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Agincourt Community Services Association	Parenting Learn & Share	Development of a resource manual and workshops for newcomer parents in priority neighbourhoods, including dissemination of resource packages, translated in Arabic, Urdu, Mandarin and Tamil, and the development of an interactive website. The project will focus on how parents can engage in and employ various resources to support their children's learning at home and at school.	\$ 30,000
Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board	Building the School Community	This research initiative looks at barriers to parent engagement and designing an action plan in collaboration with school councils and school staff. A parent/guardian survey will be undertaken to identify barriers to parent participation in their children's education. Needs identified through the survey will be addressed through a series of learning events and workshops for parents.	\$ 13,700
Association francophone de parents d'enfants dyslexiques ou ayant tout autre trouble d'apprentissage	Ateliers pour parents d'enfants dyslexiques ou ayant tout autre trouble d'apprentissage	Ce projet permettra la mise sur pied d'une campagne de sensibilisation, l'élaboration d'instruments d'information, par exemple des brochures, la mise en place d'un numéro 1 800, et la mise au point de matériel pédagogique afin de rejoindre les conseils scolaires et les collectivités de langue française. Le projet a également pour but d'informer les parents au sujet des difficultés d'apprentissage au moyen de vidéoconférences transmises auprès des 12 conseils scolaires francophones.	\$ 29,500
Bluewater District School Board Parent Involvement Committee	Bluewater School District Parent Engagement Website	To enhance home and school communications the PIC will re-design its website to allow ongoing updates by the PIC itself, and monitoring of the website's usage and reach, volunteer levels, as well as the degree of parent engagement in social media. Parents will also be able to subscribe to regional news bulletins.	\$ 30,000
Simcoe County District School Board - Bradford Family of Schools	Learning with Technology: Parents and Teachers Working Together	This project will focus on supporting parents' understanding of embedding technology into classrooms and schools. The Bradford Family of Schools, in collaboration with Taking It Global (TIG), will hold a one day conference on this topic. Workshops will focus on how technology is used in the classroom to support student achievement and well-being.	\$ 12,500
Brunswick House First Nation (BHFN)	Enhancing communication between school and parents at BHFN	A series of parent engagement strategies workshops with Aboriginal families and local area schools will be held to help improve graduation rates. Parents will learn how to set high expectations early, and learn simple tips on how to support their children's learning at home. An open house will provide an opportunity to detail upcoming communications for the school year and arrange an email exchange between teachers and parents to facilitate on-going communication.	\$ 4,000
Canadian Parents for French (CPF Ontario)	Parents as Partners Toolkits and Workshops	A toolkit titled: "How to Support Your Child in a French Immersion, Extended or Core French Program" will be developed and distributed to school councils in elementary schools with French language programs across the province. A webinar for school councils and training workshops on the toolkit in a small number of district school boards will be offered. Workshop topics will include: Questions and Answers, Tip Sheets and a detailed How-to Guide on organizing a variety of themed "Parent Survival Nights" in their school communities.	\$ 20,000
Career Education Council	Your Future Your Choice Career & Parent Learning Fair	This project will provide a forum for parents to connect with employers, universities, colleges and apprenticeship programs; provide parents with information on the essential skills that are needed in the 21st century workplace and to gather career information to make informed decisions with their children about future pathways. Upper Grand DSB & Wellington Catholic DSB have identified this as a need in their communities and are important partners and members of the planning committee comprised of teachers, students and parents.	\$ 12,000

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Upper Canada District School Board - Carleton Place Family of Schools	Finding Family Fitness	Carleton Place Family of Schools in collaboration with local fitness providers will encourage family participation in fitness activities throughout the school year to support student achievement and well-being. All the events will occur at one of the schools in the Carleton Place Family of Schools, and school staff will participate along with families as co-learners. The proposal is supported by five schools and the model can be shared with other Families of Schools.	\$ 5,250
Centre for Spanish Speaking People	Unidos	To building the capacity of families to engage and support student success, this project involves outreach to Spanish speaking parents by offering weekly activities and workshops to help them navigate the education system and to provide resources and develop skills to support their children's learning. A video resource for parents will be developed and a parent support group will be created.	\$ 9,660
Centre ontarien de prévention des agressions (COPA)	Le rôle parental et le changement - Atelier pour les parents	Le COPA mettra sur pied et dirigera un nouvel atelier intitulé « Parenting for Change » (le rôle parental et le changement). Cet atelier pratique à l'intention des parents sera adapté de « Power to Change » (le pouvoir de changer) pour les éducatrices et éducateurs et le personnel. Cette initiative a pour but de développer la capacité parentale. La formation du COPA est axée sur les méthodes constructives de communication, de résolution de problèmes, d'établissement de relations saines et égalitaires, et de collaboration entre la maison et l'école. Cet outil est élaboré par et pour les intervenants de la communauté franco-ontarienne de partout en province.	\$ 17,100
Chiefs of Ontario	Renewing the Family Learning Spirit	The Chiefs of Ontario Education Unit will conduct region-wide engagement sessions with First Nations parents, caregivers, and educators to identify relevant approaches that will increase First Nations parent, family and community confidence in education in Ontario. The sessions will be organized in sites across the province. A resource kit to support parent and community engagement in their children's learning in both First Nations and public schools will be produced.	\$ 27,300
