

2016-2017 Annual Report

School council chairs were invited to attend four District Council / Parent Involvement Committee (DSC-PIC) meetings in the 2016-2017 school year:

- **November 3, 2016:** Director Hope thanked all those involved in the community consultation, Your Voice Matters, which resulted in the multi-year strategic plan, Embrace Learning. The Accommodation Reviews process was explained in relation to the recommendation to close Lady Eaton Elementary School and Honey Harbour Public School. The Elementary Arts Advisory Committee hired an arts consultant to invigorate the elementary arts curriculum. The possibility of online payment options for parents was introduced. Superintendents of Learning Barrett, Gillespie, and MacIver provided an overview of EQAO assessment results. District Manager Shedden provided an update on nutrition programs across the board. Updates regarding Parent Engagement and Parents Reaching Out funding was provided. Emphasis was placed on the board’s communication tools, including Peachjar and School Connects, encouraging parents to sign up to keep up-to-date on school, board, and community events.
- **December 1, 2016:** Director Hope provided details surrounding the December 9th Hold and Secure situation. Revisions to the Long Term Pupil Accommodation Plan were shared. Superintendents of Learning Barrett and Gillespie shared secondary and elementary math updates. Presentations included Arts Consultant Sornberger’s “Arts in TLDSB” and an overview of Overdrive, the board’s new digital library service available to students, parents, and staff. Chairs were encouraged to apply to the Ministry of Education for Parents Reaching Out funding. Arrangements were underway for an April 12th livestream event featuring Dr. Greg Wells who would speak to students and families about well-being.
- **March 2, 2017:** Director Hope provided a follow-up on the online payment options as investigations into the process continued. School boundaries were discussed in response to questions raised during the accommodation review process. Parents were invited to take part in a Ministry-wide Well-Being Initiative survey. Superintendent of Learning Golden detailed the advantages of the new Overdrive digital library. Notes were shared from attendees at the recent People for Education Conference. District Manager Shedden pointed out the various parent resources available online through the TLDSB website and social media.
- **May 4, 2017:** Director Hope shared the results of the two accommodation reviews that had taken place during the year. Presentations included a Pediculosis (Head Live) Update by Superintendent of Learning MacIver and a PIC Symposium report. District Manager Shedden reminded chairs of upcoming Parents Reaching Out report deadlines. Feed All Four awareness outside of the school was discussed along with plans to remedy this with resources for parents.

School	Project/Event
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Alexandra Public School	Parenting Lending Library books; Welcome to Night; babysitting during Parent Council meetings
Archie Stouffer Elementary School	Festive Feast
Bobcaygeon Public School	Canada 150 Celebration
Bracebridge Public School	Christmas Evening refreshments
Cardiff Elementary School	Family Fun Activity Day/Evening
Central Senior School	Meet the Teacher Night; Boys Night Event
Dr. George Hall Public School	Breakfast with Santa
Dunsford Dist. Elementary School	
Fenelon Township Public School	School Talent Show; parent promotional materials
Glen Orchard Public School	Mental Wellness
Grandview Public School	Arts Night
Gravenhurst Public School	Scientists in School; Anti-Bullying Magic Show
Honey Harbour Public School	Year End Trip
Huntsville Public School	
Irwin Memorial Public School	Family Night - Math at Work
JD Hodgson Elementary School	Meet & Greet Open House BBQ; School Council meeting refreshments
Jack Callaghan Public School	Parent BBQ; Family Skate Night
KP Manson Public School	Fun Night Math Centre supplies
King Albert Public School	Support for volunteers
Lady Eaton Elementary School	Fun Fair bouncy castles
Lady MacKenzie Public School	Family Math Games Night
Langton Public School	Welcome to Kindergarten packages
Leslie Frost Public School	Spring Fling
Macaulay Public School	Art Club; tennis balls; National Family Literacy Day; End of Year Family Celebration
Mariposa Elementary School	James Barker Outdoor Concert
Monck Public School	Jump 2 Math Night
Muskoka Beechgrove Public School	Babysitters during Parent Council meetings; gift cards for EQAO volunteers; cookies for Grand Friends Day
Muskoka Falls Public School	Educational Meet & Greet
Parkview Public School	Arts Night gift cards from local Lindsay Downtown business
Pine Glen Public School	Family Swim Night; Year End BBQ
Queen Victoria Public School	Fun Fair supplies; Family Photos and Meet the Teacher Night
Ridgewood Public School	Fun Night and Dinner
Riverside Public School	Arts & Wellness Night
Rolling Hills Public School	
Scott Young Public School	Handbooks; student-created colouring books; gr4 Orientation Evening
Spruce Glen Public School	Year End BBQ inflatables
Stuart Baker Elementary School	Open House; Council Meeting support; Fun Fair pizza dinner
VK Greer Memorial Public School	Graduation treats; Parents Spring Gala prizes; Meet the Staff refreshments
	Communication envelopes

Watt Public School	
Wilberforce Elementary School	Family Fun Activity Day/Evening
Woodville Elementary School	Appreciation Dinner; Vendor Sale expense
BMLSS	Dr. Greg Wells presentation technical support
Fenelon Falls Secondary School	Parent Teacher Night food prep by Hospitality & Tourism Class; Yearbook Committee support
Gravenhurst High School	Colour printer toner for flyers and posters
Haliburton Highlands SS	Digital screen and flash drives
Huntsville High School	Stamps for Grade 9 Welcome Package
IE Weldon Secondary School	Honours Assembly
LCVI	After 8 Transition Guides

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