September 9, 2024

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 willing to volunteer to participate on our School Council for the 2024-25 school year.

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 of School Council, please complete the nomination form below. You may also nominate another parent/guardian of a student at our school to become an elected School Council member. All nominations forms must be received by September 20, 4 pm. Our first meeting of this school year will be held on September 25 at 6:30 pm in the school library. You must attend this meeting 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,

Ateeka Khan Ryan Benech School Council Co-Chairs (2023-2024)

Charon Buck Principal

## Winona SCHOOL COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM - 2024-2025

## **SELF-NOMINATION**

I would like to join School Council as an elected member. I understand that an elected position requires more involvement and responsibilities than a general member does. I understand that this role involves attending School Council meetings. My Name: \_\_\_\_\_ My E-mail: I am interested in serving in one of the following School Council roles (please circle): CHAIR CO-CHAIR TREASURER SECRETARY MEMBER AT LARGE **OTHER** I am the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_\_ [student name] who is currently registered in Grade \_\_\_\_ at Winona. I am an employee of HWDSB (please circle): YES NO **NOMINATION OF ANOTHER CANDIDATE** Nominator's Name: Nominee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominee's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominee's Email: Suggested School Council roles for the nominee (please circle): CHAIR CO-CHAIR TREASURER SECRETARY MEMBER AT LARGE OTHER The nominee is the parent/guardian of , who is currently registered in Grade \_\_\_\_ at Winona .

Please complete and return this form to the school office (winona@hwdsb.on.ca) by September 20, 4 pm.

NO

Is the nominee an employee of HWDSB? (please circle): YES