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Autism Ontario North Bay and Area Chapter	Successful Strategies for Autism Spectrum Disorders and Student Success	Through enhanced chapter libraries, video-conferences and face-to-face workshops, parents and professionals will gain a better working knowledge of ASD, the components of Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA) and transitions; how these can be included in the Individual Educational Plan (IEP) with the goal of positively influencing student learning across environments. The information will be offered to English and French speaking parents in the North who face barriers due to geography and language.	\$13,800
Bluewater District School Board	Bluewater Parent Involvement Committee Promotional Materials	Development of promotional material to be distributed to all families within the board which informs them about the Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) and provides tips for parent engagement in schools and about the PIC in support of student achievement.	\$2,000
Brampton Northwest Connects	Reaching Out Through Parent Education	Supported by a steering group consisting of area school principals, school council members and community development leaders, the Family Education Center of Brampton Northwest Connects will offer community-based parent-to-parent education and training in three formats: a parent education course, workshops and a speaker series in Northwest Brampton, based on needs expressed by the local school district and the community.	\$10,000
Comité de participation de parents du CSDCCS	L'engagement des parents fait une différence	Cette conférence, dont le thème est la différence que peut faire l'engagement des parents, vise à encourager les parents des élèves du Conseil scolaire du district catholique Centre-Sud à devenir des partenaires essentiels dans la vie scolaire et communautaire de leurs enfants. Les parents seront sensibilisés face à leur rôle important à l'aide de témoignages et de présentations d'experts.	\$10,200
Conseil des écoles catholiques du Centre-Est	Démystifions les nouvelles approches d'enseignement en grammaire et en mathématiques	Ce projet consiste à élaborer et à présenter deux séries d'ateliers à l'intention des parents sur les nouvelles méthodes d'enseignement de la grammaire et des mathématiques, dans le but de démystifier le nouveau curriculum et de proposer de nouvelles stratégies d'aide aux devoirs ainsi que des ressources en format imprimé et électronique. Les ateliers seront diffusés sur le Web.	\$7,000
Conseil des écoles publiques de l'Est de l'Ontario	Accueillir c'est s'ouvrir	Conformément aux nouvelles politiques du CEPEO en matière d'équité et d'éducation inclusive ainsi qu'à propos de l'admission, l'accueil et l'accompagnement, le CPP invitera les présidents et présidentes des conseils d'école à une série d'ateliers offerte au cours de l'année scolaire dans les six secteurs du territoire couvert par le conseil scolaire.	\$15,000

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Conseil scolaire catholique Franco-Nord	Journée pour la participation des parents	Les parents auront l'occasion de participer à des activités d'apprentissage animées par la FESFO et visant à expliquer le rôle important que jouent les parents dans l'éducation, pour optimiser la réussite scolaire et pour rendre les écoles plus accueillantes et inclusives. Cette activité est organisée en collaboration avec le CPP du conseil scolaire.	\$15,000
Conseil scolaire de district des écoles catholiques du Sud-Ouest (CSDÉCSO)	Ensemble, on assure la réussite!	Dans le but d'améliorer l'efficacité des conseils scolaires, d'accroître l'engagement et la confiance des parents et de former des réseaux, le CSDÉCSO, en collaboration avec le CPP, sondera les 29 conseils scolaires et tiendra sept forums régionaux de formation axés sur leurs besoins. Le CPP dressera une liste de ressources recommandées pour les parents, dont les conseils scolaires pourront se servir pour établir des bibliothèques locales de prêt.	\$10,000
Conseil scolaire Viamonde (pour le CPP)	Pour une communication efficace et améliorée	En collaboration avec le personnel du conseil scolaire Viamonde, le CPP élaborera un plan d'action visant à améliorer les communications avec les parents et à faciliter leur accès aux ressources. Ce projet s'adresse à tous les parents des élèves du conseil scolaire Viamonde et a pour but d'améliorer les communications entre le CPP, le conseil scolaire et les conseils d'école.	\$9,000
Coopérative Enseignants Pas A Pas Incorporée (CEPAP)	Projet: Main dans la main	La Coopérative Enseignants Pas A Pas Incorporée (CEPAP), un groupe bénévole d'enseignants ethnoculturels francophones, offre des services de mentorat aux familles, des ateliers aux parents et du soutien scolaire aux élèves à risque. Le groupe offre aussi un soutien continu aux parents nouveaux arrivants pour faciliter leur intégration au système scolaire.	\$3,400
District School Board of Niagara	Parent Engagement in Summer Literacy Learning Program	Summer HEAT is a Summer Literacy Learning opportunity for at-risk students from JK to Grade 3 in priority schools in Niagara. The project targets ELL parents by translating promotional materials, supporting the Parenting and Family Literacy Centres; it provides workshops on literacy and numeracy as well as equips parents with a home reading program in 10 school sites and involves students from over 20 different schools.	\$15,000
Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board, CCCSC	Parent Engagement: Involving Parents in Our Children's Education for The 21st Century	This project consists of engaging parents throughout the school year in order to build supportive relationships among school communities, members of school councils and the central parent committee (PIC). Three distinct opportunities for parents to learn about the relevance of parent engagement will be offered: an in-service for school councils; a keynote speaker and community dialogue; and an event with workshops and marketplace to address educational topics.	\$8,000

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Durham Catholic Parent Involvement Committee	Durham Parent Conference - Promoting Equity and Inclusion in Education	A conference for all parents in the Durham Catholic Board. Parent representatives from each school council will engage with board staff in participatory interactive parent-led workshops utilizing critical-thinking skills to enable parents to become meaningfully engaged partners in the education of their children.	\$10,000
Durham District School Board	Supporting Evidence-Based Strategies for Enhancing Parent Engagement	The project supports evidence-based strategies to enhance parent engagement. Based on data gathered from parent surveys that identify barriers and assess their levels of engagement, the DDSB will train and support 56 school action teams who will develop parent engagement plans and will create a parent engagement resource kit that can be used system-wide.	\$15,000
Friends In Trouble	Parents Involved In Education (P.I.E.)	Parents Involved in Education (P.I.E.) is a community-based project that increases parent/guardian involvement in their children's education and school life in the NW2 family of schools of Toronto District School Board in the Jane and Finch area. The initiative includes 50 focus groups and workshops on parent engagement and will be assessed in collaboration with an evaluation team of York University.	\$6,500
Greater Essex County District School Board	Connecting Parents and their Children's Education	A board-wide series of workshops initiated and delivered by parents will be offered in local schools. They provide information and tools on topics such as internet safety, children's learning styles, French immersion support and student assessments, so that parents feel that they are partners in their children's education.	\$10,000
Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee	Grand Erie Parent Engagement Symposium	Parents, guardians and community members will be invited to the Grand Erie Parent Engagement Symposium to participate in activities that will enhance leadership skills and strengthen capacity-building skills. The project furthers the 2011-12 goals of the Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee, which are to develop stronger parent networks within the board, support parents in their children's learning, and build confidence.	\$10,000
Halton District School Board Parent Involvement Committee	HDSB PIC Parent Conference	This parent conference will provide an opportunity for parents/guardians to attend a variety of workshops that will enhance parent involvement in their children's learning at home and at school. The event provides an opportunity for the HDSB PIC committee to promote its work, increase participation and share skill-building tools for parents and school council members as well as invite key community stakeholders to participate in the conference.	\$10,000
Hamilton's Centre for Civic Inclusion	Building Capacity and Creating Dialogue	Hamilton's Centre for Civic Inclusion will provide parents from racialized and marginalized communities with information and skills to better understand and make more effective use of the school system. The events will be offered through in-school parent workshops and a parent-school board dialogue with staff from each of the five elementary schools and one secondary school serving the multi-ethnic and multi-racial student population in the North End of Hamilton.	\$8,000

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Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Special Education Advisory Committee	SEAC: Bridging Between Parents and Educational Professionals at Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board	HWDSB SEAC will collaborate with other organizations (HWDCSB SEAC and HWDSB PIC) and inform parents and community members to increase their understanding of the board's special education programs and services. The events will be advertised board-wide and resource materials will be translated into various languages.	\$7,000
Halton Catholic District School Board - Catholic Parent Involvement Committee	2011 Halton Catholic District School Board Parent Conference	Parents from across the region will be invited to a conference to further educate them on topics such as equity and inclusive education, special education, new immigrant information, etc. This parent-run event is a key goal for HCDSB PIC; the event will be promoted board-wide to every school council.	\$9,000
LDCSB School Council and PIC	From Rhetoric to Reality	In partnership with the Thames Valley District School Board and PIC, the boards will host two parent-led and parent-directed conferences entitled: <i>All Children Are Special</i> and <i>Parent Leadership - Intentions Equal Results</i> . The conferences and training sessions will focus on issues affecting at-risk communities, and will bring together education partners and provide tools for parents to take back and implement in their communities.	\$7,500
