



Revised PR696 Kindergarten Registration Procedure

To: Governance and Policy Committee

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Strategic Directions

- Transform Student Learning
- Create a Culture for Student and Staff Well-Being
- Provide Equity of Access to Learning Opportunities for All Students
- Build Strong Relationships and Partnerships Within School Communities to Support Student Learning and Well-Being

Recommendation

It is recommended that the revised Kindergarten Registration Procedure (PR696), as presented in this report, be received.

Context

The Toronto District School Board acknowledges that the early years of a child's life have a profound and enduring impact on their future learning and development and is committed to the success of children through strengthening early education and care. Engaging families in schools, from their child's birth and before Full-Day Kindergarten, establishes their sense of trust, social connectedness and investment in schools and local community.

Kindergarten Registration recognizes the importance of early learning and family and community partnerships. As children transition to school it is understood that schools must be ready for children, rather than children being ready for school. In consideration of the various transitions children experience in the early years, educators must put children's needs first and be thoughtful in planning and implementing more seamless transitions.

The Kindergarten Procedure initially developed in 2006, has been revised and approved by Executive Council on January 28, 2020. The revised Procedure is aligned with and

supports the implementation of The Early Learning and Care Policy (P022) which was recently revised on February 7, 2018. The Policy and Procedure are consistent with The Kindergarten Program, 2016. The Kindergarten Registration Procedure is provided to the Committee for information. Additional resources are available for the schools [Principal Planning Guide 2020](#) and families [Kindergarten Information Booklet: Come Learn With Us!](#)

Action Plan and Associated Timeline

Subject to the Procedures being received at the Governance and Policy Committee, the revised Procedure will be provided to the Board of Trustees on March 11, 2020 for information.

Resource Implications

No additional resources will be required for implementation of the revised Policy at this time.

Communications Considerations

The Kindergarten Registration Procedure (PR 696) will be communicated through the System Leaders' Bulletin, TDSB Connects and will be posted on the Board's internal and external website.

Board Policy and Procedure Reference(s)

- Early Learning and Care Policy (P022),
- Optional Attendance Policy (P013),
- Student Attendance and Safe Arrival Policy (P085),
- Students without Legal Immigration Status Policy (P061).

Appendices

- Appendix A: Kindergarten Registration Procedure (PR696)-revised clean
- Appendix B: Kindergarten Registration Procedure (PR696)-tracked changes

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