

2026-2027 One Year Action Plan related to the TLDSB Three Year Student Mental Health and Addiction Strategy

TLDSB's one year Action Plan builds on the achievements from our previous Mental Health and Addictions Strategy and prioritizes key actions to be taken in the 2026-27 school year. The One Year Action Plan also highlights the school board's progress in the implementation of the 11 requirements of [Student Mental Health PPM 169](#).

TLDSB will provide culturally responsive, identity affirming mental health and well-being awareness, promotion, prevention, early identification and intervention to best support **every student**. The mental health priority areas and commitments for TLDSB are to:

Priority Areas:	Key Performance Indicators
Promote mental health literacy and wellness Mental health literacy encompasses a spectrum of knowledge, understanding, abilities and self-awareness that empowers us to care for our own mental health and well-being, assist others, and navigate avenues for support. It is a journey that spans a lifetime. Key Actions 1. Prioritize mental health and addictions learning for staff and students including the importance of mental health promotion and stress management. 2. Continue Mental Health Champions program bringing educators together for targeted learning about mental health. 3. Expand the implementation of the preVenture program targeting grade 8 students across the system. 4. Continue universal practices of mental health promotion as part of the whole classroom and school culture with support from the Mental Health Counsellor Team. 5. Deliver Mental Health in Action modules to increase staff mental health literacy and support everyday mental health in the classroom. 6. Increase focus on mental health literacy and mental health promotion in transition years including both Kindergarten and the intermediate division. 7. Provide parent engagement opportunities and resources to increase awareness of mental health literacy and available services. 8. Continue implementation of the Trails to Wellness Social and Emotional Learning and increase parent communication to extend this learning into the home.	☐ Participation rate in preVenture ☐ Data collection for tier one supports ☐ Feedback surveys on role specific learning ☐ Participation rate in MH-Lit in Action ☐ Engagement rate for Trails programming ☐ Focus groups and interviews ☐ Parent participation rates

Equip students, staff, and caregivers with the knowledge to identify mental health concerns and available resources Key Actions 1. Support educators with the implementation and delivery of specific mandatory mental health literacy. 2. Increase parent/guardian engagement in family mental health literacy and awareness through targeted webinars, shared resources, and parent/guardian/family engagement activities. 3. Implement the TLDSB protocols specific to Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention and Tragic Event Response and provide training for educators about early identification and help-seeking. 4. Continue implementation of a multi-tiered system of support including a continuum of evidence-informed prevention and early intervention strategies. 5. Sustain expertise in the Mental Health Counsellor Team as well as increased clinical supervision to ensure consistency in the delivery of evidence-informed interventions across the system. 6. Provide virtual care delivery of mental health services when in-person services are not accessible. 7. Continue to deepen our understanding of school absenteeism and support all schools with their role with students where absences are connected to mental health.	☐ Completion rate for MH Lit modules ☐ Attendance at parent engagement events ☐ Resources shared ☐ Updated protocols in use ☐ Sessions of Prepare, Prevent, Respond ☐ Mental Health Counsellor referral data ☐ Feedback from stakeholders specific to continuum of care ☐ Improved school attendance
Collaborate with all stakeholders toward a shared vision of care Key Actions 1. Continue to engage in community collaboration and joint local planning across all regions in TLDSB. This will include role clarification, standardized partnerships, and protocols for partnerships. 2. Continue implementing Right Time Right Care in partnership with lead agencies and coterminous boards, with coaching support from the Knowledge Institute and School Mental Health Ontario. 3. Clear pathways to/through/from care are to be clearly identified and communicated both on the TLDSB public-facing website and supported through the availability of parent consultations as part of our continuum of care.	☐ Clearly defined roles and responsibilities at each tier ☐ Regular community meetings by region ☐ Regional community breakfasts ☐ Review process for community partnerships ☐ Public facing website reflects pathways to care
Amplify student voice and leadership in mental well-being Key Actions 1. Elevate student participation and leadership in mental health promotion including establishing secondary student mental health champions. 2. Continue to gather and use student voice to inform planning around mental health promotion, prevention, and early intervention.	☐ Youth champions of mental health identified in all secondary schools ☐ Data from climate survey and student voice used in school improvement planning