Community Builders	Parent Leadership Series: Addressing the roots of bullying and conflict and boosting student success	This project will focus on the roots of bullying and conflict and equip parents with practical skills by engaging them in half day workshops called "Parent Leadership Skills for Creating Safe and Inclusive Schools". Community Builders will work with schools to conduct the half-day workshops, parent/student leadership dialogues, and "Advanced Parent Leadership" workshops. The project will support student success and well-being by nurturing a growing cadre of confident parent leaders with positive skills for reducing bullying and conflict.	\$ 14,950
Conseil des écoles catholiques du Centre-Est	Appui aux compétences parentales via le WEB 2.0	Le CPP du CECCE explorera et maximisera l'utilisation des technologies Web 2.0 afin de fournir aux parents une formation sur le Web dans l'ensemble de la région. Les parents d'un coin à l'autre de l'Ontario seront en mesure d'utiliser l'information et les ressources de façon continue au moyen d'Internet. Les séances de participation des parents, devenues des webinaires, seront axées sur les sujets suivants : regroupements des conseils d'école – stratégies pratiques; ateliers de parents – littératie et numératie; tables rondes d'experts – santé mentale.	\$ 29,800
Conseil des écoles catholiques du Centre-Est	Apprendre en famille	Apprendre en famille est une collaboration entre deux écoles élémentaires, une école secondaire et des organismes communautaires dans un secteur prioritaire de la région d'Ottawa ayant plusieurs nouveaux arrivants francophones. L'objectif vise à mobiliser les parents dans une série d'activités agréables qui viennent en appui à l'apprentissage des élèves. Des élèves bénévoles de l'école secondaire du secteur et des grands-parents des centres communautaires participeront aux événements. Les activités éducatives seront mises au point par le comité organisateur.	\$ 30,000

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Conseil des écoles publiques de l'Est de l'Ontario - Comité de participation des parents	Planifier l'engagement et la participation des parents	Le CPP organisera un colloque pour les conseils d'école du conseil scolaire. La trousse à outils du CODE destinée aux parents sera utilisée pour informer les membres des conseils d'école au sujet des stratégies actuelles et les leur proposer. L'objectif est de créer un forum afin que les conseils d'école puissent partager les défis et les pratiques exemplaires relativement à la participation des parents. Le projet sera mené selon diverses phases dont l'une comporte l'élaboration de capsules vidéo.	\$ 30,000
Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel-Ontario - Comité de participation des parents	Je me renseigne	Le projet consiste à mettre au point une série de webinaires sur la participation des parents et les stratégies visant à favoriser la participation des parents pour la réussite des élèves et le bien-être à la maison et à l'école. La disponibilité des webinaires sur le site Web du conseil scolaire permettra aux parents d'accéder à l'information au moment qui leur convient. Les parents, d'un coin à l'autre de la province et à l'extérieur du territoire de compétence du conseil scolaire, pourront également y avoir accès. Le contenu sera élaboré grâce à la rétroaction des membres du CPP, des conseils d'école et du personnel ressource du conseil scolaire.	\$ 20,000
Conseil scolaire catholique Franco-Nord - Comité de participation des parents	La sécurité de nos enfants	Le CPP organisera des conversations avec les parents concernant la sécurité et le bien-être des enfants dans les écoles. Les discussions porteront sur l'intimidation et la cyberintimidation; les initiatives liées à la santé mentale offertes par les écoles et les organismes partenaires; et la dépendance des adolescents aux drogues. Cet événement en soirée avec un conférencier principal sera axé sur ces questions et suivi d'une série d'ateliers. Les parents recevront renseignements, brochures et coordonnées. Les organismes partenaires pourront présenter à un kiosque des renseignements et programmes.	\$ 30,000
Conseil scolaire de district catholique de l'Est ontarien	Outils pour appuyer les parents du CSDCEO	Ce projet permettra de produire, d'adapter ou de traduire des documents d'information à l'intention des parents afin de favoriser la réussite et le bien-être des élèves. Ces documents, sur un vaste éventail de sujets, seront distribués tout au long de l'année scolaire. Un outil d'information sera produit et distribué au sein de la communauté scolaire par l'intermédiaire des conseils d'école. Tous les parents recevront des liens Web ou des copies papier de stratégies pour soutenir l'apprentissage de leurs enfants.	\$ 30,000
Conseil scolaire de district des écoles catholiques du Sud-Ouest	Tout un «village» pour assurer la réussite de chaque élève...le partenariat à l'oeuvre!	Ce projet a pour objectif de bâtir la capacité, renforcer les connaissances et aborder la question de l'isolement ressenti par bon nombre de personnes dans une vaste région géographique. Un atelier intitulé « Veiller au bon fonctionnement des conseils d'école » sera organisé en partenariat avec les organismes communautaires et à des activités offertes par les groupes d'intervenantes et d'intervenants et les organismes. Des forums auront lieu dans sept régions – Windsor-Essex, Chatham-Kent, Lambton, Woodstock et Owen Sound – en fonction du « menu » des ateliers choisi par chacune des régions. Les parents dans chacune des régions seront informés des services et programmes qui y sont offerts.	\$ 19,500
Conseil scolaire Viamonde	Favoriser la communication avec les parents	Cette année, le conseil scolaire, en collaboration avec le CPP, mettra au point des troussees d'information, un webinaire ainsi que des ateliers dans les régions. Ce travail sera effectué par une équipe de parents accompagnée par du personnel ressource du conseil scolaire. Le projet permettra d'offrir de la formation à tous les conseils d'école relativement au portail pour les parents de façon à accroître la communication entre les conseils d'école et le CPP.	\$ 26,300

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Coopérative Enseignants Pas A' Pas Incorporée	L'heure du conte	Le programme vise à offrir un véhicule pour les parents nouvellement arrivés afin qu'ils développent leur capacité de participer activement à l'apprentissage de leurs enfants au moyen de la narration de contes. Ce modèle est offert à des moments opportuns (après l'école) et intègre des récits culturels de l'Ontario et d'ailleurs. Les parents peuvent communiquer avec le personnel de la CEPAP dans leur langue maternelle à propos de questions et thèmes relativement à l'art d'être parent et au rendement des élèves. Un guide de ressources sera élaboré pour aider les parents à élaborer des récits culturels. Des ateliers seront organisés afin de venir en aide aux parents en ce qui a trait à l'approche présentée.	\$ 16,150
