



## Parents Advocating for Safe, Well-Maintained Schools in the Toronto District School Board (TDSB)

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### Vision:

- Every TDSB student attends school in a **safe, well-maintained building**
- Public schools considered an **integral part of our public infrastructure** – on par with roads, transit, water, and healthcare

### Short-Term Goals:

- Raise awareness of the \$3.3-billion repair backlog plaguing TDSB schools
- Grow the Fix Our Schools network to 1000 subscribers before Summer 2015

### How Can You Help?

- Sign up at [www.fixourschools.ca](http://www.fixourschools.ca) to receive informative updates about the campaign and how you can help
- “Like” Fix Our Schools on Facebook; share posts with your Facebook network
- Tweet a photo/description of disrepair at a TDSB school using #fixourschools or email to [info@fixourschools.ca](mailto:info@fixourschools.ca)

### Key Messages to Date:

#### Province:

- As the sole funder of public schools, will you take the accountability that comes with your power?
- Will you release emergency funding for leaking roofs and urgent repairs?
- Will you engage in real, ongoing dialogue with the TDSB (and City) to find funding solutions to fix our schools?
- Will you revisit the regulation guiding Education Development Charges, given the TCDSB receives these monies and the TDSB does not, leaving millions “on the table” for the TDSB?
- Will you reconcile the complexity of utilization rates with your mandate of schools as community hubs?
- Even if TDSB immediately sells off all 130 schools operating below 65%, there would still be over \$1-billion repairs in remaining 458 schools so other funding sources must be found
- The provincially-led TDSB Governance Panel distracts from the more urgent issue of working with the TDSB and City to find funding solutions
- A massive reorganization of the TDSB at this time such as splitting up the TDSB will continue to distract from fixing our children’s schools

#### TDSB:

- Will you work to find efficiencies internally and make tough decisions that are for the greater good?
- Will you work co-operatively with the Province and the City to fix our schools?

#### City:

- Will you get more involved in public schools and help find funding solutions to address the \$3.3-billion repair backlog?