

# From Newcomer to Confident Learner

## A JOURNEY OF GROWTH

In September 2023, we welcomed a 14-year-old newcomer to Canada who joined our program with her toddler. Initially, the student spoke little to no English, but with the support of our dedicated school team, she was able to access daycare for her daughter. Our Spanish-speaking school counselor played a crucial role in assisting TDSB teachers by providing translations, allowing the student to fully engage in her learning.

The student attended classes every day and worked diligently, ultimately earning credits by the end of the year. She not only made new friends but also created a list of community resources to help her and her family meet their needs. Over the year, she gained significant self-confidence and is now thriving in Canada.

