



Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Community Members,

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! I hope that you and your family had a safe and enjoyable summer.

As your elected public school board trustee, I am your link and liaison to the Toronto District School Board. Together with my colleagues, I make decisions about the future of our school board, help families navigate the education system, and advocate for students, schools, and public education.

After more than two years of the pandemic, we are preparing to welcome students and staff into our schools to what we hope will be a much more normal school year. The last couple of years have presented many challenges. As we look towards September, we are focussed on ensuring our schools provide rich programming, opportunities, and supports so that all students are set up to succeed emotionally, physically, and academically. While most COVID-19 measures have been lifted by the Government of Ontario, the health and safety of our school communities remain a top priority. The TDSB will continue to monitor the pandemic and to follow the guidance and direction provided by the Ministry of Education as well as by our provincial and local public health officials as needed.

We know that school can be an exciting and overwhelming time – for both students and parents/guardians. To help you and your child have a great year, please visit www.tdsb.on.ca for information on the school year calendar, transportation, and getting involved, as well as links to resources for homework and so much more. The Toronto District School Board is also here to support you and your family's mental health and well-being needs. For a list of tools and resources, including those tailored for students and parents/guardians, please visit <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Mental-Health-Well-Being>.

As your trustee, I like to hold events where our community can share information and learn together. I already have two of these scheduled for early fall, and I hope you will consider joining me (virtually) at two upcoming events: first, my kick-off coffee morning of the 2022-2023 school year, currently scheduled for September 28; and second, my evening ward forum tentatively scheduled for October 3, where members of our Planning Department will give us a presentation about development, school space and planning in Ward 11 schools. To learn more about these regular coffee mornings and Ward 11 and board-wide events, news and programs, please subscribe to my e-newsletter through the link on my TDSB webpage at www.tdsb.on.ca/Ward11/. You can also follow me on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/rchernoslin>.

Additionally, for system-wide news about the Toronto District School Board, you can subscribe to "TDSB Update" at www.tdsb.on.ca/TDSBupdate and follow the TDSB on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. And always, if you have students in our schools, you will continue to receive important information and updates from your school and the system via email.

Finally, should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly by email at Rachel.ChernosLin@tdsb.on.ca.

Our schools are strongest when we all work together. I look forward to collaborating with all Ward 11 school communities and families this year, and wish everyone a wonderful start to school!

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rachel Chernos Lin'.

Rachel Chernos Lin
Ward 11



2022-2023 Information

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Find Your School & School Superintendent:

www.tdsb.on.ca/Find-your/School
Board Office at 416-397-3000 or GeneralInquiries@tdsb.on.ca

PA Days & Holidays	Date
Labour Day	September 5, 2022
Board-wide PA Day	September 6, 2022
Board-wide PA Day	October 7, 2022
Thanksgiving	October 10, 2022
Board-wide PA Day	November 18, 2022
Elementary PA Day	December 2, 2022
Winter Break	December 26, 2022 – January 6, 2023
Elementary PA Day	January 13, 2023
Secondary PA Day	February 2, 2023
Board-wide PA Day	February 17, 2023
Family Day	February 20, 2023
March Break	March 13 - 17, 2023
Good Friday	April 7, 2023
Easter Monday	April 10, 2023
Victoria Day	May 22, 2023
Elementary School PA Day	June 2, 2023
Secondary School PA Day	June 29, 2023
Secondary School PA Day	June 30, 2023

First day of classes for students is September 7, 2022
The last day of class for elementary students is June 30, 2023
The last day of class for secondary students is June 28, 2023

Days of Significance

www.tdsb.on.ca/daysofsignificance

For more information, please visit www.tdsb.on.ca/schoolyearcalendar

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Parent Concern Protocol

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Step One

Classroom Teacher

If you have any questions or concerns, the first person to go to is your classroom teacher. The classroom teacher can help with:

- Any questions about the classroom
- Classroom rules and consequences
- Homework and assignments

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Step Two

School Principal

If you would like more information or you have questions that are beyond the classroom, the school principal can help.

- Concerns about an individual school
- Student registration
- Student schedules
- Student suspensions
- Report card concerns
- Classroom concerns
- Code of Conduct
- Safety and security
- Budget and fundraising
- School Council

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Step Three

School Superintendents

Superintendents are responsible for a Network of Schools. They support school staff and can be contacted if you have questions that have not been answered or for help with:

- Alternate attendance request
- Suspension appeals

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Step Four

Trustees

Trustees are your elected community officials. They are available to help you with the following areas of the TDSB:

- Concerns about your community
- Ideas and suggestions for the Board
- Items on Board Agenda
- Board policies under review
- Board budget
- Collective bargaining

Board Office

You can contact the Board Office directly for any questions or concerns related to:

- Continuing Education
- Night and summer school
- Adult education
- ESL
- Board documents

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