PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE

YEAR END REPORT 2025-26

The **Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)** supports, encourages, and enhances parent engagement at the board level to improve student achievement and well-being. The PIC brings parent and caregiver perspectives to board-level planning, communication, and decision-making; advises on effective parent engagement; supports School Advisory Councils (SACs); helps reduce barriers to participation; and undertakes activities that help families support children's learning at home and at school.

THE YEAR AT A GLANCE

5

PIC meetings with **136 participants**

All

NNDSB schools supported with resources, presentations and connections with PIC

18

Schools received PRO Grant funding totaling **$21,123**

Created the NNDSB Edsby SAC Chair Forum to support networking, collaboration, and information sharing among School Advisory Councils.

COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION

1	Chair	31	SAC Chairs and Co-Chairs
1	Elementary Administrative Representative	1	Secondary Administrative Representative
1	Community Representative	1	Chief Executive Officer
1	Ministry-Appointed Supervisor	1	PIC Lead
1	Supervisory Officer	6	PRO Grant Subcommittee Members
1	Executive Assistant		

OUR GOALS AND HOW WE DID IT

This year, PIC focused on eight key goals to strengthen parent engagement across NNDSB. Here's what we set out to do and how we made progress.

GOAL	HOW WE DID IT
Strengthen and elevate parent engagement across NNDSB.	Held five PIC meetings with 136 participants and created opportunities for families and SAC representatives to learn, connect and contribute.
Increase representation and inclusion on PIC and SACs.	Included all SAC Chairs and Co-Chairs as voting members and welcomed elementary, secondary, community and system representatives.
Build strong communication pathways between schools, families and advisory committees.	Shared agendas, minutes, PIC information, PRO Grant opportunities and system updates through meetings and school communication channels.
Strengthen collaboration across advisory committees and community partners.	Connected PIC with advisory committees, board departments, Ministry representatives and community organizations to share information, resources and expertise.
Promote system-wide awareness of PIC's role, purpose and impact.	Provided a PIC overview, communicated the committee's mandate and documented the year's participation, investments and results.
Support capacity-building for educators, administrators and parent leaders.	Shared practical learning on student achievement and attendance; curriculum, EQAO and Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS); Safe Schools and the Code of Conduct; screen time and digital well-being; student mental health; equity and Indigenous education; special education, IEPs and IPRCs; summer learning; and family and community resources.
Elevate student and community voices using intersectional, equity-driven approaches.	Included Student Senate, equity, Indigenous education, inclusion, mental health, community culture and community partner perspectives in PIC learning and funded initiatives.
Use data to guide strategy, measure impact and inform decision-making.	Tracked meeting participation, PRO Grant allocations and school and community impact.

PARENT ENGAGEMENT IN ACTION

Through the Parent Reaching Out (PRO) Grant, 18 schools received **$21,123** to support a wide range of family engagement initiatives. These events helped build stronger connections between schools, families and communities.

PRO GRANT RECIPIENT

BRITT PUBLIC SCHOOL POW-WOW

Britt Public School's Summer Celebration Teaching and Learning Pow-wow was one of 18 PRO Grant-funded initiatives supported this year. The event brought students, families, staff, and community partners together for cultural teachings, drumming, dancing, and shared learning.

The event marked the return of a valued community tradition post-COVID. The pow-wow provided an important opportunity to strengthen cultural connections, celebrate Indigenous knowledge, and create meaningful learning experiences for families.



Community connection
Brought students, families, staff and community together.

Cultural learning
Created opportunities to learn through cultural teachings, drumming and dance.

Looking ahead
Renewed enthusiasm for making the pow-wow an annual celebration.

OTHER PRO GRANT FUNDED SCHOOL INITIATIVES

- Literacy and numeracy activities
- STEM learning events
- Parent learning sessions and speaker events
- Community wellness and mental health initiatives
- Digital wellness and screen time education
- Cultural learning and Indigenous education
- Family fun nights and school community events
- Arts, music, and hands-on learning