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### ***PCEO UPDATES***

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#### **2017/18 PRO Grant Reporting:**

Schools that received PRO Grant funding for the 2017-2018 school year must ensure that the following steps are completed:

- Spend all PROG funds by June 30, 2018
- Charge all PROG funds against CC# XXXX0565 and GL#41500, under the Plan column
- Complete and return the Declaration Form (the contract between the school council and the Ministry of Education) to the Ministry of Education
- File all receipts at the school according to the Board policy (as government funded initiatives are subject to audit, these records must be retained for seven (7) years)
- Complete the final report on-line at <http://education.factorial.ca> by **August 31, 2018**.
- Submit a copy of that final report by email to the Director's Office (via the Parent and Community Engagement Office at [outreach@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:outreach@tdsb.on.ca))

#### **PROG 2018-2019**

- Applications deadline for 2018-19 PRO Grants is **June 5, 2018** at 11:59 PM EST.
- Please visit Parents Reaching Out Grants at: <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/reaching.HTML>



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### **Professional Development**

- The PCEO continues to provide PD for teachers in varying settings (e.g. staff meetings, Pd day, PCEO led training etc.) and will be delivering a PCEO led session on Wednesday May 30<sup>th</sup> for elementary teachers.

### **Occasional Child Care Attendants**

Occasional child care is a service provided by TDSB schools to facilitate parent engagement and attendance at meetings. It is an informal, unlicensed arrangement for the care and supervision, on a non-recurring basis of children whose parents/guardians or families are receiving and/or participating in TDSB Board/school activities.

### Childcare Attendants

- Childcare Attendants are Casual-School Support staff who offer occasional child care services **on school sites** while parents/guardians and families are attending school related events and activities (e.g. parent-teacher interviews, School Councils etc.).
- Schools/councils are required to use Child Care Attendants for parent/family events
- PCEO is presently working with Employee services to explore, training for attendants and automated access.

### ***PIAC FOLLOW UP ITEMS***

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### **Permit Fee Waiver for School Council Events Update**

- At the Boards Program and School Service Committee (PSSC) held on May 02, 2018, it was recommended that staff further explore the nature of school councils in relations to the policy.

### ***School Council & CAC E-mail to Gmail Process Update***

- School councils with TDSB e-mail challenges may contact [John.manalo@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:John.manalo@tdsb.on.ca)
- Gmail will be rolled for the beginning of the next school year 2018-2019 (Sept/Oct)
- Council accounts will continue as a shared mailbox



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### **PIAC 2018/2019 Meeting Dates**

- Dates have been proposed to be the third Tuesdays of each month pending significant holidays.

### **TDSB Fundraising Policy**

- The fundraising policy is presently at stage 2 in the Board's policy review process. It was scheduled for the April 2018, Governance and Policy Committee meeting however, it may be delivered in fall of 2018.
- PIAC will be kept updated on the process and will be consulted.

### ***INFORMATION SHARING***

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#### **Education Debates**

- The Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) has declared May 23 as Education Day. In support, Trustees from the Toronto District School Board are organizing All Candidates Meetings in our ridings. Visit <http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Leadership/Trustees> for further information.
- To learn more, read the TDSB document Investments in Student Education and visit OPSBA's website for Resources for the 2018 Ontario Provincial Election.

#### **School Council Funds & Grants**

- School Councils are *allocated funds by the Board to support their work*. The Board has allocated \$1.25/student with a *minimum of \$300.00 and a maximum of \$1,000* to all councils. The funds can be accessed by contacting the Principal



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- The **Ministry allocate \$500.00 each** year support activities that are geared to reaching parents who are not accessing council/school activities. These funds will be arriving in the school by December and can be accessed by contacting the Principal
- *TDSB Business Services has researched a number of **grants that councils** may explore. To access this list of grants school council chairs must request that the school activate the school council TDSB e-mail account. Once the account is activated councils may visit: <https://oursite.tdsb.on.ca/org/DOM/pages/Contests,%20Grants,%20Scholarships.aspx> for a list of grants.*
- **Continuing Education provides financial & in-kind support** to schools hosting educational workshops/information sessions for parents of students in Grades 1 to 12. Funding in the amount of \$3.00 per parent participant (based on parent sign-in sheet. Schools/councils may also access door prices/TDSB promotional items. For further information contact:

Secondary Schools: [winsome.brockett@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:winsome.brockett@tdsb.on.ca)

**NOTE: IPRC meetings, Parent-Teacher Interviews, and curriculum nights are not eligible for this funding.**