District School Board of Niagara	Increasing Parent Involvement in Summer HEAT	Summer HEAT (Helping Everyone Achieve Together) is a summer learning program that takes place in schools located in priority areas of the DSB of Niagara. Engaging Parents through Summer Learning Program 2013 will offer support to the parents of ELL students to engage in their children's learning at home and at school. Summer HEAT materials will be translated. Teachers will work with parents to implement a home reading program and will share with parents games and instructional strategies that they can use to reinforce their children's numeracy skills.	\$ 16,000
District School Board of Niagara - Parent Involvement Committee	DSBN PIC Conference - 21st Century Learners: Raising the Whole Child	The DSBN PIC will host a parent conference and extend invitations to all school boards in the London Region. The conference will be parent-driven and parent-organized providing skill-building and training for parents and educators about effective parent engagement practices, meaningful partnerships, community engagement and how to duplicate these results in their own regions.	\$ 10,000
Down Syndrome Research Institute	DSRI Parent Education Program	This project will share current research about the learning styles of students with Down Syndrome and assist parents to partner with schools to incorporate evidence-based practices into students' IPRCs and IEPs. An integrated team approach will be used to help students improve their social communication, literacy and numeracy skills. An interdisciplinary workshop team will identify key information and strategies and develop and implement workshop content for parents.	\$ 12,900
OAPCE - Dufferin-Peel Association of Parents in Catholic Education (DRAPCE)	Parents Engaging Parents	This project will engage parents throughout the school year in educational topics and connect them with resources and information to support student achievement and well-being. Parents will receive timely information and will be familiarized with the structure of the school board, DRAPCE and the PIC. The events and workshops for parents will be held in locations across the region.	\$ 12,500
Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Parent Engagement & The Environment	The project will increase awareness and capacity within each school council to provide and facilitate meaningful and worthwhile parent engagement opportunities in their own school communities. A number of activities and events will further enhance communication among the board, the PIC, individual school councils and the parent community. Ongoing networking and support for school council members from across the board will be facilitated.	\$ 11,650
Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board - Special Education Advisory Committee	Interactive Sessions for Parents	This project will provide interactive information sessions for parents of children with special needs and translate resources into multiple languages for parents of ELL/ESL learners with special needs. A series of seminars, hosted by the SEAC (with guest speakers, specialists and community agencies) will be offered throughout the school year. They will focus on four key topics: literacy, numeracy, mental health and transitions planning in support of student success and well-being.	\$ 22,000

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Durham Black Educators' Network	Parent Engagement Solution - Equity and Empowerment Beyond the Achievement Gap	A Parent Summit and workshops will be held to examine and discuss ways to enhance student achievement and provide tools and strategies for parents to support their children's learning. Emphasis will be placed on gaining a better understanding of community engagement in schools and practical skills for parent engagement at home in support of student success and well-being.	\$ 5,500
Durham Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Demystifying Youth Mental Health	The PIC will develop and host a series of interactive workshops for parents on youth mental health. A series of gatherings will be offered across the Durham region. Keynote speakers, board presenters and specialists in the field will provide parents with resources to support student achievement and well-being. Resources will be developed and also translated into First Nations languages.	\$ 19,450
Durham District School Board	Empowering the Parent Voice: A Collaborative Response to the Parent Survey	This project will develop resources and tools to assist school councils in analyzing school-specific results of a parent survey and create data-informed, sustainable strategies to minimize barriers to parent engagement. A steering committee will work with a research consultant to develop tools, analyze the survey data, and develop a collaborative inquiry approach for focus groups to be used by School Action Teams district-wide.	\$ 29,980
Easter Seals Ontario	Smoothing the Way - Transition Resources	A practical transition resource guide for parents of students with physical disabilities will be created that will support student success through key transition times at school. The guide will be translated into French and made available online. Developed with input from parents in the Easter Seals SEAC program from 17 school boards, staff from Holland Bloorview Kid's Rehab Hospital, this resource will provide up-to-date information on evidence based practices.	\$ 10,000
Education Working Group of Lawrence Heights Inter-organization Network	LHION Parent Inclusion Project	The project will help parents be better prepared and equipped with the tools and knowledge to participate in the assessment, identification, placement and transition planning for their children with special needs. Community-building and information exchanges as well as a series of workshops about pedagogy and exceptionalities, navigating special education, effective communication between home and school, and access to local resources will be offered in three priority neighbourhoods in Toronto.	\$ 12,700
Eritrean Parents Liaison Council	Parents' Conference in the GTA	Eritrean parents will be engaged in a full day conference on parent engagement in support of student achievement and well-being. The goal is to reach Eritrean parents with children in the TDSB and Peel DSB, and provide them with practical workshops and an opportunity to network with school staff and community agencies. The workshops will cover topics such as: healthy eating, parent leadership, parent engagement, school safety and security, the environment, and physical activity. A resource booklet will be developed on school and community supports.	\$ 18,000
