



## **VOLUNTEERS – Police Records Check (PRC)**

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Under Regulation 521/01 of the *Education Act*, school boards must obtain police records checks (PRC) on all existing and new employees, service providers and others who come into contact with students. Once a records check has been collected, school boards are required to collect, on an annual basis, Offence Declarations (a form to update a person's information on file by declaring any new criminal code convictions). The intent of the legislation is to ensure that schools and classrooms are safe places for students.

## **NEW VOLUNTEERS**

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### **Volunteers (18 years of age and over)**

TDSB values the tremendous contributions of our parent and community volunteers who give so much of their time and effort to make our schools better places. While the legislation does not speak specifically to volunteers, it has been the TDSB's past practice to require police records checks on volunteers who have regular contact with students (including community-based coaches working with school teams). This practice is consistent with the approach adopted by other community groups.

**Parents are encouraged to contact the School principal with any questions regarding the process.**