



J. Whitfield, Principal L. Scott, Vice Principal 8 September 2023

We've had a wonderful week and despite the heat students and staff were excited to be back at McMurrich!

Volunteers

We love our volunteers and many excursion or classroom events rely on them in order to provide supervision and support for the program. If you're thinking of volunteering with students, this year please fill out the new online Vulnerable Sector Check now so that you'll be ready to go when the call comes!

McMurrich like all schools in TDSB and the province, now requires that any person working or volunteering with our students either in the school or on field trips has submitted a vulnerable sector check.

Effective 05 September, 2023, Toronto Police Service has moved online for Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC). Attached are the word and pdf versions of the instructions for volunteers.

TDSB has been given a unique code that applicants will be required to use:

The code is **202309TPSOND7EFC**

The new weblink for online application is

https://www.tps.ca/services/police-record-checks/

All applicants are strongly encouraged to apply online. If this is unattainable for any reason, please email the PRC office at PoliceReferenceCheckOffice@tdsb.on.ca for the new form.

If you have had a police check done in the past year for work related requirements you may submit a photocopy of that approved check to the school office.

Picking up Early

If you need to pick up your young person from school early for any reason, please try to avoid recess times – it will take much longer to locate them once they are outside. Recess times are:

10:10 - 10:25

11:55 - 12:35

1:55 - 2:05

Late Arrivals

If you are dropping off your young person late please come to the front doors and buzz the office. Students in Kindergarten will be escorted to class and students in Grade 1-6 will be asked to check in at the office – collect a late slip and go to class on their own.

Thanks to Kinder parents

Thanks so much to our Kindergarten parents for saying their goodbyes at the gate this morning and allowing your young people to enter the yard independently and then focus on the day ahead. It was a very smooth entry and all our young students were able to start the day in a positive way!

Electronic Forms

TDSB will once again be sending home permission forms electronically. Please look for these forms and complete them as soon as possible.

Lunch Form

For us to accurately and safely supervise students at lunch time it is essential that we know who is on school property during the lunch period. This year we ask that you complete this lunch form **ONCE** at the beginning of the year.

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS <u>FORM</u> BY Monday, September 11. <u>McMurrich Lunch Program Form</u>

Curriculum Night

Please save the evening of September 28th for our Curriculum Night. Time to be confirmed.

TPS Online VSC Process

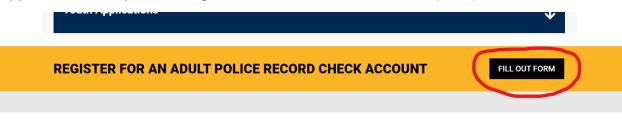
Effective September 05, 2023, TDSB volunteers who reside in Toronto can complete the Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC) online. We strongly encourage all volunteers to complete the VSC online.

Please follow the steps below to complete your VSC online.

Weblink: https://www.tps.ca/services/police-record-checks/

TDSB Code: 202309TPSOND7EFC

Applicants are required to register for a Police Record Check (PRC) Account.







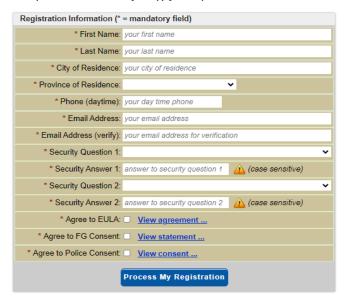
Consumer Home Business Home

Monitor the email you provide below for any messages from TPS while your record check is being processed (check your junk/spam folder).

Your completed record check will be sent electronically (or by mail in certain circumstances) and you will receive an email notification with more details at that time.

Registration Account Information

-- European Union residents may not apply to this platform. --





PLEASE NOTE: For privacy reasons, we strongly recommend that you use an email account to which only you have access, and that you can check regularly for messages from the police regarding the status of your application.

As part of the process, the police may need to send you email correspondence regarding your application. In some instances, these emails may contain highly confidential information concerning records found during their background queries, and requests for details to help determine whether or not those records belong to you, or another person with a similar name and/or birthdate.

For this reason, and to ensure your personal privacy, please keep this in mind when providing an email address in your account set-up.

Please keep the record of your log-in credentials.

- Your Username
- Your Password
- · Your Security Questions and Answers

TDSB's Unique Code:

Once the account is registered, the applicant can apply online Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC) with the following code.

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Costs:

The payment can be made with Visa, Visa Debit, MasterCard or American Express.