Friends in Trouble Community Services	Parents Involved in Education	This project will build a network of parent leaders in schools in a priority neighbourhood district of TDSB. Parents will identify and address barriers to successful parent engagement to support student achievement and well-being. Outreach will be made to newcomer parents from the Karen, East African and Latino communities. A series of parent group sessions will allow parents to discuss and share experiences. Workshop topics will include: What does engagement look like?; Resolving conflict between parents/teachers; Understanding IEPs.	\$ 12,330
Greater Essex County District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Parent Involvement Initiative 2012-13	The PIC will offer a series of parent engagement workshops to build on its success in recruiting new parents and getting more parents involved in local school councils. The activities will range from evening sessions to a full day forum and will raise the awareness of the PIC and provide hands-on workshops on topics such as: What is a school council?; Nutrition and fundraising; GSA's and bullying prevention; Children with special needs, etc.	\$ 19,935

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Halton District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	HDSB PIC Parent Conference	The project will support, encourage and enhance parent engagement within schools and the school board. A one day symposium will provide an opportunity for parents to gather information and knowledge on issues relevant to student achievement and well-being, and support the work of school councils, PTA's and Home and School Associations as well as the HDSB PIC. Skill-building workshops will be offered to parents, and community agencies will be invited to share their resources and supports.	\$ 15,000
Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion	Mental Health Support	This project will engage and educate parents from diverse ethnocultural, linguistic, and newcomer communities about child and youth mental health. A culturally sensitive approach will link mental health and well-being with diet, nutrition and physical activity. Parents will be supported to recognize indicators of ill-health and provide their children with physical, emotional and nutritional supports essential for improving student success and well-being. The project will also connect parents with health and wellness professionals.	\$ 11,505
Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board	HWCDSB Parent Conference	This initiative brings parents together to provide them with an opportunity to network, take part in training on a variety of topics and attend a forum to share ideas and best practices. Parents from every school and the broader community will be invited to learn about supports that are available. The conference will support Ministry and Board initiatives and welcome the newcomers to the region.	\$ 10,000
Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board	An Outreach to Parents/Guardians of Transgender Students	In partnership with a local LGBTQ agency, the school board will co-host sessions for parents/guardians of transgender students to dialogue and discuss school supports and gender identity issues. Information gathered from the sessions will be used to develop a parent resource guide. Feedback from parents will inform best practices and the work of the London Region Equity and Inclusive Education Implementation Network.	\$ 6,375
Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board - Special Education Advisory Committee	Bridging Between Home and School at Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board	This initiative consists of a series of events and materials to engage parents including: parent resources in different languages in print and on the Board website; information sessions including the SEAC Open House, Student Voice Open House, Parents as Partners sessions; focus group sessions on specific topics, such as elements of the Board Program Strategy; and collaboration with the PIC and the co-terminus board's SEAC on parent information sessions.	\$ 8,000
Hands TheFamilyHelpNetwork.ca	Emergent Literacy Symposium	The Emergent Literacy Symposium will provide information on the nature of early and emergent literacy, concrete strategies to develop literacy skills and resources for parents and professionals to be used in their interactions and relationships with children. A one day symposium will include a variety of presenters and workshops. Parents and professionals will have an opportunity to increase their practical skills, share their own expertise and liaise with one another in order to establish a network of ongoing professional support.	\$ 15,000
Halton Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	2012 Halton CDSB Parent Conference	The PIC conference will support student achievement and well-being by providing a welcoming environment that encourages parents from across the Halton Region to engage in topics such as: 21st century learning; developmental assets; parenting skills; safe and healthy schools; special education; elementary and secondary literacy/numeracy; and pathways programs. The project will continue to build community ties and networks with members from across the Halton Region, and invitations will be extended to neighbouring school boards.	\$ 10,270
Halton Catholic District School Board - Multicultural Advisory Newcomer Parent and Community Partners Committee	Diversity Lives in Halton!	A series of sessions for parents and families new to Ontario will be held across the region. The project will support student achievement and well-being by welcoming, including and supporting newcomer families to Ontario schools and assisting them with integration into school communities and the community at large.	\$ 14,100

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Huron Perth Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Reach Every Family: Nurturing Resiliency for Life and School Success	In collaboration, the four English Catholic School Boards within the London Diocese region, will offer two half-day parent conferences, one in the fall and one in the spring. These sessions will help support and nurture parents in order for them to be better equipped to foster the spiritual, physical, social, emotional and intellectual development of their children. Engaged parents will provide knowledge, skills, tools and encouragement for a strengths-based, holistic framework to develop resiliency in children and youth.	\$ 26,950
Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Growing and Learning Together	The PIC will offer a speaker series and align its activities with board initiatives that support improved student achievement and well-being. The PIC will raise its profile by providing parents and guardians opportunities to be engaged through learning and sharing. The events will take place throughout the school year, and will be held in a location that supports videoconferencing to accommodate the largest number of parents.	\$ 29,400
