2024 Caring & Safe Schools Community Agencies/Organizations Programs & Partnerships Report

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The Work

To address increasing levels of community violence which was finding its way into schools the Ministry of Education provided funding to strengthen Toronto District School Board's partnerships with community organizations to provide programming outside of regular school hours.

Providing access to identity affirming mental health and well-being supports

Research and data driven practice focused on student and community voice

Culturally relevant and responsive teaching and mentorship practices

Toronto
District
School
Board

Focus on collaborative practice among partners

Meaningful engagement between schools and community organizations

Welcoming, caring & inclusive programs



Summer Programming 2023

Over 2,000 TDSB students (Grades SK to 12) participated.

Student participation numbers by division:

- SK to Grade 3 (25%)
- Grades 4 to 8 (52%)
- Grades 9 to 12 (23%)

Student participation numbers by Learning Centre:

- Learning Centre 1 (23%)
- Learning Centre 2 (29%)
- Learning Centre 3 (28%)
- Learning Centre 4 (20%)



Fall/Winter & March Break Programming 2023/24

Over 2,600 TDSB students (Grades SK to 12) participated.

Student participation numbers by division:

- SK to Grade 3 (23%)
- Grades 4 to 8 (55%)
- Grades 9 to 12 (22%)

Student participation numbers by Learning Centre:

- Learning Centre 1 (26%)
- Learning Centre 2 (25%)
- Learning Centre 3 (29%)
- Learning Centre 4 (20%)



Program Outputs

4600+

Students Registered in the Summer, Fall/Winter and March Break Programs

This initiative prioritized enhancing TDSB's commitment to the core values of joy, engagement and belonging for each and every student. The first wave of programs were initiated in communities which have traditionally lacked these types of opportunities for students and families.

99%

of student, caregivers, parents and guardians connected to the programs reported satisfaction with the adults supporting their children in Summer, Fall/Winter & March Break programming.

98%

of students showed an improvement in their engagement, confidence and/or attitude as a result of Summer, Fall/Winter and March Break programming



From 2023 TDSB Student Census Data:

Students report enjoying School

74% of Grades 4-6 59% of Grades 7-8 35% of Grades 9-12



Of students report enjoying the Summer, Fall/Winter & March Break programming

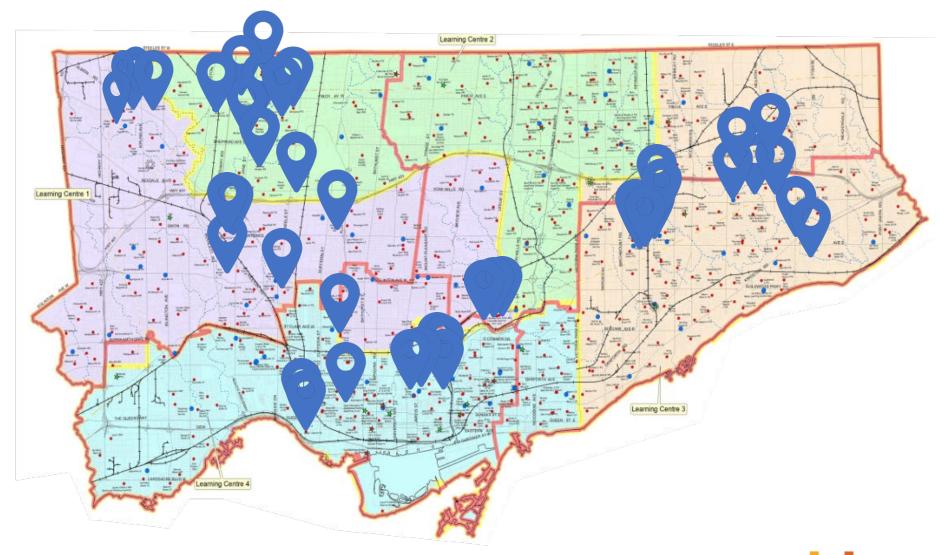


List of Agencies and Locations

15 Agencies/ Community Organizations across 46 Locations

15 Agency Name	46 Location(s)
Taking Kids Out of Poverty	1) Rose Ave JPS, Church St. JPS & Jarvis C.I.
2) Ripple Effect Circle	2) Ryerson CS & Scadding Court CC
3) The Leacock Foundation	 Brookview Middle School, Henry Hudson Jr. P.S., St. James Town Community Corner, Woburn Jr. P.S. & Valley Park M.S.
 Youth Association for Academics, Athletics and Character Education 	4) Monsignor Fraser College (45 Norfinch) & C.W. Jeffreys C.I.
	5) Elmbank JMA, West Humber C.I. & North Kipling JMS
5) Motion Ball Sports	6) Jame Abu Bakr
6) Scarborough Muslim Association	7) David & Mary Thomson
7) Toronto Business Development Centre	8) Yorkwoods P.S., West Hill C.I., Beaumonde Heights, Marc Garneau Cl,
8) Lay-Up	Sprucecourt, DerryDown, William G Miller, SKY HIGH @ Highcastle, York Humber, North Albion CI, St. Jane Francis, Lawrence Heights &
9) Go Green Youth Centre	Burrows Hall
10) Anjuman-E-Islahul-Muslemin	9) Valley Park M.S.
, •	10) Masjid El Noor
11) Sports 4 All	11) Donwood Park, Edgewood Public School, Highbrook Learning Center,
12) Toronto Youth Innovation	David and Mary Thomson & Marc Garneau C.I.
13) Karma Sonam Dargye Ling	12) Toronto Youth Innovation- Community Hub, Weston C.I.
,	13) Parkdale C.I. & Dr. Rita Cox
14) One Voice One Team	14) Oakwood C.I., Beverly Heights P.S.
15) Fifty For Free	15) Downsview S.S., Emery C.I.

Community Agencies/ Organizations and Faith Groups by Map of Learning Centres and Quadrants





This initiative has resulted in:

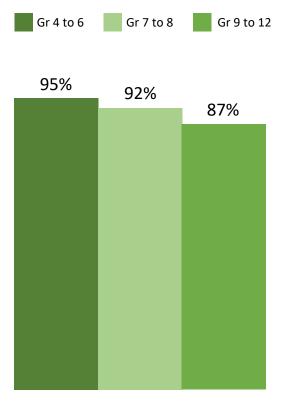
1051 Total Sessions of programming

4780 Total Hours
of programming



Level of Perceived Safety at School

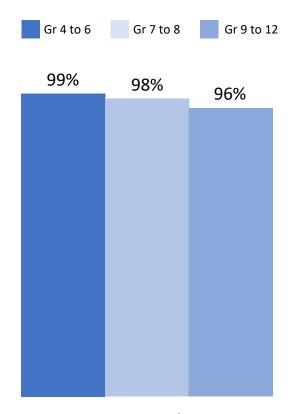
Source: 2023 TDSB Student Census



%All the time/Often

Level of Perceived Safety in Community Programs

Source: Community Agency Final Reports



%All the time/Often



Next Steps

- The Ministry of Education funding for these programs expired at the end of March 2024. Continuation of this essential programming which has serviced thousands of TDSB students and families will not be possible without a renewal of the financial commitment from the Ministry of Education.
- The Board currently has no other funding source to support this initiative.
 Staff is currently exploring for opportunities for additional investments through corporate and other partners such as the one with Agnico Eagle Mines which has contributed \$350 000 towards these programs.



