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Peel Learning
Foundation

Hopeful Tomorrows
Campaign

Mission

The Peel Learning Foundation is a community-based charitable organization that raises funds to enable students in the Peel District School Board to achieve personal excellence by providing resources that help them overcome barriers related to poverty.

Vision

For all Peel board students to participate fully in school to achieve personal excellence.



Types of emergency situations that PDSB students face

- Sudden death of family members
- Food insecurity
- Newcomers to Canada
- Single-parent households
- High cost of living
- Terminal illness
- Homelessness

Student Emergency Needs Program

- We support Peel District School Board students in kindergarten to grade 12 who are dealing with critical situations that require immediate action.
- We provide \$150 emergency grants in the form of gift cards to assist students in accessing **food, clothing, hygiene items, transportation, school supplies and other necessities.**
- We work in partnership with principals, vice-principals, social workers, settlement workers and teachers to support the best possible outcome for students in need.



Program Requests

- **“Parents expressed significant financial strain after job layoff. They advised that they do not have the funds to purchase lunch items for the children to bring to school. The PLF grant will be utilized to support with purchasing groceries as well as winter clothing items for the children.**
 - Great Lakes Public School, Brampton
- **“Student lives in a youth shelter and travels far to get to school. Funds will be used to purchase winter appropriate wear e.g. boots and a jacket.**
 - Peel Alternative School North, Brampton

Program Data

Student Support

- 2,662 students received support from the Student Emergency Needs Program in 2023.
- 1117 (42%) of those students lived in Brampton.

School Support

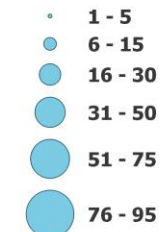
- 228 schools received support from the Student Emergency Needs Program in 2023.
- 103 schools (45%) are in Brampton.

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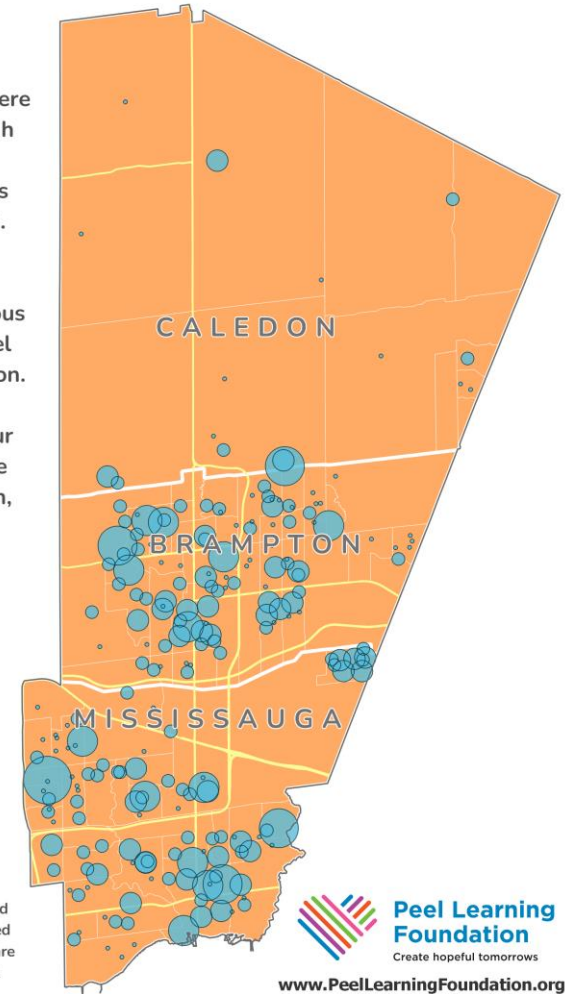
This was made possible by generous donors to the Peel Learning Foundation.

Here is where your gift helped create hope in Brampton, Caledon, and Mississauga.

Number of students helped*



* Your gift also supported 26 students who attended Peel virtual schools and are not assigned a physical location on this map.



Hopeful Tomorrows Campaign



In response to the increase in requests for support, the Peel Learning Foundation has launched the 2024 Hopeful Tomorrows Campaign.



Campaign period = September 2024 to February 2025



Our goal is to raise at least \$300,000 to ensure that we can support all students when they turn to us in their time of need.

Thank you for listening.

“The PLF grant has had a significant and meaningful impact on our students by providing assistance with essentials including food and groceries, clothing, footwear, and hygiene items in addition to ensuring that each child had the materials necessary to be successful at school. The student's mother was extremely grateful for the funds and expressed her deep appreciation for the care and dignity her family was given at this difficult time.”

- Red Willow Public School, Brampton

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