



# Frank Panabaker Elementary School

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September 16, 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

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 here: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/school-councils-guide-members>

We welcome all parents/guardians who are willing to volunteer their time to participate on our School Council for the 2022-2023 school year. School Councils meet on a regular basis to discuss school-wide interests and to make recommendations to the principal. Meetings may be held virtually or in-person.

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. Please note that you do not have to be an elected member of School Council to attend meetings. All meetings are open to all parents/guardians who wish to attend.

To declare your interest to become an elected member on School Council, please complete the nomination form shared via email. You may also nominate another parent/guardian of a student at our school to become an elected School Council Member. All nomination forms must be submitted by October 3, 2022 at 12:00 pm. Our first meeting of this school year will be held virtually on **October 4, 2022, at 8:00 pm** via MS Teams. The nomination forms and the link to the meeting will be shared via email to all Frank Panabaker families. Please note that you must attend the meeting on October 4, 2022, in order to be elected to Council.

Please consider joining us on 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,

Mike de Maria, Co-Chair  
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Caitlin Evans, Principal  
Catherine Calvano, Vice-Principal