Learning Disabilities Association - London Region	Positive Parent Advocates: Building Knowledge & Connections	This project will focus on parents of children with learning disabilities. A set of workshops (scheduled once monthly for a 10-month duration), featuring six facilitated sessions & four guest speaker sessions, will address the group's goal of increasing parents' knowledge and skills that will in turn improve their ability to participate and communicate collaboratively with schools to support student learning.	\$7,000
Learning Disabilities Association of York Region	Promoting Social Media and Enhancing Literacy	The project proposes to help parents in York Region to improve their children's literacy skills. LDA-YR will hold focus groups, speaking engagements, parenting seminars and develop a parent guide to assist newcomers and teach parents who have children with LDs and/or ADHD to build their social media literacy skills. The project will focus on the Persian population in York Region; as well as the Cantonese/Mandarin and Tamil speaking communities.	\$13,000
Limestone DSB School Council Liaison Committee (PIC)	Learning in Limestone - Parent Resource Lending Library	The Limestone DSB will set up a resource lending library, to engage and support school councils and parents. The resource materials available in the PIC library will provide parents with curriculum and parenting materials to assist their children's learning. As part of a forum and as an introduction to the new lending library, Limestone DSB will invite a guest speaker on parent engagement.	\$12,500
Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic Parent Involvement Committee	Parents as Partners - Making technology work for us	A symposium for parents and educators to build awareness and skills in becoming technologically knowledgeable to better support student learning at home and to enhance their roles as partners in learning. NPSC PIC has identified this as a priority area of learning for parents to gain an enhanced understanding of the internet and social media.	\$10,000

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Northeastern Catholic District School Board	Learning Together	This project serves to build relationships and partnerships between the schools, the board and the Aboriginal parents and community. Using evidence-based practices, NCDSB will adapt research-based tools with the input from leading Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal experts to enhance parent engagement in support of student success and well-being.	\$15,000
Ontario Association for Families of Children with Communication Disorders (OAFCCD)	DVD for Parents of Students with Communication Disorders	This project will create a DVD for families that provides information on the impact of a speech and language impairment on children's education, and on how parents can contribute to their children's success at school. The resource provides information to parents in multiple ways, including parent stories, school scenes, professional - parent interactions, information on communication disorders and ideas on how parents can be involved.	\$10,000
Ontario Federation of Home and School Associations	OFHSA 96th Annual Conference	The project supports the Ontario Federation of Home and School's 2012 conference to enhance parent engagement, understand barriers and assist parents to become more effective partners in their children's education. The conference will address issues of equity and inclusion and include workshops to enhance committee effectiveness, develop parent leadership and provide information about newcomer families and current educational topics for parents in support of student success and well-being.	\$7,800
Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) - Ottawa Catholic School Board	Parenting Now Symposium	The Ottawa Catholic School Board Parent Involvement Committee will host two symposia for Eastern Ontario parents with children in grades K to 12. The goal of the symposia is to reach and educate parents to increase parent engagement, whether in the school (school council or volunteer) or at home with tools to increase parents' confidence when working with their children.	\$9,000
Parent Involvement Committee-Ottawa-Carleton District School Board	Engaging Parents: Implementing a Successful Parent Involvement Committee	The Ottawa Carleton District School Board PIC will develop a year-long parent engagement framework in support of student achievement to connect and work with parents who are involved and those who are not engaged. The strategy will involve skill-building workshops, a speaker series, and monthly newsletters spread out over the school year.	\$10,500
Parents partenaires en éducation (PPE)	Entre parents, au coeur de l'éducation de nos enfants	Travaillant avec les parents pour les parents, Parents partenaires en éducation tiendra une série d'ateliers d'éducation et de formation visant à démystifier l'engagement des parents. Les ateliers, qui auront lieu dans au moins quatre régions, aborderont des sujets d'intérêt pour les parents: la diversité, l'inclusion, l'alimentation saine, la sécurité cybernétique, et l'intimidation.	\$20,000
People for Education	People for Education Annual Conference	This project supports the 2012 People for Education conference. This event is for parents, parent-leaders, school and board staff, and community agencies from across the province who will gather over two days to share information, build capacity, dialogue and network. There will be a range of workshops that touch on topics such as: improving school council effectiveness, healthy schools and building effective school and community partnerships.	\$20,000

