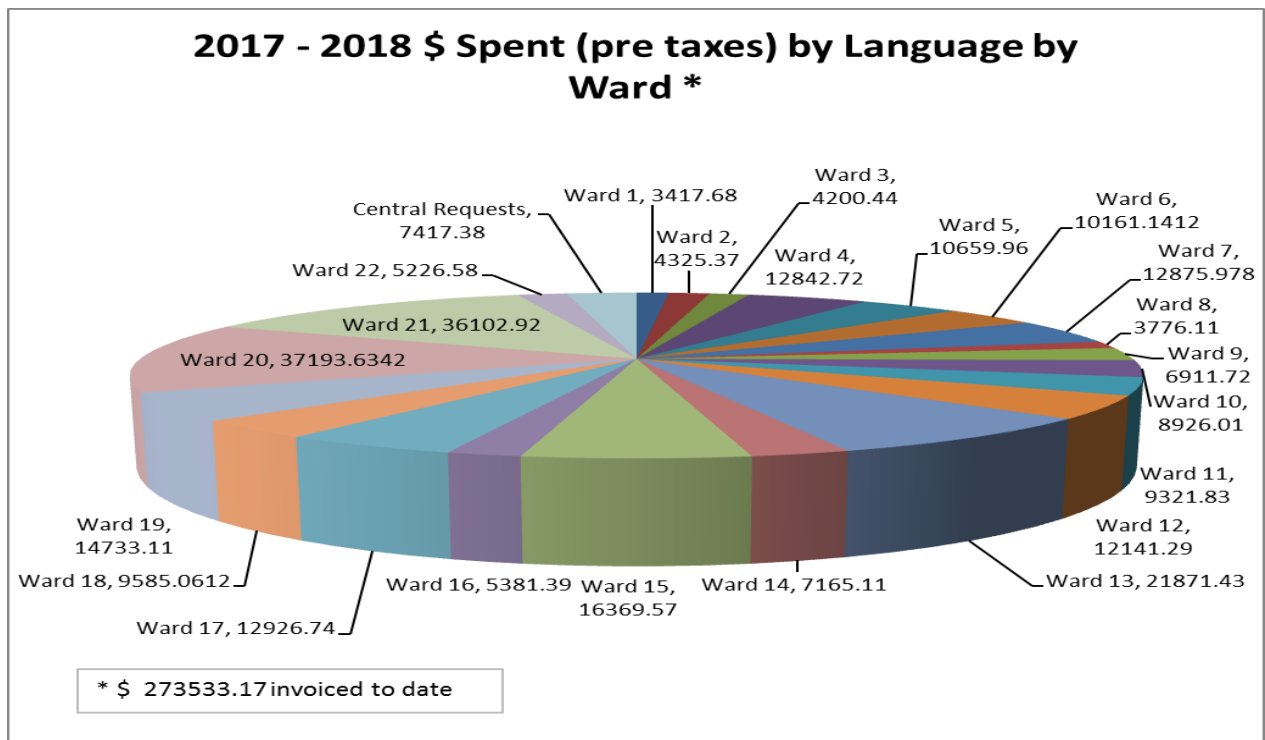




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PCEO UPDATES

The interpretation/Translation and Sign Language service is one of the services delivered by the PCEO. The following chart outlines the level of service delivered to date by wards.





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Occasional Child Care Attendants

Occasional child care is a service provided by TDSB schools to facilitate parent engagement and attendance at meetings. It is an informal, unlicensed arrangement for the care and supervision, on a non-recurring basis of children whose parents/guardians or families are receiving and/or participating in TDSB Board/school activities.

Childcare Attendants

- Childcare Attendants are Casual-School Support staff who offer occasional child care services **on school sites** while parents/guardians and families are attending school related events and activities (e.g. parent-teacher interviews, School Councils etc.).
- Schools/councils are required to use Child Care Attendants for parent/family events
- PCEO is presently working with Employee services to explore, training for attendants and automated access.

