

## RURAL AND NORTHERN EDUCATION FUND SPENDING REPORT 2020-21

In June 2017, the Ministry announced new funding, through the Grants for Student Needs (GSN), dedicated for school boards to further improve educational opportunities for students from rural communities.

Funding was allocated to school boards based on the number of rural students and two factors measuring the density of rural student enrolment in the board.

School boards must use the funding for rural education based on local needs and report publicly on how the funding is used, such as:

- Improving programming and support services in rural schools
- Continuing the operation of rural schools; or
- Enhancing student transportation options such as late bus runs and mobile e-learning through tablets or Wi-Fi.

Schools must utilize the funding allocated to the Board using a preliminary school list from the Ministry. The list is comprised of schools in which at least half of their students are from rural communities.

Boards are required to publicly post details of RNEF expenditures as well as those schools in which RNEF funding was spent.

Grand Erie District School Board had unspent funds of \$529,608 from 2019-20 and received \$621,804 for the 2020-21 school year. Grand Erie only utilized \$31,397 of these funds and the unspent funds, totaling \$1,120,015, will be deferred to support eligible expenses for rural schools in the 2021-22 school year.

ELEMENTARY	
Burford ES	1,863
Caledonia Centennial	366
Courtland	2,456
Delhi PS	1,569
Glen Morris PS	1,123
Hagersville ES	2,413
Houghton PS	2,448
Jarvis PS	1,872
Langton PS	3,310
Mapleview ES	365
Oakland-Scotland PS	2,831
Onondaga-Brant PS	515
Rainham Central PS	2,442
Seneca Central	3,204
Teeterville PS	22
Walsh PS	1,832
Waterford PS	2,766

TOTAL \$31,397

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