry, it was necessary to look at reductions in order to balance the budget.

In cases of financial need, schools will continue to provide TTC tickets/tokens. Please contact your school Principal if you require more information.

For more information about the TDSB's budget and the reductions that were made to balance next year's budget, please visit www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Business-Services/Budgets-and-Financial-Statements/2019-20-Budget.

Sincerely,

Craig Snider

Acting Associate Director

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