

Letter to Inform School Community a Service Animal will be in the School

Date: September 4, 2018

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s)/Staff Members:

This letter is to inform you that there will be a service animal in our school effective **Monday September 17, 2018**. This service animal will be supporting one of our students in each of her classes throughout the school day. The breed of the service animal is a Labrador Retriever.

Service animals are trained and recognized by an accredited training facility and are able to assist with many of the routine activities which pose as challenging for some students. The person's right to have a service animal is protected under the Ontario Human Rights Code (OHRC) and other laws as listed in the TDSB's guidelines.

Students and staff within these classrooms/department will receive more direct instruction and training as to the proper procedures and conduct when around the service animal. They will be informed that the service animal is a working animal not a pet while at school/work site.

We look forward to this new addition to our school/department and our community.

Thank you for your understanding and support. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact me directly at the school.

Sincerely,

William Mack, Principal