



Bev Facey Community High

School Council

2014 – 2015

What is a School Council?

School Council is made up of parents, the school principal, a teacher representative, a student representative and a representative of the community. School Council's main roles are to advise the principal/school board on policies and practices of the school/school board, to work together with the school to support and enhance student learning, be a source of information for parents and to invite input.

What Kind of Work Does the School Council Complete?

School Council members work together to facilitate development of a common vision for the school, to enhance communication, planning and resource allocation. School Council provides advice and consultation to the school principal regarding priorities, programs and policies that are needed to meet and enhance student learning. School Council does not manage the day-to-day operations of the school.

In recent years we have advised on the school's communication plan, gathered parent input through surveys, helped redesign the registration manual and website, provided a staff appreciation coffee break, sponsored Learning Clicks presentations, and sponsor a School Council Award. School Council cooperates with other school councils by sharing information, ideas, and by providing advice and information to EIPS and Alberta Education.

Who Can be a Member of School Council?

All parents who have a child attending Bev Facey Community High School are automatically members of the School Council.

The School Council executive is formed each September. Parents are encouraged to participate in School Council. It is an excellent way to ensure the school, parents and community are connected.

Who Can Attend School Council Meetings?

All parents are welcome to attend School Council meetings. You do not need to be an executive member to attend and regular attendance isn't required.

When Does School Council Meet?

The BF School Council meets 8 times per year. Typically School Council meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7 pm in the conference room located within the main office. Parents can enter the main office through the door on the right, which is located immediately on your right as you come through the first set doors at the main entrance.

How Does School Council Communicate With Parents?

School Council uses the school's mass email communication system, the school's Synervoice messaging, includes regular submissions in the school's electronic newsletter and posts meeting summaries on School Council's section of the school's website, under the Parent tab. 2

**How to Staying Connected to
Bev Facey Community High School
Opportunity
Awards Ceremonies**

Activity / Involvement

Parents have a chance to join in the success celebrations at Bev Facey. Parents can attend ceremonies and they can also assist the event organizers. Some of the Awards Ceremonies include: academic, sports, the Drammies.

Coaching

Sports oriented parents can get involved with helping coach sports minded students. Teams can always use extra help.

Football parent club

The Bev Facey Football Parents' Group functions as a volunteer organization of parents of the Bev Facey Community High School football players. Its purpose is to provide financial support for the junior and senior football teams. All parents of football players on the junior and senior teams are automatically members.

Fundraising

Some of the sports teams engage parents in fundraising activities.

Grade 12 Grad Council

Attending Grade 12 Graduation is always an exciting time. It is a great way for parents to celebrate student success.

Parent/Teacher conference

Parent/Teacher conferences are a great way to get to know and build rapport with your child's teachers.

PowerSchool

PowerSchool has enhanced communication for Bev Facey parents. It is a "just-in-time" report card. Visit PowerSchool anytime you want to know about your child's achievement.

School Council

School Council meets 8 times during the year. We always have cookies and important agenda items. Parents have an opportunity to provide input into the vision, policies and school activities and ask questions. It is also a great way to be informed of the numerous opportunities that are available to students.

School Special Events

Council sponsors events like Learning Clicks, the School Council Award and parent input surveys. The school hosts a variety of special events during the year. In addition to attending the event, volunteers are often needed to help with development, coordination and clean-up. Some of the special events are: Remembrance Day, drama productions, band performances, musical theatre performances, art displays, sport events.

Volunteer in the Library

The work never ends in the library. Volunteers are welcomed with open arms.

Website

Bev Facey has a great website. There is a little bit of something for everyone. Parents would be particularly interested in the pages dedicated to: the daily bulletin, e-teacher, and direct email to staff