

# School Council Training Workshops Agenda

6:00 – 6:40

Dinner

6:40 – 7:00

Welcome and Introductions – Margaret Roberts & Rashmi Swarup

7:05 – 7:35

Workshop Sessions A

7:45 – 8:15

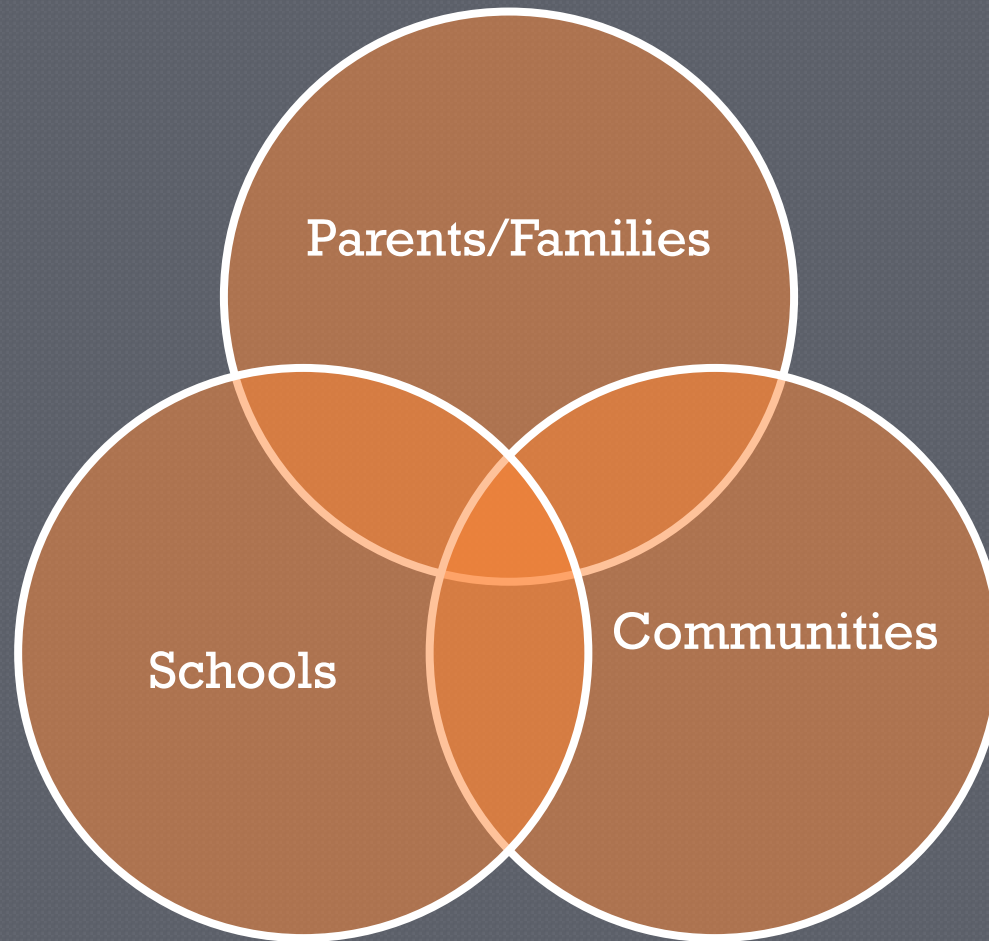
Workshop Sessions B (Repeated)

8:15 – 8:45

Open Space Discussion

# Welcome and Introductions

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# School Councils - Purpose

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“School Councils are not an end  
– but are the means to the greater ends.”

- Board Improvement Plan
- Support student learning, achievement and success
- Support and enhance parent, family and community engagement
- Represent the interests of all parents (and students)

# School Councils – Role

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## ○ Advisory

- to principal (school policies and procedures eg. Dress code, homework policy, behaviour code)
- to Board (eg provide input on policies/procedures being revised)

## ○ School Improvement Plan is often used as the foundation for council work

## ○ Strategies for parents, families and school communities to support student achievement

# Resources for School Councils

Board Website <http://www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca/>

York Region District School Board - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by YRDSB

http://www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca/

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The image is a screenshot of a web browser displaying the York Region District School Board website. The browser's address bar shows the URL 'http://www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca/'. The website header features the board's name in English and Arabic, along with a 'Contact' link. A central graphic includes a starburst labeled 'Continuing Education' and an illustration of children for 'Kindergarten Registration'. On the left, a vertical menu lists various services, with 'School Council' circled in red and an arrow pointing to it. Below this menu is an 'accessibility' link. On the right, the board's logo and 'the Quest' logo are visible. The browser's interface, including the menu bar and toolbar, is also shown.

# Resources for School Councils

We invite and value the spirit of community  
creativity, and personal growth


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School Councils



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## Information & Documents

- [PRO Grant Information](#) 
- [School Council E-mail](#)
  - How can school administrators stimulate parent involvement to support student success?

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Councils

School Council Forums

Bridges

School Council Email

Discussion Board

Council Home

# Resources for School Councils

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- Forms
  - Resources

- Policies and Procedures
- From Ministry of Education

- School Councils Yearly Summaries

2010



*Parents in Partnership .....*

**A PARENT  
ENGAGEMENT  
POLICY  
FOR ONTARIO  
SCHOOLS**



# Ontario Parent Engagement Policy

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- Parent Engagement and Partnership
- Fulfilling the Vision of Parent Engagement
- Parent Engagement Action Plan
- <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/involvement/index.html>

# Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee

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- Purpose:

To support, encourage and enhance parent engagement at the Board level in order to improve student achievement and well being

- 7 meetings this year
- 12 parent members from across board
- Community, SEAC and Race Relations representatives
- 3 or more Trustees, Director, 1 Superintendent, 3 Principals, Chair and Vice-chair (ex-officio)

# Workshops

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- **Managing School Council Funds - Room 123**
- **Effective School Council Meetings - Room 139**
- **School Council 101 - Room 141**
- **School Councils and School Improvement Plans – Room 201**
- **Keeping Our Kids Safe at School – Room 204**
- **Involvement and Engagement Lead to Greater Success – Room 205**
- **Communication through e-newsletters – Room 202**
- **Engaging Parents and Community Members – Room 203**

# Comments, Questions?

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Link to a brief evaluation form will be emailed to you

We appreciate your feedback