

# MODERN DAY SHAME

## Schools Considering Banning Prom

# SHOULD PRINCIPALS BE FIRED?

DURHAM - It appears that a few local school principals have gone rogue. In an era of "WOKEISM", it appears that the mentality has putrified the minds of educators in charge of educating young minds. In this latest show of disrespect for Canadian values, culture and customs. A handful of principals have taken it upon themselves to change a Canadian, custom and tradition in schools. The letter they released indicating the change to terminate 'Prom', night without school board approval has set a wild fire of controversy across the community at large. Many calling for the resignation of those behind this 'Wokeism' mentality. The letter releases makes false and empty assumptions that the reasoning lies on liability and safety. When in reality it lies on accommodation other foreign traditions, customs and culture. Setting aside a long standing Canadian tradition, custom enjoyed by millions of students. The letter released by the schools in question read:

**Subject: Reimagining End-of-Year Celebrations**

Dear Brock, Brooklin and Uxbridge Grade 12 Families,

For many years, our end-of-year celebrations have often included a traditional prom. **We understand that for many, this event carries fond memories and a strong sense of tradition. (CANADIAN TRADITION)**

At the same time, the realities of hosting such a large-scale event have shifted. The growing expectations, **liabilities**, and **risks** connected to school-run proms make it increasingly difficult for schools to continue offering them in the way they once were.

(EXCUSE AND REASON TO CHANGE CANADIAN CUSTOM AND TRADITIONS).

**Beginning this year, our school will be moving away from organizing a formal prom**, as has PPHS for decades and hundreds of high schools across Ontario. This does not mean that students' friendships, accomplishments, and milestones will go unrecognized. **Instead, we will continue**

**to focus on creating inclusive and meaningful year-end activities that bring students together in ways that prioritize safety, dignity, and belonging. (Changing Canadian tradition, to accommodate foreign customs, traditions and culture).**

**We also recognize that some communities may choose to organize their own celebrations outside of the school.**

(COMMUNITIES LIKE THE LGBTQ, MUSLIM AND OTHER).

Families are free to pursue these types of gatherings if they wish, and we respect the diversity of choices that may emerge. We know this shift may be disappointing for some and welcomed by others. What remains constant is our commitment to working alongside students and families to ensure that the conclusion of the school year is marked with joy, recognition, and a strong sense of community.

Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

Will Jovel  
Principal

Brock High School

J. MacKongie  
Julie Mackenzie  
Principal

Brooklin High School

Ay. Lee  
Melissa Lee  
Principal

Uxbridge Secondary School

On line video appeared showing students walking out in protest of this decision.

This letter above was circulated by parents online. The cry appeared to be the same. Shame, Shame, Shame on you educating professionals for compromising a Canadian tradition. For making excuses on why it should be changed and altered to accommodate other communities.

The people's councillor ward 1 Pickering Lisa Robinson had this to say:

Shame on the three high school Principals that tried to cancel prom — a milestone students have earned and look forward to after years of hard work. But because these kids had the courage to walk out of class, stand up and protest,

the decision has been paused so they can have real conversations on how to move forward. . I couldn't be prouder of these students for refusing to just accept it.

A person by the name Peeky 13 @AngieFriesen5, said:

These principals and all that participated in this need to be fired immediately. The teachers and schools in Canada are out of control with unchecked power. Good for these kids, but this cannot stand.

Jake @Jake45922, said:

Canada seems to be going through something surreal, almost like a real-life twilight zone

R e t i r e d M o m @retired38001, said:

Many schools had proms cancelled over a decade ago. My kids included. They fundraise and host their own prom. It's fine.

Pauline @paulinebrown351, said:

PrincipALS without principles

Michelle1234 @Michelle1286971: said:

If they are willing to cancel prom publicly imagine what they are teaching students behind closed doors!

Cleven Darlene said:

I question the reason. This sounds like appeasing some and the majority gives up their traditions.

Fred-Canada Proud☐☐ @Fred75343389. said:

This is what you get with DEI thinking. Or not thinking. My take is "Dumb, Egregious, Ignorant".

Ross Kenney @KenneyRoss75084, said:

There is no retreat with far left DEI climatology wackos. Remember that. The best outcome so far is "A PAUSE"

Mark O'Farrell @MarkOFarrell9, said:

In the most reprehensible news of the day, the school board wants you to know that if you want to celebrate in your own home, they will allow that.

Yes, I'm dead serious. That's what they said.

