

MEET OUR MOUNTAIN MEADOWS PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC) EXECUTIVE . . .

What is the PAC?

The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is the parent voice at Mountain Meadows. All parents of the school have the right to belong to our PAC.

There are many ways to be involved in your child's education – our PAC is one way to achieve this! Executive members of the PAC can tell you about different ways you can volunteer for the school.

Mountain Meadows PAC has historically been involved in contributing to the school environment in many ways. Some examples include:

- Organizing Mountain Meadows Community activities for our families. Generally, this is the schedule of PAC organized activities at the school:
 1. October: Book Fair. Children are exposed to fabulous books in a book fair designed to “set the tone” for a great year of learning!
 2. December: Christmas Fair. Children get to “shop” for their loved ones while fundraising toward other great school activities/equipment.
 3. March: “Grown-up” Activity. The “big” kids get together for a night of fun and festivities while supporting fundraising goals for school activities. Previous nights have included bowling, comedy, music, and dancing!
 4. April: Jog-a-Long. Children get active with daily running after school to celebrate the spring season and track their laps.
 5. May: Family Night. Share in the spirit of family for a night out together. Previous events have been magic shows, outdoor movie nights, etc.
- Hot Lunch Program. Nutritious snacks and lunches are organized by our PAC members that are served monthly to participating students.
- Parent Education Nights. Addressing the educational needs of Mountain Meadows' families. Previous presentations have included the topic of healthy sexuality.
- Participation in District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) and British Columbia Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (BCCPACS) so that Mountain Meadows is linked with the greater district and provincial parent issues in the school system.
- Support and advice to parents who need help advocating for students.
- Parent input into the annual school plan via the School Planning Council.
- Recycling, Parking lot, Traffic and Safety, Emergency Preparedness programs in place designed to teach the Mountain Meadows Community about environmental issues, responsibility, and general safety promotion.
- Major fundraising goal drive through a variety of additional programs. Last year the PAC was able to purchase our new “Sports Court” to replace the K-1 playground. The fundraising goals are usually identified early in the school year, so please offer any suggestions you may have at our first meeting on September 15th!

Our PAC is important. It offers wonderful opportunities to support learning, creativity, social development, inclusion, and achievement. We always welcome and need more support from our families. Involvement can be through attending the PAC meetings (please see attached notice), contributing to the fundraisers, attending the events, and/or contributing your time and expertise to committee involvement. We recognize and appreciate the full spectrum of contribution from our families and look forward to the opportunity to participate together in our school!!

EXECUTIVE

"We look forward to working with everyone and having a really great school year!!"



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Note: Mountain Meadows PAC is in need of a secretary, so if anyone is interested, please attend our first meeting so we can nominate you!

Each class needs two parent representatives to help with coordination of class events and information dissemination. If you are interested in being a class rep for your child's class, please contact Elena Campbell at elenacampbell@shaw.ca

School Website: <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/mountainmeadows>