Integration Action for Inclusion	Access to the Curriculum for All Conference	At a conference for parents and teachers about inclusive classroom practices, participants will explore how curriculum and learning expectations can be modified for students with intellectual/developmental disabilities. Parents will build skills and gain knowledge of resources to help them support their children's learning at home and at school.	\$ 10,000
OAPCE - Joint Educational Parent Advisory Group	Engaging Parents in Hamilton Wentworth CDSB	A series of parent workshops will be hosted during the school year about: Character Development, Healthy and Safe Schools, Literacy and Numeracy and Student Success/Learning to 18. Parents will take away useful tools and techniques that will better equip them to support the developmental needs of their children. Renowned guest speakers have been invited to take part in the series.	\$ 13,200
Lakehead Adult Education Center (LAEC)	The Parent Press	The creation of a parent-driven quarterly newspaper will allow parents to have share their interests and knowledge with multiple school communities. The newspaper will include articles on how parents can get involved in the school, useful tips to promote student achievement and well-being, and discussions about learning gained from the Family Connections workshops run by the LAEC. This parent-driven newspaper will serve all parents, with particular focus on the Aboriginal community.	\$ 20,390
Learning Disabilities Association of Ottawa Carleton (LDAOC)	Right to Learn Power to Achieve - Family Strategies to Support the Child with Learning Disabilities	A series of workshops to provide parents of students with learning challenges, the tools to support self-advocacy skills development for their children. Parents will develop skills and receive information to support them as they navigate the school system. Parents will also be provided with an opportunity to develop a relationship with a resource facilitator. Themes to be offered include: Understanding Learning Disability and Exceptional Students, Building Effective Teacher-Parent Partnerships and Fostering Motivation in Your Child.	\$ 10,000
Learning Disabilities Association of Simcoe County	Parent Engagement in the Individual Educational Plan (IEP)	Workshops and information sessions will support parents by strengthening their understanding of the IEP process. A "Parents Guide through the IEP Process" and tool kits comprised of information about learning disabilities and accessible resources will be created. LDASC will also offer seminars and promote partnerships among parents, teachers and school councils.	\$ 13,500
Learning Disabilities Association of Sudbury	Student Success with Shared Solutions	This project supports families of students with learning differences across Northeastern Ontario. It involves speaker series sessions, personalized programs, and interactive parent workshops and classroom sessions. It focuses on "student success" and "shared solutions" through parent engagement, with a focus on student strengths, learning profiles, strategies and supports. All sessions are delivered in partnership with SEACs and PICs, and in collaboration with various school boards in the region.	\$ 21,000

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Learning Disabilities Association of York Region	Learning Disabilities without Borders	This project will assist parents of African, Tamil and Korean heritage to better understand the challenges and successes that children with learning disabilities could encounter. Information and support will be provided through focus groups, presentations, written resources and seminars to assist parents in understanding effective parent engagement and inclusive education strategies in support of student achievement and well-being. With the assistance of school staff, this initiative will enhance integration of newcomer families to the school and the community.	\$ 21,000
Learning Disabilities Association Toronto District	All Bases Covered: The A.B.C's of Working with LD/AD(H)D Learners	The project involves creating a parent resource to be distributed to TDSB and TCDSB schools and available on-line for parents of LD and AD(H)D children to support student success. The initiative provides parenting and teaching strategies in a layered approach to cover the broad and complex needs of children – healthy behaviour and healthy thinking. It promotes a smooth transition for the child from the school to home environment.	\$ 20,000
Learning Disabilities Organization - London Region	Linkages & Access: Newcomer Engagement & Education	This project will provide information to newcomer parents about various learning disabilities and related challenges, differentiating between learning disabilities and English language learning difficulties, and alternative ways to approach learning. The project also focuses on helping parents gain skills to create a supportive and resilient home environment in support of student achievement and well-being. Materials will be translated and interpreters provided at workshops for speakers of Arabic, French, Korean and Spanish.	\$ 12,300
London District Catholic School Board District - Parent Involvement Committee	Reach Every Family: Nurturing Resiliency for Life and School Success	In collaboration, the four English Catholic School Boards within the London Diocese region, will offer two half-day parent conferences, one in the fall and one in the spring. These sessions will help support and nurture parents in order for them to be better equipped to foster the spiritual, physical, social, emotional and intellectual development of their children. Engaged parents will provide knowledge, skills, tools and encouragement for a strengths-based, holistic framework to develop resiliency in children and youth.	\$ 26,950
Moose Factory Island District School Area Board	Math At School and Home - "M.A.S.H."	M.A.S.H (Math At School and Home) will build parents' skills in supporting their children's mathematics learning by offering a series of guest speaker sessions, with practical workshops focussing on student learning from JK to Grade 8. This project will offer parents of this remote and northern region, information based on the Ontario Curriculum for Mathematics to improve their understanding of how mathematics is taught, and how they can support their children's learning at home and at school.	\$ 20,000
Muslim Educational Network, Training and Outreach Service	Parent Leader Training Program	The Parent Leader Training Program will train parents as community leaders and mentors to act as a liaison and resource to other parents. The program will provide knowledge of the Ontario education system, and identification and training of mentors to enable parents to act confidently and lead others to support their children's success. The training focuses on an inclusive model of education that embraces diversity, tolerance and cross-cultural understanding. The program will be offered in Scarborough, Etobicoke, York and Durham regions.	\$ 10,620
