

Ontario Healthy Schools Coalition



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OHSC Mission and Relevance to Student Well-Being

- **Who we are:** Broad-based coalition formed in 2000
- **Vision:** Every child and young person in Ontario will be educated in a healthy school.
- **Mission:**
 - Raise awareness
 - Build knowledge base and capacity
 - Promote inter-ministerial coordination
 - Influence policy development and funding
 - Provide forum to share best practices
- **Relevance:** Settings that promote physical, mental, social & spiritual health enable learning and healthy growth and development

OHSC Initiatives Supporting Student Well-Being

- Survey to OHSC members has gone out re members' needs related to knowledge mobilization
- OHSC Conference
- March 28th Interactive Workshop for 4 CoPs
- Sharing learnings from National School Health Stakeholders Meeting Jan 30-31, 2018 and Shaping the Future 2018 Pan Canadian School Health Summit Jan 31-Feb 3, 2018
- Proposal accepted for Ministry of Ed/Faculties of Ed May 11th Forum “Equity: Complexities in Action”
- Quarterly web/teleconferences

KNSWB Moving OHSC Work Forward

- Biggest challenge to all CoPs is implementation in the real world
- Engaging youth as change agents is crucial
- Opportunity to explore use of the Healthy Schools structure and process to move all CoPs' issues forward
 - **Structure:** Healthy Schools [or School Improvement] Working Group or Team
 - **Process:**
 - Assess strengths/assets and needs
 - Identify priority
 - Develop a comprehensive action plan
 - Implement plan (take action) and evaluate (monitor progress)
 - Celebrate successes and reflect on next steps