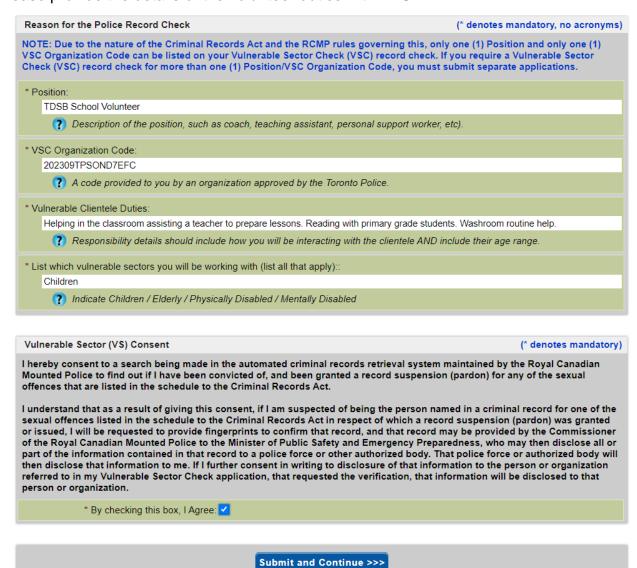
Volunteer - \$26.72

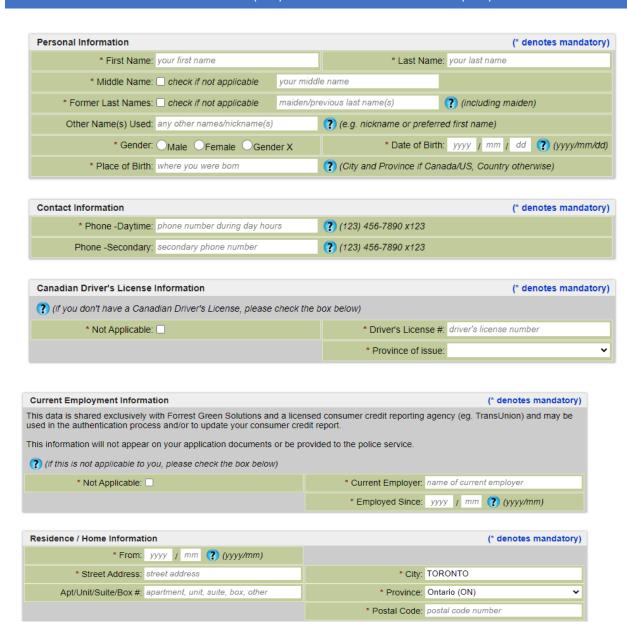
Please log in your account to start the online VSC process.

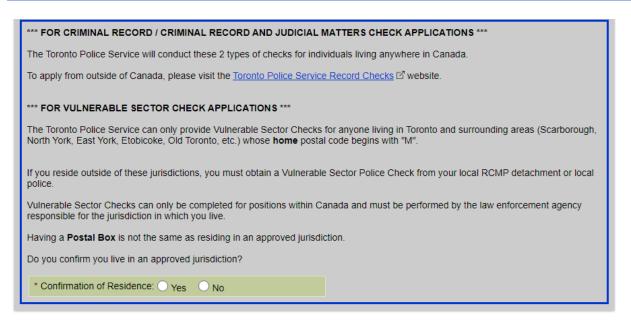


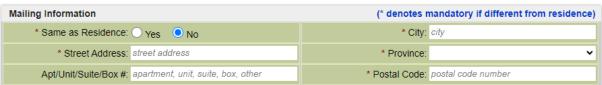
Report Selection / Requirement (ensure your selection is correct, there are no refunds)	
All prices listed are in Canadian funds. Applicable taxes are included.	
Vulnerable Sector Check NOTE - you must be 18 years or older Specifically for those who ARE working or volunteering with Vulnerable people (i.e. children, elderly)	
\$71.72 - Employment	\$26.72 - Volunteer (you receive NO monetary compensation)
\$26.72 - Unpaid Student Placement (you receive NO monetary compensation)	\$71.72 - Other Note: (i.e. Paid Student Placement, Professional Licensing or practicum, etc.)
• \$26.72 - Adoption, Kinship, Family Member, In-Home Placement	
Criminal Record and Judicial Matters Check NOTE - you must be 18 years or older NOT for those who are working or volunteering with Vulnerable people (i.e. children, elderly)	
\$26.72 - Employment / Other	\$0.00 - Volunteer (you receive NO monetary compensation) Note: (Must be accompanied with signed letter on organization's letterhead indicating your volunteering status)

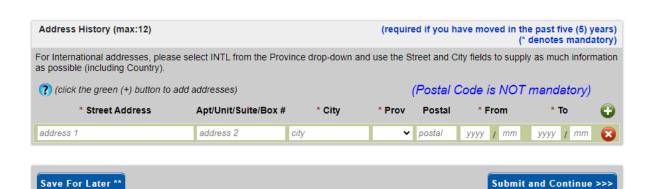
Please provide the details of the volunteer duties with TDSB.







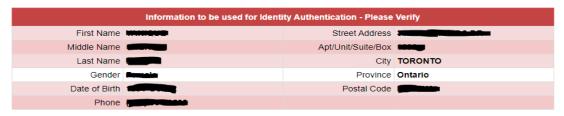




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Please ensure the information below is accurate as it will be used for the Identity Authentication process. Once the application has been paid for, these details cannot be changed, and you can only attempt authentication one (1) time. If it is incorrect, please go back to the Demographics page NOW and make any required updates before the application is locked. Once payment has been submitted, any new or modified information will have to be provided to the police via e-mail to toronto@policesolutions.ca.



