



Yorkview Elementary School

PROUD SCHOOL OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

One of the most effective and rewarding ways that parents/guardians can get involved in their children's learning is by being active in their school council. It gives you the opportunity to voice your opinions on school issues and decisions on behalf of parents and community members in your school community. Research shows that parental involvement is one of the most significant factors contributing to a child's success in school. Their active participation in school activities improves student achievement, increases school attendance and decreases student dropout. Students succeed when parents have a positive attitude about the importance of a good education. **Our first school council meeting will take place on September 23rd 2016 at 6:30pm in the school staff room. Everyone is welcome to attend, whether you would like to serve on the council or not.**

The Role of a School Council

School councils have a legislated role and are there to ensure the best possible education for students. Traditionally school councils are comprised of democratically elected representatives of our parent community. Together, they:

- focus on student learning and the best interest of all students,
- provide a forum through which parents and other members of school communities can contribute to improving student achievement and school performance,
- make recommendations to the school principal and the Board on any matter they see impacting accountability and academic excellence and;
- serve as a communication and information channel between the school and community
- assist parents with meeting other parents within their school community

School Council Elections

Parents or guardians of a student enrolled in a Hamilton-Wentworth District school can vote in an election and run for a position or nominate someone else. The nomination sheets are attached. **Please return forms to the school by September 16th.** Every year, the school council will elect a chair from the parent members. The chair is responsible for facilitating meetings and accurately representing the school council's position on issues. The council may also elect a co-chair, vice-chair, secretary or treasurer.

I hope to see you at our first meeting.

Ms. Michelle Rodney

Principal



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SCHOOL COUNCIL PARENT NOMINATION FORM YORKVIEW PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- I wish to declare my candidacy for a position as a parent/guardian representative on the “Yorkview School Council”

NAME:

ADDRESS:

Home Phone: _____ **Business Phone:** _____

Email: _____

I am the parent/guardian of: _____
who is currently registered at Yorkview School.

I am an employee of the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board
_____ **yes** _____ **no**

Candidate’s Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please return to the main office or fax a copy to (905) 628-8234 attention Michelle Rodney by Monday September 16th. You will be notified when your nomination has been received.



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SCHOOL COUNCIL PARENT NOMINATION FORM YORKVIEW PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- I wish to nominate _____ for a position as a parent/guardian representative on the “Yorkview School Council”

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

Email: _____

I am the parent/guardian of: _____
who is currently registered at Yorkview School.

_____ (candidate) is the parent/guardian of:
_____ who is currently registered at Yorkview
School.

The person I have nominated is an employee of the Hamilton Wentworth
District School Board _____ yes _____ no

Nominator’s Signature: _____

Date: _____

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