



Dear Parent/Guardian,

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

As the elected public school board trustee for Ward 2 (Central Etobicoke), a large part of my role is to advocate for you and your child, and to represent the needs of all students and families in the Toronto District School Board.

After more than two years of the pandemic, we are preparing to welcome students and staff to a more normal school year in September. While most COVID-19 measures have been lifted by the Government of Ontario, the health and safety of our school communities remains our top priority. The TDSB will continue to monitor the pandemic and follow the guidance and direction from the Ministry of Education and Toronto 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 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>.

I want to thank parents on all sides of any particular issue for sharing their thoughts, concerns and opinions with me. Hearing and learning from families and community thoughts help me to gain greater perspective and understanding. I'm always looking to learn more about your priorities, issues and local school successes. If you have something to share with me, please do not hesitate to email me at dan.maclean@tdsb.on.ca or call and leave a message with trustee services at 416-395-8787. I will get back to you as quickly as possible.

The TDSB is the largest school board in the country, but it's the bonds and relationships that make our schools feel like family/community. I look forward to working in partnership with students, families and your local school community as I believe we all have an important role to play. Trustees and TDSB staff continue to work hard together to create the safest and best educational experience possible for students throughout the Toronto District School Board. Your involvement and interaction in your child's education success is important and plays a significant role along with the teachers and administrators who together work in partnership with you. There are many ways to be involved in your child's school, through your local school council or volunteering in the classroom.

Lastly, I want to thank you in advance for your understanding, patience and partnership as we work together to welcome both students and staff back to school.

For system-wide news about the Toronto District School Board, subscribe to TDSB Update at www.tdsb.on.ca/TDSBupdate and follow the TDSB on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. You will also continue to receive important information and updates from your school and the system via email.

Thank you,

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