



Hazel Trembath Elementary PAC Newsletter

RISE UP TOGETHER

HAZEL REBUILD ANNOUNCED!

Message from Michael Thomas, Port Coquitlam School Trustee and SD43 Board Chair

As Port Coquitlam School Trustee and SD43 Board Chair, I am thrilled to announce that we have received notice from the Minister of Infrastructure of the capital plan APPROVAL for the replacement of HAZEL TREMBATH Elementary School as part Budget 2025. Some details remain while we await the formal approval letter, but this is a significant win for our community, following the tragic fire that destroyed the school in October 2023.

We know that schools are at the heart of our communities, so we have spent the last 18 months advocating non-stop to the Province to get Hazel rebuilt. There must be a better process for extra-ordinary situations like this. Families shouldn't be left in limbo when disaster strikes their neighbourhood school, but that's a conversation for another day. Today we'll just celebrate this win for our community!

A heartfelt thank you to all the Parents for their patience. Thank you to our community and partners like the City of Port Coquitlam for their advocacy and support. Thank you as well to MLA's Mike Farnworth, Jennifer Blatherwick, Jodie Wickens and former MLA Fin Donnelly for your constant support of SD43, as well as Minister's Ma and Beare for supporting this important project moving forward.

Last but not least, thank you to our Hazel Students and Staff for your resilience and dedication, which has been truly inspiring!

The PAC Executive would also like to thank the parents and community for their advocacy, and also our friends in the media by keeping this in the spotlight and ensuring that our voices were heard. But the advocacy doesn't stop here.

To bring our kids and teachers back into our community as soon as possible, we must continue to put pressure on the school board for a quick start and completion to the rebuild of Hazel Trembath. This journey isn't over, and your voices will help take us over the finish line. Visit rebuildhazeltrembath.com for more details on the rebuild as they become available.

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PAC MINUTES

Download and review the minutes from the February 2025 PAC Meeting here!

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NEXT PAC MEETING

APRIL 8, 2025
7:00pm

Citadel Middle School
1265 Citadel Dr.
Port Coquitlam

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TREASURER'S REPORT

CLICK HERE to take a look at the PAC's financial summary for the month of February.

FUNDRAISING UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS



Our popular Spring Family Photo sessions with portraits taken by [Kim Culbert Photography](#) will take place on May 31st and June 1st. Booking forms were sent home before spring break and need to be returned by May 22nd.



**June 14th, 2025
6:00pm to 11:00pm**

The inaugural [PoCo Mayor's Charity Gala](#) is a unique opportunity to come together and support vital initiatives in our town. This event directly supports the Port Coquitlam Professional Firefighters Charitable Society and their Healthy Breakfast and Snack Program in our local elementary schools.

Support the folks that have supported us throughout the years.

Tickets go on sale in April

GARDENWORKS Fundraiser

Get ready for spring by stocking up on GARDENWORKS gift cards!

Purchase gift cards for yourself, your friends and family and with each 30 or \$50 purchase, Hazel Trembath's PAC gets a portion of the sale.

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- ❖ For each \$30 gift card purchased, the PAC receives \$5
- ❖ For each \$50 gift card purchased, the PAC receives \$10!

Order your gift cards using [this online order form](#), or by emailing PACHazelTrembath@gmail.com. Perfect gift for Mother's Day! Payments can be made via e-transfer to the Hazel Trembath PAC using the above email address.

Easter Cookie Fundraiser

Order some delightful easter cookies fresh from Designer Cookies and raise funds for Hazel Trembath's PAC at the same time!



These **HUGE** cookies are \$6 each including tax and come with a marker containing edible ink so you can customize the cookies for those special egg-hunters.

Place your order through [Munch-a-Lunch](#) before April 11th. Cookies will be delivered to the school for kids to bring them home on April 17th.

Fundraising efforts like this help raise funds for school-wide enhancements and experiences.

Next year, some of those enhancements include skating, tennis and drumming activities for the entire school!



EXCEL Kid's Movie Night Out

Register for the the Kids Night Out fundraiser on **Saturday April 5th** as we partner with Excel Martial Arts

to offer kids dinner, a movie and more. Tickets are \$25 per child with partial proceeds going to the Grade 5 committee. [Click Here to Register](#)

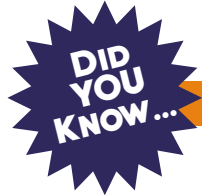
April Hot Lunch

The next Hot Lunch is on Thursday **April 24th** with food supplied by **Noodlebox!** Ordering will open on [Munch-a-Lunch](#) on March 31st.

Orders must be placed by midnight on April 16th



May 23rd...



with Megan MacDonald

...without a full PAC, we miss out on funding?

Without a full PAC Executive, Hazel Trembath would not be eligible for the Provincial Gaming Grant that directly benefits our kids.

The Provincial Grant, funded by revenue gained from commercial gaming, is based on the number of students enrolled at a school (prior year's enrolment is used) and requires a PAC to have a full complement of Executive Members. This grant directly funds costly expenses, like buses for school field trips and other extracurricular activities that would otherwise need to be paid for by PAC fundraising or directly by parents. Isn't it nice to see \$0 costs when field trips are posted to School Cash Online?

Stay tuned as we approach our April General Meeting where the call for nominees/volunteers for the 2025-2026 school year PAC Executive positions will be made.

Month At A Glance - April 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	SCHOOLS REOPENING 31	TRACK ATTACK 1	2	3		KID'S NIGHT OUT 5 FUNDRAISER 5 CLICK TO REGISTER
6		PAC MEETING Citadel Middle School 7:00 pm 8	9	SPIRIT DAY 10	Easter Cookie Orders Due 11 DESIGNER COOKIES.ca	12
13	14	15	Como Lake Relays	A Day at the TROPICS 17	Good Friday 18 NO SCHOOL	19
20	Easter MONDAY NO SCHOOL 21	22	CLASS PHOTOS 23	HOT LUNCH 24 NOODLEBOX	NO SCHOOL 25 Teacher Professional Development	26
27	28	29	Student Led Conferences EARLY DISMISSAL	Student Led Conferences EARLY DISMISSAL		3

GARDENWORKS
April Orders Due
April 25

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