Scrappy McBuckyball @ScrotieMcB, said:

You fucking snowflakes go apeshit over the strangest things.

Subsequently - a letter was released online by a Julie MacKenzie Principal of an undisclosed school making the following statement:

Last week, we sent a letter advising of plans to rethink traditional end-of-year grade 12 celebrations. We've heard from many students and families about how meaningful these celebrations are. We have also heard the concern around the need for additional conversation with students before implementing this change.

In light of this feedback, we are pausing the planning to consider responsive steps forward. We will be scheduling opportunities to sit down with students and staff to explore meaningful alternatives or adjustments that reflect our shared values and priorities.

We're committed to co-creating a school-based solution that addresses the growing expectations, liabilities, and risks connected to large scale extra-curricular activities, and allows for meaningful year-end activities that prioritize safety, dignity and belonging.

We appreciate the honest feedback and look forward to working together to move forward.

Sincerely, Julie MacKenzie, Principal.

Many blame the poor education system as the reason why higher post education has turned in a very lucrative business.

It is not about education but about turning number. In the lower tiers it is about pleasing the masses and pushing political agenda.

School boards in general support the 'WOKE', mentality and push for a very prejudice forced acceptance of political/social agendas.

Others blame it on the unions as they have become politicized and not reflective of the educators they represent.

Others blame the government for cut on funding.

A new poll has found Durham residents blame the Progressive Conservative government for the lack of vital support services in school and cuts to public education.

The survey was done by

Abacus Dara for CUPE.

"Durham residents know that the biggest problem for education is provincial underfunding; the cuts that hurt students, schools and education workers aren't the fault of local and accountable school boards trustees," said Fred Hahn, a social worker and the president of CUPE Ontario. "In fact, people in Durham value the those who are democratically elected to represent communities' and parents' interests as trustees."

Some Ford government figures have discussed changes that could include eliminating elected school board trustees, and potentially restructuring or eliminating school boards.

In Ontario, public schools are organized into school boards and each board is responsible for managing the schools in its area, including decisions about budgets, staffing, and programs.

School boards are overseen by elected trustees who are chosen by local voters during municipal elections.

The Ontario government sets province-wide funding levels and standards through the Ministry of Education, while school boards and trustees make decisions about how that funding is used locally.

A public opinion survey by Abacus Data included 2,000 voting age Ontario residents, including 172 residents of Durham Region.

This is what it found:

The main problem for Ontario schools is underfunding, not school board trustees [Durham: 58% agree, 18% disagree] (Ontario wide: 57% agree, 18% disagree)

The Ford government has underfunded schools by billions of dollars since they first took power in 2018 [Durham: 45% agree, 20% disagree] (Ontario wide: 51% agree, 18% disagree)

Eliminating trustees will not add educational assistants or early childhood educators (ECEs) to classrooms, reduce class sizes or fix crumbling schools [Durham: 57% agree, 14% disagree] (Ontario wide: 56% agree, 16% disagree)

School board trustees pro-

vide local accountability and give parents and communities a voice in education [Durham: 52% agree, 21% disagree] (Ontario wide: 57% agree, 18% disagree)

The Ford government is manufacturing a controversy about school boards now to distract from their own poor record [Durham: 39% agree, 26% disagree] (Ontario wide: 46% agree, 24% disagree)

It also found that six in ten people have heard about the proposal to eliminate or restructure school boards and trustees, while a majority of people agree that they want the Ford government to increase per-student funding, rather than eliminate school trustees and/or dismantle local school boards.

"The Ford Conservatives have underfunded public education in Ontario by billions of dollars since 2018, and students and the education workers who support them are at a breaking point," said Joe Tigani, an educational assistant and the president of CUPE's Ontario School Board Council of Unions (OSBCU). "I don't think the Conservative MPPs realize the nerve they have hit here. Now is the time to change course, to fund our schools and quell the righteous concerns and anger of parents and education workers."

What ever the perspective, it appears students are the one's left suffering with the aftermath.

One parent stated online. "I am so upset with our school system. At one time going to a Catholic school had it educational perks. Today they are no better than the public system. I appears that it is all about the money.

In this case it appears that the principles are pushing some sort of agenda.

To blame it on security is insane. To blame it on the change in the student panorama is insane.

We are a great nation by being a melting pot. Not by the catering of special interest, communities and or groups. I think these principals need to be disciplined before the whole system falls to this mentality.

