

PIAC Working Group REPORT

Working Group	PIAC Annual Parent Conference 2017
Date	September 21, 2017
Description/Objective	<p>PIAC hosts an annual Parents Make a Difference Conference each year in the fall. The goal of the conference is to promote and support parent involvement and engagement in their children’s education.</p> <p>The conference offers workshops, networking, and information from various educational organizations to all parents/guardians with children in the TDSB and community members. This year, we will be co-hosting this event with Middle Childhood Matters Coalition Toronto (MCMCT).</p> <p>The various workshops will cover elementary school topics, secondary school topics, school councils, as well as topics on special education, mental health, aboriginal learning, French, and Equity.</p> <p>Childminding, transportation, and translation services are offered.</p> <p>More information is available by contacting info@torontopiac.com</p> <p>Date: Saturday, November 25, 2017 Time: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Location: Earl Haig Secondary School 100 Princess Avenue</p> <p>Map</p>
Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parent Conference headline title has been streamlined for easier communication. It now reads “Nurturing Family Engagement”. • Issues with Earl Haig S.S. permit. Auditorium has been booked by Earl Haig students from 10:30 am onwards, (Students have first priority when it comes to booking space in their own school.) causing our request to be “bumped”. We’ve altered our schedule as follows to accommodate, starting in the auditorium until 10:30 am, then reconvening in the cafeteria for closing remarks: <p>8 am – Registration/Refreshments/Market Place 9 am – Opening Remarks 9:30 am – Keynote Speaker (Shanker) 10:30 am – Workshop #1 11:40 am – Workshop #2 12:45 pm – Lunch and Market Place 1:45 pm – Workshop #3 3:00 pm – Closing Remarks</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electronic Save-the-Date messages have been sent out. • Booked Keynote speaker – Dr. Stuart Shanker. Will speak on self-regulation. • Booked Childminding Coordinator – Dagmar Grasser. Dagmar has helped in previous years at Earl Haig and is quite familiar with what is needed for the event. • Booked Buses – will be six routes, as before, run by 10-12 school buses. MCMCT will offer Bus Marshals to help with this service for a smoother run. • Flyers and invites now prepared and ready to be mailed. • Weighing in on food options...Buffet style or boxed? Coffee/tea or just juice and water? Pizza for the children. • Workshop development is progressing well. We have 27 workshops available to our Conference attendees (who will only select 3 for the day). Workshops are scheduled for 60 min. each. • Vendors to choose to stay half or full day at rate of \$50 per hour
Motion(s)	None at this time
Question(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How would PIAC members like to get involved this year? We are looking for volunteers for various positions during the day of the event (Volunteer Coordinator, Set-up, Registration, Greeters/Guest Information, Guest assistants, Food Handlers/Servers(?), PIAC Table, Childminding help, Runners, Photographers, Tear-down/Clean-up...). • Some of the above mentioned tasks can be completed by student volunteers. Do you have a teen who would like to help out while earning volunteer hours? Contact Conference Leads or CoChairs • We ask that all PIAC members make the time to attend (even if briefly), to connect with parents and reflect on PIAC as a whole or to just chat about your particular Ward. Parents do appreciate this.
Next Steps and Action items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book catering. • Obtain all workshop titles/summaries for online registration site. • Open Online Registration by October 23rd at the latest. • Registration site will be monitored for questions/comments • Prepare flyer/invite for mail out the week of October 16th. • Rent tables/Chairs, mics/sound system, projector/laptops. Michelle Monroe will assist with this.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteer T-Shirts – obtain a quote. Would like green t-shirt with PIAC logo on front and VOLUNTEER on back. • Review content for swag bags • Create a Conference Evaluation Form • All material for swag bag due by: Wednesday, November 1st (Material must be received by Latha John by this date.) • The next working group meeting has been set for Monday October 16th at 5050 Yonge St.
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