



# Norwood Park Elementary School

PROUD SCHOOL OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

165 Terrace Drive  
Hamilton, Ontario L9A 2Z2  
Phone: 905.575.9808  
Fax: 905.575.0098

EMAIL: [norwoodpark@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:norwoodpark@hwdsb.on.ca)  
PRINCIPAL: Rhonda Moules  
VICE-PRINCIPAL: Suzana Milinovich  
[www.hwdsb.on.ca/norwoodpark](http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/norwoodpark)

## What is "School Council"?

School councils provide advice to the principal and school board. Every school must have a school council, and members include parents, the principal, a teacher, a student (optional), a non-teaching staff member and a community representative. The majority of members must be parents, and the chair must be a parent. Principals do not vote on school council decisions.

School councils are governed by Ontario Regulation 612, which sets out the purpose, membership and election requirements for school councils. Under section 2(1), the purpose of the school council is "through the active participation of parents, to improve pupil achievement and to enhance the accountability of the education system to parents." School councils are responsible for:

- Sharing information with parents and the community, and seeking their input on matters the council is discussing.
- Providing advice to the principal and school board on issues such as school year calendars, strategies to improve school performance, codes of conduct and dress, curriculum priorities, safe arrival programs, community use of schools and community programs provided at the school, selection criteria for principals and board policies that will affect the school.
- Many school councils are also actively involved in organizing social events for the school community and fundraising events.

It is a great way to keep up with what is happening in the school. You can also contact the school council if you have questions about how to get involved at the school or if you are looking for information from a parent perspective. Visit our school website for meeting dates and minutes.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL VOTING MEMBER NOMINATION 2019-2020

Council meetings are open to everyone in the community, so you do not have to be a voting member to attend or speak at any of our meetings. Meetings are generally held once a month on a Tuesday evening at the school, from 6:00pm-7:30pm. Meeting schedule will be determined at the first council meeting.

If you are interested in being a voting member of the School Council for Norwood Park please fill out the attached nomination form. You may also self-nominate. Voting members must be a custodial parent/caregiver of a student attending Norwood and must commit to attending monthly meetings regularly for the entire school year. HWDSB employees must disclose this in their profile.

If you wish to be a voting member we ask that this be returned to the office by Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>.



# Norwood Park Elementary School

PROUD SCHOOL OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

165 Terrace Drive  
Hamilton, Ontario L9A 2Z2  
Phone: 905.575.9808  
Fax: 905.575.0098

EMAIL: [norwoodpark@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:norwoodpark@hwdsb.on.ca)  
PRINCIPAL: Rhonda Moules  
VICE-PRINCIPAL: Suzana Milinovich  
[www.hwdsb.on.ca/norwoodpark](http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/norwoodpark)

## School Council Nomination Form

The first School Council Meeting of the year will be Tuesday, September 24th at 6pm. Nominations and elections for executive positions will take place at this meeting. If you wish to be a voting member on the 2019-2020 School Council please complete and return to the school office by Tuesday September 24. (please print).

### Please check the appropriate box:

I would like to declare my candidacy for an acclaimed or elected position as Parent/Guardian Representative on Norwood Park's School Council for the 2019-2020 school year.

School Council Chair       School Council Co-Chair

School Council Secretary    School Council Treasurer

I would like to be a voting member of Norwood Park School Council (25 maximum). I would like to be considered for the position of Community Representative on Norwood Park's School Council for the 2019-2020 school year as I do not have children attending this school.

I am an employee of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PREFERRED PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CHILDREN & GRADE:

\_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, I acknowledge agree to conduct myself in accordance with the expectations outlined for a member of school council. I recognize that a maximum of 25 parents are permitted to comprise the Council of this school and that by submitting this form it does not guarantee my candidacy.

Lastly, I permit my above personal information to be included on any school council membership information that will be circulated within council.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Optional: Please use the space on the back to tell us about yourself, including your thoughts and goals for the Council of this school.