



# Dundas Valley Secondary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians/Caregivers,

Every school in Ontario is required to have a School Council to work collaboratively with the principal to improve student achievement and to enhance accountability of the school with parents. Information about School Councils can be found on our school's website using this [link](#).

We welcome all parents/guardians/caregivers who are willing to volunteer their time to participate on our DVSS School Council for the 2023-24 school year. DVSS School Council will meet throughout the year to discuss school-wide interests and to make recommendations to the principal. This year, DVSS School Council will decide at their first meeting if future meetings will continue to occur both in-person and remotely. To join the first DVSS School Council meeting remotely, the link can be found [here](#).

**School Councils must hold annual elections to identify voting members** and various positions such as School Council Chair. Elected members vote on School Council matters and represent the group's ideas and advisory suggestions for the Principal. You do not have to be an elected member of School Council to attend meetings. All meetings are open to all DVSS parents/guardians/guardians who wish to attend.

To declare your interest to become an elected member on DVSS School Council, please complete the nomination form. You may also nominate another parent/guardian/caregiver of a student at our school to become an elected DVSS School Council member. **All nominations forms must be received by Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at noon.** Please email nomination forms to [dundasvalley@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:dundasvalley@hwdsb.on.ca) or drop them into the school at the main office.

You must attend the meeting on **Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm** in order to be elected to DVSS School Council. Our first meeting of the school year will be held on **Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm** and is available in-person in the DVSS Learning Commons and remotely, as mentioned above.

Please consider joining us on DVSS School Council as an elected or general member. School Council involvement is a great way to support your child's education and we look forward to working together.

Sincerely,

Brian Lennox  
Interim Principal