Niagara Catholic District School Board	Teaching your Child to Read: Tools, Tips & Strategies for Parents	A series of workshops for parents will provide tips, tools, and hands-on strategies to foster reading acquisition for struggling readers in Grade 1. Resources including a parent reference guide to support learning at home will be developed. Parents will be supported with knowledge about the specific processes of reading development. The workshop will discuss in "parent-friendly" terms, the areas that help promote reading success.	\$ 15,000

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Niagara Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Through The Years	The PIC will develop a resource and video for all families new to the board to provide information about opportunities, events and experiences, and the value and importance of parent engagement. The resource will contain a multilingual directory of contacts along with Q&A information parents can consult throughout their children's education. It will encourage parent involvement and support student success and well-being.	\$ 15,500
Nipissing Parry Sound Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Parents As Partners: Healthy Minds; Healthy Kids!	A symposium for parents and educators will build awareness and skills in meeting the needs of the whole child intellectually, socially and emotionally, to enhance their roles as partners in learning, and to support student learning at home and at school. In collaboration with the Board's SEAC, an evening speaker series will be offered in the fall of 2012. A learning carousel will be held in the spring of 2013, offering many workshops on the theme "Healthy Minds: Healthy Kids".	\$ 15,000
North Central Community Network	Parent Ambassador and Education Program	Parenting courses, workshops and presentations highlighting the important role of parents in the lives of their children will be held in multiple schools and community locations. A parent ambassador will help promote a welcoming school environment for parents and provide parents with valuable information to support student achievement and well-being.	\$ 17,500
Ottawa Carleton District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Supporting Student Learning and Well-Being Through Creative and Thoughtful Parent Engagement	This project will offer a series of presentations which will combine creativity and leadership and provide parents with a common educational dialogue which will help them in supporting their children's achievement and well-being. This initiative will focus on building the board's Leadership and Creativity Initiatives to engage parents in a common dialogue with education leaders. There are two components to the project: one major fall speaker event for parents, and an on-going speakers' series for parents with community partners.	\$ 30,000
Ottawa Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Professional Development for School Councils	The PIC will organize a professional development evening (Director's Forum) for school council members and parents, to enhance their understanding of challenges parents may be facing and help support student success in their own communities. The Forum will support school councils with a professional education presentation; provide school council members with the opportunity to network with peers; provide mentorship for schools councils, especially for new school council members and support parents and councils who are from schools in priority areas and where there is a large number of ELL and/or newcomer parents.	\$ 5,000
Parent Education Network	Parent Education Workshop Series	This initiative will engage parents of schools in the NW quadrant of the TDSB in order to provide them with skills to enhance student achievement and well-being. The project will develop parental skills and confidence in their abilities and responsibilities, as well as enhancing communication skills, and to enhance communication and interaction among parents and schools. By participating in PEN workshops, parents can develop networks and build community links with other parents for ongoing support.	\$ 14,225
Parents partenaires en éducation	Formation: Pour se préparer à l'entraide	L'organisme PPE a tenu avec succès une série de conversations pour les parents afin de favoriser le réseautage et le partage des connaissances. Bon nombre de ces conversations ont porté sur le sujet de l'éducation de l'enfance en difficulté. En collaboration avec une association francophone des troubles d'apprentissage, PPE élaborera des ressources et formera plusieurs parents souhaitant apporter leur soutien à d'autres parents qui pourraient avoir besoin d'aide pour s'y retrouver dans l'ensemble des ressources et des services à l'intention des enfants ayant des besoins particuliers.	\$ 30,000

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Parya Trillium Foundation	Everyone In: Parents as Active Partners in Education	This project will provide knowledge and tools to Farsi speaking parents to support their active partnership in their children's education. Through a series of seminars, workshops and a comprehensive multimedia website, the project will inform parents and facilitate communication between the home and the school and with their children. The project will lay a foundation of understanding for parents in the Iranian-Canadian community, provide information about the Ontario school system and teach parents how to access and use resources currently available.	\$ 20,170
People For Education	People for Education Annual Conference 2012	A two-day conference for parents, community agencies working with families and education professionals from Ontario. Information, resources and networking opportunities will be offered through workshops, plenary panel discussions and keynote speakers. The annual conference supports student achievement and well-being by providing opportunities for parents to improve their ability to support their own child's education and become more effective advocates for their child, including information on special education, effective strategies for parents to use with their children at home, and ways to support students through transitions to elementary school and high school.	\$ 30,000
Plan Canada	Parents for Global Girls	Using comprehensive materials created for parents and providing a workshop on life skills, parents will be encouraged to be active participants in their children's growth and development to support student success. Modules will cover conflict resolution, health and nutrition, financial literacy, self-esteem and gender equality. Workshop will be offered regionally across the TDSB.	\$ 28,000
