

SEPTEMBER 2025

# WELCOME BACK!

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## Welcome to the Start of the 2025 New School Year

As we are about to begin the new school year, I want to take a moment to say welcome back! I hope you all enjoyed a restful summer and are ready for an exciting year ahead. I look forward to our classrooms and hallways to once again be filled with the excitement of students reconnecting and ready to learn, and grow.

As your school board trustee, it's inspiring to see the enthusiasm that comes with each new school year. The dedicated teachers and staff of the PDSB have been preparing to ensure not only a smooth start but a successful year. I am confident this year will bring meaningful learning, new opportunities, and many memorable moments for every student.

As we prepare to settle into the school routines, I encourage parents to check the STOPR website for transportation alerts and updates. Staying informed will help ensure a smooth start to the school year. Also, if you need to reach me, the best way is through email, I am always here to listen, support, and work alongside you to create the best possible experience for our students. Wishing everyone a wonderful school year!

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### LABOUR DAY: K-12

- September 1ST

#### FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

- September 2nd

#### RE-ORGANIZATION DAY: K-8 STUDENTS - NO SCHOOL

- September 19th

#### PDSB BOARD MEETING

- September 24th @  
7pm



## Welcome to Our Student Trustees!

We are excited to welcome our newly elected Peel District School Board student trustees, Amenah Gangat (Lincoln M. Alexander S.S.) who will represent schools north of Highway 401, Julia Zhu (Clarkson S.S.) will represent schools south of Highway 401, and Indica Simms Johnny will serve as the Indigenous Student Trustee. As the voices of students across the board, our student trustees play a vital role in shaping inclusive, engaging, and empowering educational experiences. Their leadership, and insight, ensures that student perspectives are heard and valued in the decision-making at each level. We look forward to their contributions throughout the year!

## Regional Learning Choices Programs Information Sessions

Regional Learning Choices Programs (RLCP) is offered by the Peel District School Board which give students the opportunity to explore and develop their skills in specialized areas of interest. These programs are open to all students who meet the established eligibility criteria. Parents and guardians are encouraged to attend the upcoming information night to learn more about the programs and the application process.

In keeping with the Board's commitment to equity and inclusion, admission to regional programs will prioritize addressing historical enrollment disparities. African, Black, Afro-Caribbean, First Nations, Inuit, and Métis students who self-identify and meet the admission requirements will be accepted without a random selection process, helping to ensure equitable representation.

## PDSB August 27, 2023 Board Meeting

The Trustees came back from the summer break ready to get back to work on key board matters.

The discussion centred around a few important updates. One of which included passed a motion that focused on student and staff well-being during extreme hot weather days. The motion states that the board work with Peel Public Health to create a clear plan for managing extreme heat days, ensuring schools know when and how to take action to keep students and staff safe.

Parents can expect to hear more in the coming months as the plan for extreme heat days is developed and shared.



## 2025-26 RLCP SECONDARY APPLICATION DATES

Visit [www.rlcp.ca](http://www.rlcp.ca) to learn more information about the Regional Learning Choices Programs