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RCDSB Parent Involvement Committee	Achieving As One	The project offers two key knowledge-building and training opportunities to support school council success and provides resources to parents. The School Leadership Training Initiative provides school council workshops on effective council and parent engagement practices to support student success; the RCDSB School Showcase highlights student success and how parents can support children in all stages of their education and life-long learning.	\$10,000
Regroupement ethnoculturel des parents francophones de l'Ontario, REPFO	Journée d'information des parents ethnoculturels du Grand Toronto	Le Regroupement ethnoculturel des parents francophones de l'Ontario (REPFO) tiendra deux journées d'information à l'intention des parents francophones en général et de ceux qui appartiennent aux communautés ethnoculturelles pour les engager davantage dans le système scolaire et dans l'éducation de leurs enfants, dans le but de prévenir le décrochage et de favoriser la réussite et le bon rendement des élèves.	\$9,000
Special Education Advisory Committee (S.E.A.C.) - Dufferin-Peel Catholic District Board	Bridging the Gap for Parents of Students with Special Needs	This project bridges the gap for parents of students with special needs with information and hands-on workshops, to enhance parent engagement in support of student success. The SEAC will host evening sessions for parents about literacy and transitions planning and will translate the Special Education Parent Guide into multiple languages.	\$15,000
TCDSB Catholic Parent Involvement Committee	Parent Summit and Outreach	The Toronto Catholic District School Board PIC will host a full day summit that combines a half-day Catholic School Advisory Council Assembly meeting to share parent-community issues and priorities and a half-day parent engagement learning conference. Outcomes from the summit will provide direction and materials for the PIC to host more locally-based events and further outreach to parents of diverse backgrounds.	\$11,500
Thames Valley Parent Involvement Committee	From Rhetoric to Reality: Two London Regional Conferences	In partnership with the London District Catholic School Board and PIC, the boards will host two parent-led and parent-directed conferences entitled: All Children Are Special and Parent Leadership - Intentions Equal Results. The conferences will examine issues affecting at-risk communities, bring together education partners, and provide tools for parents to take back and implement in their communities.	\$7,500
The Learning Disabilities Association of Sudbury	Working Together for Rising Stars	The project establishes a Parent Outreach Connection Group and Parent Assistance Program across North-eastern Ontario and provides training and learning opportunities to parents with children and youth with learning disabilities and other exceptionalities. Parents will develop skills and acquire the tools through nine interactive parent workshops, including two major community events with nationally recognized motivational speakers with learning disabilities.	\$10,000
The Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education	OAPCE 73rd Annual Conference	The project supports the annual conference of OAPCE. In 2012 the event includes a keynote speaker and workshops with a focus on equity and diversity, new technologies, as well as education, training, skill-building tools and networking opportunities for Catholic parents from across the province.	\$11,000

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Toronto District School Board	Healthy Parents and Kids	This is a forum for parents to develop hands-on skills and acquire knowledge about their children's fitness, health and wellness to support student achievement and well-being. The goal is to encourage parent engagement by removing barriers to school involvement and to promote the school as a community hub. Practical and hands-on sessions will take place in each of the four quadrants of the TDSB.	\$9,000
Upper Grand District School Board	Engaging Parents into Leading Literacy	A literacy learning-fair for parents, students and educators with speakers and community partners information booths aimed at engaging parents in their children's literacy learning and how this relates to career connections and opportunities.	\$12,500
VOICE for Hearing Impaired Children	VOICE Annual Conference	VOICE will host its 20th annual conference for parents and professionals. VOICE's conference aims to educate and support parents, teens and educators by offering current information and skills-based workshops; it involves key educational partners and stakeholders in the planning of the event.	\$7,500
Waterloo Region District School Board	Waterloo Region: Healthy Students, Healthy Communities	A wellness fair with keynote speakers and community groups to support a diverse group of families; the event will be promoted in every school. Forty community organizations will present information and resources on topics of nutrition, physical activity, mental wellness, children with exceptionalities, and support services for new Canadian families and families in need.	\$7,000
York Region District School Board	Welcoming Communities For All	In order to develop welcoming communities in each of the four Central Education Centers and to support student success, parents and caregivers will be provided with training to mentor parents in their regions and an opportunity to share best practices in a post-project symposium.	\$15,000