Please Note:

You may be contacted by the police to attend and submit your fingerprints.

As part of the vulnerable sector application process, one of the searches we conduct involves a query of the RCMP's national criminal record database. Your information is entered into the system and a search is done with an almost instantaneous response. If your name, birthdate and gender OR your birthdate and gender are the same as someone who has received a records suspension (Pardon) for sexual offences, the RCMP will not permit the police check to proceed without confirming whether or not you are the same person. This is done by taking your fingerprints and electronically transmitting them to the RCMP for comparison to the pardoned record(s). The results are returned to us, and in most cases we can then complete your police check within the timeframe you were advised. These prints are then destroyed.

At one time vulnerable sector searches were based on a name comparison only, however this was removed when it was discovered that individuals could defeat the process by obtaining a legal name change.

Note that a Criminal Record Check does not require a query of the RCMP's pardoned database, and may not involve fingerprinting. Please be certain that a Vulnerable Sector Check check is truly required for your position.

Note that a Criminal Record and Judicial Matters Check does not require a query of the RCMP's pardoned database, and may not involve fingerprinting. Please be certain that a Vulnerable Sector Check check is truly required for your position.

The RCMP charges a fee of \$25.00 for the taking and processing of civil fingerprints if it is required for employment or student placement purposes. This fee is waived if the check is required for a bona fide volunteer position, provided you are able to produce (upon attending for fingerprinting) a letter from the agency or employer certifying that you are in fact applying for a bona fide volunteer position. The letter must be on the agency's letterhead and be signed.

Any fees associated with fingerprinting will be paid at the time you attend Toronto Police Service to have your prints taken.

The primary reason for this is to ensure the protection of those people in our communities who are the most vulnerable.

For additional information, please visit the RCMP FAQ at https://www.rcmp_qrc.gc.ca/en/types-criminal-background-checks 2.

Terms and Conditions

- 1. FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE. PLEASE BE SURE YOUR SELECTION IS CORRECT AND APPROPRIATE.
- 2. Payment does not mean the local police service will provide confirmation a person does not have a criminal record.
- If an individual has selected the incorrect police check, no refund will be provided and the process will need to re-commence from the beginning.
- 4. Additional steps and fees may be applicable such as:
 - a. Physical visit and interview at the police station, where required;
 - Fingerprints to confirm criminal record information when there is a discrepancy between an applicant's declared criminal record and the registered criminal record held at the RCMP National Repository of Criminal Records;
 - c. Fingerprints for Vulnerable Sector Check only, and only then if your birth date and gender are similar to that of a pardoned sex offender. For additional information, please visit the RCMP FAQ at https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/types-criminal-background-checks/
- 5. While the Police Service strives to meet the prescribed turnaround times, there is no guarantee as to the turnaround times:
 - a. Criminal Record Check
 - b. Criminal Record and Judicial Matters Check
 - c. Vulnerable Sector Check
- 6. Each application is treated separately, including fee payment and authentication:
 - a. Report Selection;
 - b. Documentation;
 - c. Demographics;
 - d. Payment;
 - e. Authentication:
 - f Submission
- 7. After payment, you will be presented with our authentication process.
 - a. Should you pass the authentication process, your application will be submitted to the police service, pending any outstanding supporting documentation (if applicable).
 - b. Should you fail or abort the authentication process for any reason, you can download/print your invoice and filled in document. Please refer to emails received from the police for additional information. There will be no refunds, so please be certain you wish to proceed and that you have sufficient personal credit history to be able to utilize this process.
- 8. Incomplete applications (i.e. no identification provided, authentication aborted / failed / not completed or further information requested) and applications requiring in-person attendance will remain in the processing queue for no more than sixty (60) days from the time of initial application. Fees are non-refundable and incomplete applications will be considered 'abandoned', and removed from the processing queue after sixty (60) days.
- The Toronto Police Service will return the results of the check to the <u>applicant only</u>. We will not release the results to a third-party organization or employer under any circumstances.

IMPORTANT:

***Please ensure to opt to share the results with the TDSB when submitting the application. If you opt to share, the results will be sent directly to the TDSB.

Note: If you do not opt to share the results with TDSB, you are responsible for ensuring that the TDSB's Police Reference Check office receives a copy of the results via email at PoliceReferenceCheckOffice@tdsb.on.ca

The applicant should monitor the email (used for registration) with for any messages from TPS while the record check is being processed (check the junk/spam folder).

The **completed record check will be sent electronically** (or by mail in certain circumstances) and the applicant will receive an email notification with more details at that time.

Please download and save a copy. After 30 days, the police record check results will be taken down from the system.