



School Councils

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Workshop Descriptions

Effective School Councils
Council meetings should be opportunities to share information, learn about learning, and provide families with the tools to support their children. But too often, we get caught in the weeds. This workshop will look at committees, volunteers and some of the initiatives Councils can take to create authentic family engagement in our schools.
Presenter: Nancy Angevine-Sands
Our School... Our Community... Our Space
Do you know that more than 500 TDSB schools are available for community use? Are you aware that TDSB permit costs are subsidized for community groups? As a parent, this workshop will guide you through the process for permitting schools, permit requirements, spaces available and types of programs you can run in a school. It will also highlight the permitting process and procedures for school councils
Presenters: Ndaba Njobo - Facility Permitting Coordinator, TDSB Permit Unit Ugonma Ekeanyanwu – Facility Permitting Team Lead, TDSB Permit Unit
Parent Engagement for Father Figures or the Male Role Model
This is an interactive look at the big roles fathers play within the TDSB, the impact they have on their children and community while looking at some of the barriers fathers face and how to break through them. This is an essential discussion for all fathers who want to be more involved and engaged within the TDSB school system.
Presenter: Christopher Levien
School Council Bylaws
One can't hope to have an effective Council without a firm foundation. This workshop will take participants through the need-to-know of writing Council bylaws. Whether you're looking to update your current document or write a new one, this workshop will keep you focused on what's important - and how to get there
Presenter: Nancy Angevine-Sands
School Councils Communications 101
Conveying and exchanging information is a key role of School Councils. We will go over WHY good communication is important, HOW to use different platforms to engage your audience and WHAT tools you can explore with your School Council. Join this workshop if you want to learn and share!
Presenter: Nazerah Shaikh



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School Improvement Plan

Mandated by the Ministry of Education, the School Improvement Plan (SIP) is an annual road map that identifies changes a school needs to make to improve their level of student achievement. SIPs should be developed with input from teachers, school council, families and community members. This workshop will focus on how a SIP is developed and how school council and families can work with their school to identify what, when and how changes will be made.

Presenter: Aretha Philips

School Messenger Tool

This session will introduce the new School Messenger Tool for school council members. We will also examine how this exciting tool will enable school council to communicate effectively with their parent community.

Presenter(s): Kevin Bradbeer

Student Nutrition Programs

Participate in an exciting, dynamic, interactive workshop focusing on Student Nutrition Programs in our schools. Learn about the benefits to students, gain knowledge on cost of healthy food and focus on parent engagement through volunteering.

Presenters: Angela Dozzi, Lynne Martens and Durward Anthony