



# Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Open House

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# PAC 101

- DPAC Meeting – Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024
- 6:30pm-8:30PM

- ▶ **What is PAC**
- ▶ **What is DPAC**
- ▶ **Presentations from DPAC representatives**
- ▶ **Resources**



# What is PAC?

- **PAC - Parent Advisory Committee**

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All parents  
automatically  
are in PAC

02

Collective  
voice of  
parents

03

Not solely  
focused on  
fundraising



# What is PAC?

## **Levels of PAC:**

- School PAC (us)
- DPAC (District PAC)
- BCCPAC  
(BC Confederation of Parent  
Advisory Councils)

# What is DPAC?

## **DPAC - District Parent Advisory Committee**

- PAC addresses issues at the school level.
- DPAC handles district-level concerns.
  - Problem cannot be resolved at the school.
  - Suggestions for other schools.



# What is DPAC?

## DPAC Responsibilities

- Acts as a communication channel between schools and the school board on:
  - Educational matters.
  - Decisions impacting schools.
  - Overall school budget issues.
- Provides guidance and education for parents.

# What is DPAC?

## DPAC Goals 2025

- Enhance representation from schools.
- Feature student speakers from grades 10-12.
- Presentations from principals and district-level officials.
- Foster networking among parents to advocate for one another.
- Make DPAC meetings more interactive, with panel discussions and open forums.

# What is BCCPAC?

## **BCCPAC - British Columbia Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils**

- Amplify parent voices across the province and serve as a liaison between DPAC and the Ministry of Education.



# DPAC Presentations

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- **Constitution vs Bylaw**
- **Key Roles**
- **Effective Meetings**

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- **Constitution:** Governs the PAC's name and mission statement.
- **Bylaws:** Govern individual member responsibilities.

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## **Mandatory PAC Roles**

- Chair - Keeps meetings on track, agenda adherence, provide opportunities for all to speak
- Treasurer - Custodian of PAC funds, monitor and track finances, disburse funds, report on finances each meeting
- DPAC Representative - Liaison between PAC and DPAC
- Secretary – takes attendance, keeps minutes, counts votes

## **Other Roles**

- Volunteer Coordinator, Communication Coordinator, Hot Lunch Coordinator, Parent Education Coordinator, Members-at-Large



# DPAC Presentations

## How to Run an Effective Meeting

- Encourage principal attendance.
- Offer Hybrid meetings.
- Showcase pictures and invite guest speakers or clubs.
- Provide childcare during meetings.

# Resources

- **Admin AP 380 Form:** Outlines the process for resolving student or parent school concerns.
- **SD 43 Family of Schools:** Comprises 70 schools in the district, organized into zones, outlining the appropriate contacts for concerns.

Questions?  
Comments?  
Feedback?