

PARENT REACHING OUT (PRO) REGIONAL GRANT 2019-2020

Guidelines	
Timeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Project must be completed by June 5, 2020
Reimbursement Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Completed PRO Grant Reporting Template with: Completed Cheque Requisition(s) with attached original receipts/invoices ○ Please submit reimbursement package via courier, no later than <u>June 15, 2020</u>, to: CEC, Parent Engagement: Manuela Sequeira
Themes	<p>The project must demonstrate a commitment to respecting the role of parents in students' educational experiences by working with parents or seeking parent input on how schools can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide a safe and welcoming school environment; ○ Maintain open communication with teachers; ○ Respect parents as valued partners within the education system in relation to decisions about their child's education; and ○ Ensure parents are informed about the content of the Ontario Curriculum Guidelines
Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Parents have increased awareness of school activities and initiatives ○ Parents are more involved in their local school environment and child's education ○ Parents feel like valued partners in the education system ○ Parents have increased confidence in public education
Exit Survey	<p>Each project must include an exit survey that must be completed by participating parents, that will measure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Number and/or percentage of parents who have increased awareness of school activities; ○ Number and/or percentage of parents who felt more comfortable in the school environment; and ○ Number and/or percentage of parents who learned new skills that will be beneficial for their child's achievement as a result of the project/event.
Funding Restrictions	<p>The following list does not qualify for PRO Grant funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Activities that have already taken place ○ Payment to school board staff or volunteers, including salaries, honoraria, gifts ○ Purchase of goods and services for which the ministry currently provides funding (e.g., textbooks, library books, school furniture, computers, cameras, projectors, student transportation) ○ Activities, resources, or speakers for students ○ Capital items such as televisions, sports equipment, shelving ○ Portable/handheld devices such as tablets or laptops, unless devices are to be used as part of a parent lending library and the cost does not exceed 50% of the approved funding ○ Computer software or applications, online subscriptions, voice messaging systems, website maintenance ○ Entertainment activities such as barbecues, fun fairs, volunteer teas, dinners, ○ Movies nights, dances, concerts, and performances ○ Field trips ○ School signs, announcement boards/screens ○ Landscaping or creation/equipping of outdoor classrooms ○ Prizes or incentives to parents and/or students ○ Lessons for parents (e.g., French, English as a Second Language, computer, CPR) ○ Fundraising events