

PAC

Annual General Meeting

October 20th 6:30 p.m.
All welcome!

WHAT IS THE PAC?

The PAC, or Parent Advisory Council, is **the officially recognized collective voice of parents of their school**. All parents and guardians are included; there is no need to “join”.

A PAC, through its elected officers, may advise the school board, the principal and staff of the school respecting any matter relating to the education of the students and the school (www.bccpac.ca).

The PAC is run by an executive, which is elected each year. Elections this year will take place at the Annual General Meeting, on Thursday, October 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

The executive positions are: president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary, and DPAC representative. Along with executive positions there will be opportunities for members-at-large, as well as (new for this year!) a social media coordinator.

We are now seeking nominations for all executive positions for the 2020-2021 school year.

Fun fact: The West Langley PAC is a registered charity, and we are required to have an official executive to maintain this status and apply for grants

WHAT CAN A PAC DO?

advise the school principal and staff on parents' views

organize PAC activities/events

provide parent education

encourage parent involvement in the school

communicate with parents

assist parents in accessing the system

advocate on behalf of parents and students

provide financial support for the goals of the PAC

participate in the District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) and the BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (BCCPAC)

(www.bccpac.ca)

Some benefits of getting involved are connecting with other parents/guardians, supporting the school community, being “first to know” about exciting things happening at West Langley, and having an opportunity to directly impact areas you care about (technology, the arts, inclusion, literacy...).



Election 2020-2021

HOW DO I NOMINATE SOMEONE FOR A EXECUTIVE POSITION? WHAT WILL THE ELECTION LOOK LIKE?

You can nominate yourself, or another person, by e-mailing the Nominations Committee through Andrea Briggeman, last year's PAC vice-president, at canucks1fan@shaw.ca. Nominations must be received by Wednesday, October 7th, and candidates will be announced on Thursday, October 8th.

Elections will take place at the AGM (Annual General Meeting) on Thursday, October 22nd, at 6:30 p.m. Voting will be by secret ballot. Any parent/guardian with children registered at West Langley may vote.

I'M NOT INTERESTED IN AN EXECUTIVE POSITION, CAN I STILL BE INVOLVED?

YES! Here are some options:

- Follow West Langley PAC on Facebook
- Watch for PAC news in the Lion Lowdown (school newsletter);
- Volunteer to be part of a committee, e.g. fundraising committee, social committee;
- Watch for other volunteer opportunities offered by the PAC;
- Share your ideas and feedback!
- Attend monthly PAC meetings:

Thursday, October 20, 2020 at 6:30
Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at 6:30
Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 6:30
Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 6:30
Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 6:30
Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 6:30

WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENT POSITIONS AND THEIR ROLES?

President – Coordinates PAC affairs in cooperation with other executive members. Leads all meetings (unless unable to attend).

Vice President – Learns duties and responsibilities of the president in order to lead meetings in his or her absence.

Secretary – Records minutes of regular and executive meetings (i.e. takes notes about what is discussed/decided). Maintains a Minutes Book.

Treasurer – Custodian of funds. Disburses money according to the budget and notes transactions in the treasurer's records

D.P.A.C. Rep – Attends monthly District Parent Advisory Council meetings as a representative of our school and reports back to our PAC.

If you are interested in running for an executive position and/or have more questions, please e-mail the Nominations Committee through Andrea Briggeman (last year's PAC vice-president) at canucks1fan@shaw.ca.

For any other questions not related to nominations and the election see below:

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