

PPF-Parent Reaching Out Grant (PROG) 2020-2021

PROPOSED ALLOCATION

Allocation Options	Description
Parents as Partners (PasP) Conference 2020	A two-day virtual conference for parents/caregivers across the TDSB. PasP features a series of keynote speakers and over 30+- workshops on an array of topics.
Enhancing School Council & Parent/Caregiver Engagement (ZOOM Webinar purchase)	Support the sessions on the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting and enhancing school capacity (secondary webinars) to engage family caregivers in a virtual settings also a larger webinar platform that exceed 3000 (5000+). The virtual platform will further enhance engagement across the TDSB. Opportunity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continues the legacy of supporting school council and building parent efficacy at the local level while furthering the work of the Multi-Year Strategic Plan. Challenges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ZOOM platform has been identified by council and family caregivers as the most user friendly, accessible and accommodating for council meetings. • We have secured an enterprise license but will need to enhance our access.
Conversation Series2020-2021-Going Deeper	Support the enhancement of the Conversation Series, to provide more in depth sessions and speakers on more arrayed topics in collaboration with PIAC, SEAC, CACs, Mental Health and Well-Being Parent Committee and School Councils. Opportunity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To reach, inform, encourage and motivate a large number of family caregivers from across the system Challenges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting an event that may be perceived as a Board initiative.

Supporting Multi-lingual Students and Families (Interpretation, Translation, Closed Captioning & Sign Language)	<p>Virtual learning has demonstrated the need for the Board to provide enhanced multi-lingual supports to our students and families. Teachers, Social Worker, Child and Youth Workers and all staff have needed interpretation services to communicate and engage our multi-lingual families.</p>
	<p>Opportunity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To keep family caregivers, staff and student connecting and communicating during school closure • Provide Board the opportunity to communicate with all families particularly our multi-lingual, deaf and hard of hearing family caregivers
	<p>Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting the financial demands of the service.