Rainbow District School Board	Parents as Partners - Making the Transition	The support student success and well-being, the board will welcome students and parents into school through a Welcome to Kindergarten (WTK) orientation session, and support their transition from elementary to secondary school through an evening information session with a "Going from Grade 8 to 9 Transition Guide". At the WTK orientation sessions, parents will learn strategies about how they can help orient their children for school, with a special focus on literacy and numeracy. The information provided in the Gr. 8 to Gr. 9 guides and sessions will focus on pathways, learning tips, school life and student success.	\$ 25,000
OAPCE - Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education - Region 14 Regional Council	Training, Sharing and Networking - Helping Parents with Communication and Partnerships	This project will provide training and networking opportunity for parents from across Northwestern Ontario with focus on communications and working with schools and boards. The event will be an evening reserved for parents, during the annual Trustees Conference that brings educational partners together. Through this training, participants will be able to build the strong relationships necessary for parents to feel welcomed at all levels and for positive and respectful working environments.	\$ 28,420
Renfrew County Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Parent Symposium: Heart, Mind, Body and Soul	The PICs of Renfrew County Catholic and Renfrew County DSBs will provide workshops to address key interests of parents on topics supporting student achievement (literacy & numeracy), parent involvement supporting their children's learning, and collaborative problem solving and technology in the classroom. A keynote speaker will speak about personal struggles as a young teen, battling bullying and depression.	\$ 10,000
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Regroupement Ethnoculturel des Parents Francophones de l'Ontario (REPFO)	Journée d'information des parents ethnoculturels	Le REPFO propose des journées d'information à l'intention des parents francophones, en particulier ceux des communautés ethnoculturelles. Le REPFO aidera les parents francophones nouveaux arrivants à mieux comprendre le système scolaire ontarien et le rôle de soutien important qu'ils ont à jouer dans l'apprentissage et le bien-être de leurs enfants. Les ateliers porteront également sur les sujets suivants : le rôle des conseils scolaires et des conseils d'école, et la façon d'y participer; l'aide aux devoirs des enfants; l'éducation de l'enfance en difficulté; et les élèves récemment arrivés se trouvant au palier secondaire.	\$ 10,000
Halton District School Board - Special Education Advisory Committee	SEAC Coffee Chats for Parents	"Coffee Chats" provide a forum for parents/guardians, promote networking and support for parents directly from other parents, and provide expert speakers from the Special Education field, on topics of interest to parents/guardians. Community groups will be invited to participate and present to parents. Parents will learn about diversity through the special education lens, providing disability awareness and in turn increasing parent awareness, ultimately supporting a safe and welcoming environment for all students.	\$ 18,720
Simcoe-Muskoka Catholic District School Board	Communicating Effectively with Parents of ELL students - The Importance of Developing First Languages	This initiative will enhance parent engagement in their children's learning at home and at school by improving communication about the importance of first language learning. A translated brochure explaining the importance of developing one's first language will be created. Regularly scheduled family activities will use dual language books, and parents from four elementary schools will be encouraged to continue to use their first language at home and in the community to support their children's learning.	\$ 26,675
Somali Parent Liaison Coalition (SPLC)	Empowerment through Education	A program will be developed to engage Somali parents and students in education and to help them stay focused on school. The project will help Somali and Tamil speaking parents in York South, Rexdale and Etobicoke areas. SPLC will hold workshops, speaking engagements, parenting seminars and a parent forum to assist newcomers and parents to become more involved in their children's education. The forum will cover topics such as equity and inclusive education, cultural education, and new immigrant information.	\$ 18,000
St. Clair Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Reach Every Family: Nurturing Resiliency for Life and School Success	In collaboration, the four English Catholic School Boards within the London Diocese region, will offer two half-day parent conferences, one in the fall and one in the spring. These sessions will help support and nurture parents in order for them to be better equipped to foster the spiritual, physical, social, emotional and intellectual development of their children. Engaged parents will provide knowledge, skills, tools and encouragement for a strengths-based, holistic framework to develop resiliency in children and youth.	\$ 26,950
Toronto District School Board - Community Use of School	TDSB Parent Outreach	Parent engagement in their children's learning will be enhanced by addressing the barriers that may be faced by diverse communities. The project will provide both life skills and social skills development activities leading to a healthy community, central to the success of school children. There will be a combined session for all participants from across the board, followed by break-out sessions featuring practical activities for parents to support student success and well-being on topics such as: Mental Health and Wellness, Healthy Schools, Internet Safety and Homework Help.	\$ 21,000
The John Howard Society of Hamilton, Burlington and Area	Parent Training: Assets and Education	This initiative will promote Developmental Assets in youth aged 12-18 by developing the skills of parents and school council members as asset champions in their homes, schools and communities. Parents and teachers can use the Developmental Assets to reduce the number of youth who engage in high-risk behaviours; and to support school councils that wish to engage in the promotion of asset building resources and activities. This project is part of larger community-led initiative called Healthy Community, Healthy Youth.	\$ 8,500

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OAPCE - Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education	Embracing Parent Engagement	This conference will provide a forum for parents to network together, showcase successful practices and to provide a platform in which current and relevant information may be shared. The conference workshops will address demands and challenges that parents face and will provide informative workshops about CPICs and school councils.	\$ 17,100