PIAC FOLLOW UP ITEMS

Permit Fee Waiver for School Council Events Update

- The Board is in the process of reviewing the Community Use of School Space Policy. PCEO is presently in conversation with staff around the inclusion of school councils in the policy and their usage/access of TDSB space. The policy will be available for consultation soon.

School Council & CAC E-mail to Gmail Process Update

- PCEO is piloting a staffing share with IT to try and address the technical staffing supports for CACs and school councils having challenges with e-mail accounts and Academic Workspace. The pilot has been successful to date in supporting councils with TDSB e-mail challenges. Councils may contact John.manalo@tdsb.on.ca
- Gmail will be rolled for the beginning of the next school year 2018-2019 (Sept/Oct)
- Council accounts will continue as a shared mailbox



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- Passwords have been extended to one year
- Password management (ability to change own password) will be explored for council supports for 2018

P/VP Interview Process-Parent Involvement

- Successful interviews were held on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 & Tuesday, March 6, 2018. All reserved parent participants attended with the exception of one who was replaced with an alternate.
- PCEO will meet with ES to review process.

TDSB Fundraising Policy

- The fundraising policy is presently at stage 2 in the Board's policy review process. The policy is presently being developed by staff. PCEO is participating in the policy development process. Although the policy was scheduled for the April 2018, Governance and Policy Committee meeting, the delay of all processes due to the Enhancing Equity Task Force process may result in a fall 2018 delivery.
- PIAC will be kept updated on the process and will be consulted.

INFORMATION SHARING

Home School Program (HSP)

- In the 2018/19 school year, HSP will only support Junior and Intermediate students (Grades 4-8 only). No Grade 2 or 3 students will be placed in HSP in the next school year. There will be no reduction in the Community Based Resource Model (CBRM) which includes HSP staffing, or CBRM Education Assistants at the system level because of this remodeling.



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The Child and Family Services Act

- On January 1, 2018, amendments to the Child and Family Services Act came into effect. The amendments raised the age of protection from 16 to 18 to increase protection services for more vulnerable youth in unsafe living conditions, to support their education and to reduce homelessness and human trafficking.
- All persons continue to have a mandatory legal duty to report suspicions that a child is in need of protection applies only to children younger than 16. A person may however, make a report regarding a child who is 16 or 17 but under the amended Act, they may not be brought to a place of safety without their consent.

School Council Funds, Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grants & Other Grants

- School Councils are *allocated funds by the Board to support their work*. The Board has allocated \$1.25/student with a *minimum of \$300.00 and a maximum of \$1,000* to all councils. The funds can be accessed by contacting the Principal
- The **Ministry allocate \$500.00 each year** support activities that are geared to reaching parents who are not accessing council/school activities. These funds will be arriving in the school by December and can be accessed by contacting the Principal
- **Approved 2018 PRO Grant funds have been uploaded** to school budgets. Councils are encouraged to commence implementing their projects Funds can be accessed by contacting the school
- *TDSB Business Services has researched a number of grants that councils may explore. To access this list of grants school council chairs must request that the school activate the school council TDSB e-mail account. Once the account is activated councils may visit:*
<https://oursite.tdsb.on.ca/org/DOM/pages/Contests,%20Grants,%20Scholarships.aspx> for a list of grants.



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- **Continuing Education provides financial & in-kind support to schools** hosting educational workshops/information sessions for parents of students in Grades 1 to 12. Funding in the amount of \$3.00 per parent participant (based on parent sign-in sheet). Schools/councils may also access door prices/TDSB promotional items. For further information contact:

Elementary/JHS Schools: maria.mihajlovic@tdsb.on.ca

Secondary Schools: winsome.brockett@tdsb.on.ca

NOTE: IPRC meetings, Parent-Teacher Interviews, and curriculum nights are not eligible for this funding.