# **Blueberry School Council Notes**

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# FALL IS PROOF THAT CHANGE IS BEAUTIFUL

# School Council DID YOU KNOW?

- 1) You can attend a School Council Meeting any time you want? You are not stuck forever.
- 2) There is no 'membership' or individual invitation required.
- 3) You can join in person or virtually.
- 4) You can bring your child.
- 5) You are not required to commit to anything.
- 6) You are welcome to ask questions, share ideas or raise concerns.
- You have more input into the education and well being of your children at school than you might think you do.

## 2023 ~ 2024 School Council Meeting Dates

November 20<sup>th</sup> January 15<sup>th</sup> February 12<sup>th</sup> March 18<sup>th</sup> April 15<sup>th</sup> May 13<sup>th</sup>



#### **UPCOMING MEETING**

November School Council Meeting: Monday, November 20th, 6:30 pm Join In Person or Virtually

> Virtual Link Here: School Council Virtual Link

"Connecting home and school makes us a great community of learners."



# RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

Blueberry School Council met this month to discuss parking lot congestion, parking arrangement and safety concerns. Thank you to those who brought forth concerns and suggestions. We appreciated the open conversation. These concerns were well received by Administration and meetings have been scheduled to address concerns.

Blueberry School is working on a method through which Daily Announcements can be shared with you at home. Information will be shared when a system is set up. Be sure you are accessing PowerSchool for you children on a regular basis. You are able to see attendance, class marks, assignment marks and comments from teachers. Note: PowerSchool reporting differs by grades.

#### **NOTES FROM THE COUNCIL**

2023~2024 Council Members:

Chair ~ Erin Craig
Vice Chair ~ Jen Richens
Secretary ~ Vacant Postion
Members at Large ~ Sarah Corker & Heather
Bader-Kopp

School Council Chair Email Address: blueberry.scchair@partner.psd.ca

**Link to the School Council Minutes:** 

https://blueberry.psd.ca/about/documents#category/18139

#### **THANK YOU**

To all of the Volunteers and Candy Donors that made Monster Mash 2023 a SPOOKTACULAR event!

To the student of community for their meaningful participation in Orange Shirt Day.

# WAYS TO HELP

We would love to welcome Guest Speakers to School Council Meetings. If you have a topic or guest idea, please email the council chair to share!

We are looking for a School Council Secretary. The role requires typing the minutes during each council meeting into a template! Please join the October meeting if this is something you may be interested in.

Rotary Club Members support bag lunchs for students in need at PSD schools every week. In the winter driving is a concern for the elderly members. If anyone can help with picking up lunches from the Rotary and dropping them off at schools during the week the help would be greatly apprecaited. Please contact: Diane at 780-963-4605

### OUR NEXT AREA OF FOCUS

On November 20<sup>th</sup>, School Council will be discussing:

**Attendance** 

with

Associate
Superintendent
Dr. Meg Miskolzie

We are looking forward to welcoming Dr. Miskolzie.

Let's discuss:

- → what are the different types of absences
- $\rightarrow$  when is attendance a concern
- → what does 1 day off of school as week actually look like
- → how does attendance impact a childs wellbeing and academics
- → challenges faced by families when encouraging children to attend
- → barriers to attending, what does the school need to know or understand
- → how can the school help meet families where they are at

Please join in person or virtually!