**Date:**

**Dear Parent/Guardian,**

**RE: Developmental History Form**

The Toronto District School (“**TDSB**”) Developmental History Form (the “Developmental History Form”) is completed for every student who enters school for the first time in the TDSB from Kindergarten to Grade 2. This is a key part of the TDSB’s registration process. The information will be stored in your child’s Ontario School Record (OSR) and accessed by their teacher(s) and principal/vice-principal. The Developmental History Form is one way that that the TDSB gathers information from families to better serve their child/student. It is also understood that continuous conversations will occur throughout the school year between families, educators and the school at large.

In the Early Years, we believe that families are the first and most powerful influence on children’s learning, development, health, and well-being. We also believe that families are experts on their children and in their needs and capacity to support their children, which is why we invite you to share important information about your child’s strengths, interests, needs and how we can best support them as they transition to school. TDSB educators and staff will use this information to design responsive teaching and learning experiences that honour your child’s strengths and interests, and to support their learning at school.

Please let your school principal know if you would like to connect with a member of the school staff who can work with you to complete the Developmental History Form. Your child’s teacher will arrange a time to meet with you to gain a deeper understanding of the information that you have shared. We recognize the importance of families being active partners throughout the student’s learning process. We strive to develop strong collaborative partnerships with you. We will appreciate any information you can share to help guide the direction of how educators can best serve your child.

Parents/guardians may choose *not* to complete the Developmental History Form or may choose specific questions to respond to. Should you have any questions around the completion of the Developmental History Form, we invite you to contact your school principal.

Thank you for your partnership, and we look forward to working together to create a positive school experience for your child.

Principal,

Signature

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* I/we decline to complete the Developmental History Form
* I/we have completed the Developmental History Form

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

**DEVELOPMENTAL HISTORY FORM**

Student’s Full Name:

(first) (middle) (last)

Date of Birth:

(month**/**day**/**year)

Language(s) Spoken at Home:

1. What are your child’s strengths?
2. Are there particular areas that you would like us to pay special attention to? If so, please share details below.
3. What are the most important things you would like us to know about your child?
4. What are the most important things your child would like us to know about them?
5. What is your child most looking forward to when thinking about coming to school?
6. What interests does your child have? What brings them joy?
7. Does your child have any worries that you would like to share with us?
8. What helps calm your child when they feel upset?
9. Have there been any significant changes in your child’s life that you would like us to know? If so, please describe below:
10. Is there anything else that you would like to share with us?

Form Completed by: Relationship to Student:

(Please print name)

**Declaration:**

€ To the best of my knowledge and belief, I declare that all information and particulars given in this form are true and accurate.

Signature: Date:

(Parent/Guardian) (month/day/year)

Personal information on this form is collected under the authority of sections 58.5(1), 169.1-173 of the *Education Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.2 (the "*Education Act*"), Ontario Regulation 221/11 (Extended Day and Third Party Programs) and Regulation 298: Operation of Schools – General under the *Education Act* and will be used by Toronto District School Board (“TDSB”) for school registrations and administrative purposes, to establish and maintain Ontario student records and to support the implementation of and provide before and after school programs, TDSB EarlyON child and family programs and kindergarten. The information is retained in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M. 56 and will only be disclosed to authorized TDSB and school staff in order to administer the above purposes. Questions regarding this collection should be directed to your local principal.

***Thank you for taking the time to complete the Developmental History Form. For more information on TDSB Early Years, please visit*** [***https://www.tdsb.on.ca/EarlyYears***](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/EarlyYears)***.***