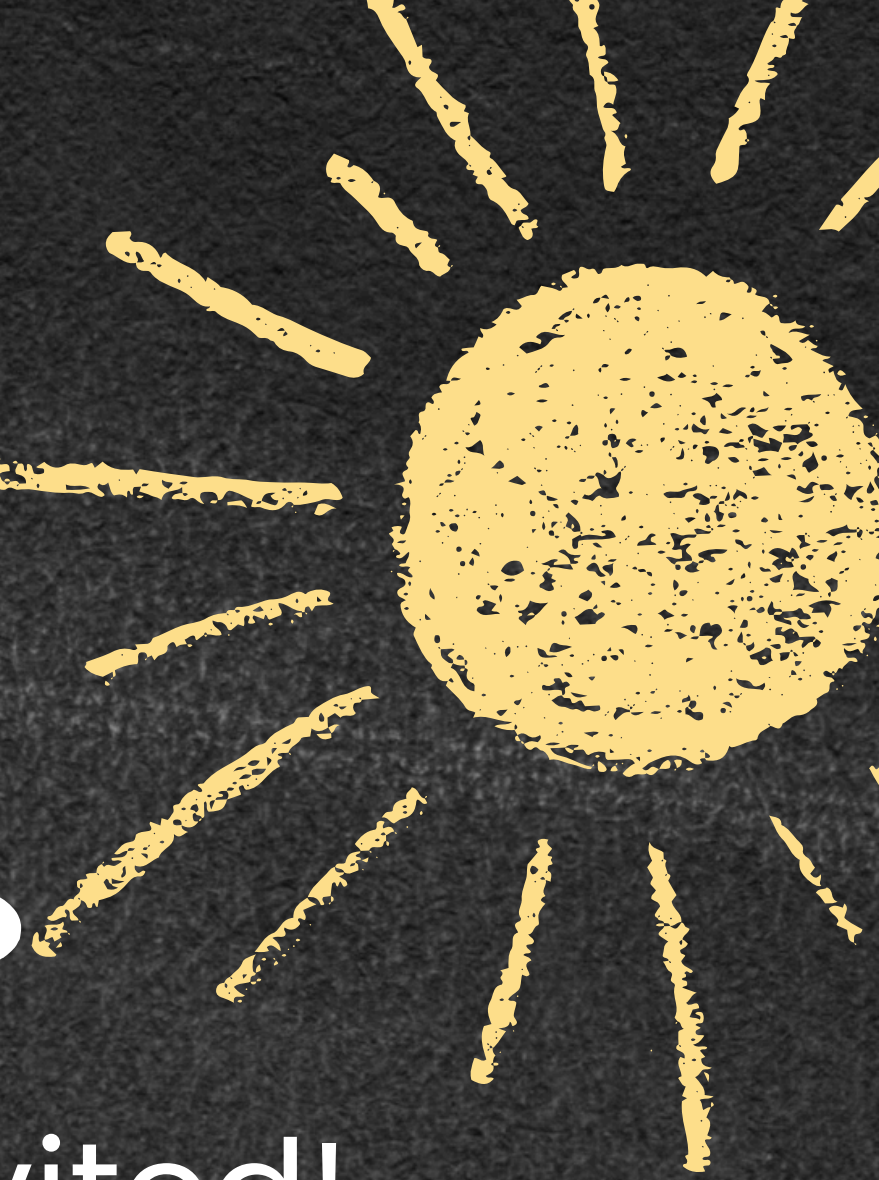




MEET AND GREET WITH GEDSB TRUSTEES



All Education Workers are invited!

Where: Brandi's Kitchen and Bar,
185 King George Rd, Brantford

When: Wednesday, October 8th, 2025
3:30–5:30

Who: All education workers with the GEDSB
(ETFO, OSSTF, CUPE)

Trustees are a critical link between the school board and the community they serve. The Ford Government and the Minister of Education have continually threatened this layer of democracy in our education system. Come and meet our Trustees and let's work together to support these important voices in our system.

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WHAT DO TRUSTEES DO?

What Is at Stake?

Erosion of Local Democracy: School board trustees are democratically elected by local communities to represent their community's interests and values in public education. By removing their power, the government has undermined the democratic process by centralizing the control of boards with unelected officials appointed by the province and located in Toronto.

Lack of Local Accountability: The provincially appointed supervisor is accountable to the Minister of Education, not to the local community. This means parents and community members have no direct say or recourse in major decisions affecting their children's public schools.

Underfunding is the Root Cause: The reality is that the crisis in public education is the result of years of underfunding. Since the Ford government came to power seven years ago, \$6.35 billion has been cut from Ontario public schools.

Political Motive: By taking control of school boards the government effectively silence dissenting voices and push through an agenda, particularly in boards that have been critical of government policy.

Precedent: There is concern that this sets a dangerous precedent where the province can dismiss locally elected officials any time there is a political or financial disagreement.

