

Thompson PAC Newsletter

Parent Advisory Committee

February 2019



Fundraising Update

The PAC would like to send out a big thank you to the 48 families who have donated a total of \$5,470 to the PAC this year.

PAC funds are used to enhance student learning and experiences at school, for example the Bhangra dancing at our winter concert and projectors in all classrooms for learning and student portfolios.

If each family donated \$50 per student, we would raise \$11,500 to enhance school resources. If each family donated \$100 per student, we would have \$23,000 and could purchase 2 class sets of iPads and 2 charging carts.

Donations are accepted throughout the year at the school office. Donations of more than \$25 are eligible for a tax receipt. Please see the attached form.

PAC fundraising priorities for the remainder of this year and next year:

1. A class set of iPads and charging cart to enhance student learning with technology and use of student portfolios. Approximately \$12,000.
2. Starting to save for an expansion or replacement of our playground.

Please note that regardless of what the General Donation Form says, all funds will go to support Thompson students.

*Did you know schools need to have a PAC in order to have a hot lunch program and to receive the BC Gaming Grant for schools? This year we received **\$5,208** from the BC government for having a PAC.*

PAC Expenditures

Classroom technology: projectors and whiteboards	\$13,000
Classroom supplies	\$3,750
Library books	\$500
DARE program support	\$377
Outdoor education trip	\$2,000
Band supplies	\$250
Garden club supplies	\$400
Bhangra dance workshop	\$2,300
Field trip subsidies/buses	\$3,000
JN Burnett scholarship to Thompson alumni	\$500

Join us at our next meeting:
Wednesday, February 20
at 9 am
in the Multi-Purpose Room

Check out the new PAC page on the school website!

Meeting minutes, volunteer opportunities and information can be found under the parents tab.

Thank you to PAC Secretary Olivia Berumen for managing the page.

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Volunteer Update



How do PAC volunteers help at the school?

There are several PAC coordinators that will be leaving Thompson after next year. We need the current coordinators to train new volunteers for:

- ⇒ Safe Arrival
- ⇒ Hot Lunch
- ⇒ Yearbook
- ⇒ Special Events
- ⇒ PAC Website

We are looking for parents to fill executive positions next year:

- ⇒ Chair or Co-Chair
- ⇒ Vice Chair
- ⇒ Secretary

Dads are welcome!

Safe Arrival: Volunteers help Mrs. Fung to follow up with parents/guardians of students who are not accounted for.

Traffic Safety: At the crosswalk at the entrance to the main school parking lot, volunteers assist pedestrians and manage traffic flow in and out.

Hot Lunch: Volunteers distribute pre-order lunches, sell food, serve pizza and count cash.

Yearbook: Each division has two parent representatives. The reps take photos of students in their division at school events throughout the year. The reps sort the photos, and submit them via Google Drive to the Yearbook Committee.

Fruit and Vegetable Program: Volunteers wash and prepare fruits and vegetables that are donated to the school and distribute them to classrooms.

Special Events: Volunteers help the Special Events Coordinator with events such as Terry Fox Run and Staff Appreciation Luncheon.

For more information on volunteering, please contact:

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*Save the date for Staff Appreciation Lunch
Friday, May 3 at noon in the school gym.*