Toronto Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Parents Engaged in 21st Century Education	The CPIC will host a one day conference for parents focussing on parent engagement strategies for supporting student achievement and well-being in the context of a rapidly changing and complex world. The conference will encourage and facilitate dialogue between parents and educators; will expose parents to new ideas and tools that support student achievement and well-being; will promote sharing of strategies for parenting that reduce bullying and will engage parents in safe-school initiatives and inclusive school programming in the TCDSB.	\$ 30,000
Upper Grand District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Linking Family-School Partnerships to Student Achievement	The PIC will host an event to assist teams of school council members, parents, teachers and administrators in developing a coordinated parent engagement plan. The PIC will survey current levels of parent engagement, and capture directly from parents the type of barriers they face. The PIC will then train eight to ten parents from each of the five regions of the board to run effective focus groups in their home area to increase parent engagement in support of student achievement and well-being.	\$ 19,750
VOICE for Hearing Impaired Children	E-ffective Partnering: A Proposal for E-learning for Parents of Students with Hearing Loss	This project will involve the creation and delivery of an e-learning tool for parents of children with a hearing loss in mainstream classrooms. This resource will offer interactive learning on how to collaborate with a student's special education team, build professional-parent interactions, and share key strategies to develop effective IEPs. This resources will benefit parents by providing them with knowledge about how to work with school teams to support curriculum access, social integration and independence.	\$ 18,000
Voilà Learning	Ateliers parents Edu-Connect	Voilà Learning offrira des ateliers parents Edu-Connect afin d'augmenter le nombre de parents se joignant aux conseils d'école, et d'accroître leurs connaissances et leur compréhension relativement aux outils et aux programmes qui leur sont offerts. Les sujets des ateliers sont, notamment, les suivants : aborder l'heure des devoirs, comprendre les attentes du curriculum, comprendre les bulletins, participer aux événements scolaires. Voilà Learning offrira également un système de « jumelage » selon lequel un lien est établi entre un parent peu familiarisé avec le système et un parent qui en possède une plus grande expérience.	\$ 22,120
Waterloo Region District School Board	A Family of Schools Reaching Out	Parents will be engaged in learning about how to support student success and well-being through presentations and math and home reading parent kits. Parents and teachers will learn about how they can support parent engagement, connect with parents through a blog with parent engagement tips, and invite parents into schools through a variety of methods that include student presentations, keynote speakers, and personal invitations from the school council.	\$ 11,150
Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Communication, Information and Resources- The Keys to Successful Parent Involvement	A PIC website and pamphlets will provide parents and staff with a better understanding of the purpose, role and responsibilities of the PIC and promote more effective strategies for running school councils and engaging parents to support student success and well-being. The project will enhance communication with all parents by getting valuable information directly to them including information about events, community organizations and resources they can access at their own convenience.	\$ 16,675

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Wellington Catholic District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Parents As Partners - Building Relationships, Promoting Success	This PIC-organized event will provide parents with information, support and resources on a wide range of topics such as: learning styles/gender-based learning; financial literacy; mental health; early learning; bullying; social media; and assessment for learning. This initiative will also build the leadership capacity of the PIC and school councils as they work in partnership along with board staff to enhance parent engagement in support of student achievement and well-being. The keynote speaker will address how to support children as they progress through different phases and transitions in their lives.	\$ 30,000
Working Women Community Centre	Increasing Awareness	This project will support student achievement and well-being by providing orientation sessions for parents about academic expectations, after school activities, assessment, and how to read report cards and discuss them with teachers. They will provide parents with information about parent/teacher interviews and will provide information sessions for teachers/administrators to better understand diverse communities and potential barriers to parent engagement. Sessions will be offered in various schools where there are concentrations of Portuguese and Spanish speaking families.	\$ 17,700
York Region District School Board	Courageous Conversations	The project will focus on removing barriers to engagement for newcomer families, families with diverse family structures, and families living in poverty and other marginalized groups who may not feel connected. A series of presentations will provide information for parents about emerging issues that create barriers to engagement; will identify parent leaders from specific school communities and train them to deliver presentations to parents and school communities; will develop a tool kit for schools to respond and implement equitable and inclusive strategies.	\$ 30,000
York Region District School Board - Parent Involvement Committee	Online Parent Engagement Resource	The PIC will create online learning modules narrated in multiple languages that will incorporate information, ideas and activities related to parent engagement currently only available in print and/or in workshop format. These online resources will be available for use by other groups to promote parent engagement in their children's learning at home and at school. Audio narration will be available in several languages.	\$ 16,800
York University, Faculty of Education	Research and community in minority demographic schools	The project will develop and pilot a program of parent and teacher driven research in a priority neighbourhood. The area of investigation will be determined by a school-based team and informed by their priority issue(s). Parents and teachers will "work together with academic researchers to find solutions to education-related issue(s)". The proposal seeks to answer: Can school-based, community-referenced research conducted by a team of multiple stakeholders – including parents as researchers – function as research?	\$ 5,570