

Ontario Training Schools

The parties have reached a proposed Settlement Agreement in this case. You can download a copy of the proposed Settlement Agreement [here](#).

Settlement Approval Hearing Scheduled for May 1, 2026

There will be a Settlement Approval Hearing on May 1, 2026 at 10:00am EST (virtually over Zoom and in person at the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, 330 University Ave, Toronto, ON, M5G 1R7), where the Court will decide whether or not to approve the proposed Settlement in the Ontario Training Schools Class Action. When available, a Zoom link for virtual attendance at the Settlement Approval Hearing will be posted on this website.

If you wish to make a claim, you are not required to do anything until after the Settlement is approved. Check our website regularly after the Settlement Approval Hearing to see if the Settlement has been approved. **If you would like to register for updates and to be notified if the Settlement is approved, click [here](#) to provide your email address to the Administrator.**

If approved by the court, the Settlement will provide compensation of up to \$100,000 to eligible former Training Schools residents who experienced certain harms, including physical and sexual assault and placement in solitary confinement for certain periods of time.

Who is included in this Settlement

The “**Class**” or “**Class Members**” includes all persons who were alive as of December 8, 2015 who resided at any of the following institutions during the time periods set out below (the “Training Schools”):

- Pine Ridge School, Bowmanville (formerly The Ontario Training School for Boys) between January 1, 1953 and its closure in 1979;
- Cold Springs Forestry Camp between January 1, 1963 and its closure in 1976;
- Hillcrest School, Guelph (formerly known as Ontario Training School for Boys, Guelph) between January 1, 1953 and its closure in 1978;
- Brookside School, Cobourg (formerly Ontario Training School for Boys, Galt, and Ontario Training School for Boys, Northumberland and Ontario Training School for Boys, Cobourg) between January 1, 1953 and April 2, 1984;
- Trelawney House, Port Bolster (formerly known as Ontario Training School for Girls, Port Bolster Trelawney House) between August 1959 and its closure in 1973;
- Kawartha Lakes School, Lindsay (formerly Ontario Training School for Girls, Lindsay) between 1962 and its closure in 1979;
- Glendale School, Simcoe (formerly Ontario Training School for Boys, Simcoe) between 1962 and July 30, 1974;
- White Oaks Village, Hagersville (formerly Ontario Training School for Boys, Hagersville (Junior School) between 1966 and its removal from the regulations under the training schools legislation in 1978;
- Sprucedale School, Hagersville (formerly Ontario Training School for Boys, Hagersville (Senior School) between 1966 and April 2, 1984;
- Cecil Facer School, Sudbury between 1971 and April 2, 1984;

- Project DARE – Portage Lake between June 1971 and 1976;
- Project DARE – Wendigo Lake, South River (formerly Project DARE Wendigo Lake) between 1972 and April 2, 1984;
- Syl Apps Youth Centre (formerly Ontario Training School for Girls, Galt (Reception and Diagnostic Centre); Reception and Diagnostic Centre, Galt; Reception, Diagnostic Treatment Centre, Galt; and the Reception and Assessment Centre, Oakville) between 1958 and April 2, 1984.

The Class does **not** include persons who resided at: (1) Grandview Training School, (2) St. Joseph's Training School for Boys, (3), St. John's Training School, (4) Ontario Training School for Girls, Toronto; (5) Central Wardship Planning Unit; (6) Elmcrest School; and (7) Champlain School.

Your options right now

If you **support** the proposed Settlement, you do not have to do anything at this time. If the Court approves the Settlement and you are an eligible Class Member, you will be able to submit a claim for compensation

If you would like to **object** to the proposed Settlement or Class Counsel Fees, please contact Class Counsel at 1-866-860-9364 or by email at trainingschoolsclassaction@kmlaw.ca for further information. The deadline to object to the proposed Settlement or Class Counsel Fees is March 31, 2026.

More information

More details about the proposed Settlement Agreement are available on the Administrator's website www.TrainingSchoolsClassAction.com, and summarized in the [short-form](#) and [long-form](#) Notice of Settlement Approval Hearing. The Administrator can be reached toll-free at 1-877-239-4879.