



## Westminster Public School – School Council Meeting

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### Wednesday October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Proposed Agenda

1. Approval of September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Minutes: *(VOTE Required)*

2. Approval of Treasurer's Report: *(VOTE Required)*  
**(5 min.)**

3. Co-Chair's Report:  
**(15 min.)**

- Elect 2 voting members to meet YRDSB By-Law requirements
  - Community Representative
  - Student Representative
  - Healthy Schools Parent Representative
- School Council Parent Survey
- Establish norms for the 2018/2019 School Council

4. Principal's Report:  
**(20 min.)**

- Principal's Profiles (Review & Update)
- School update
  - Staff professional learning
  - Update on window replacement
  - Other items

5. Action item considerations and updates:  
**(15 min.)**

- School Council By-Laws (establish committee)
- Status of PRO Grant, TD Grant
- Hot Lunch program and pizza volunteers update
- Fresh from the Farm update
- Autumn Ball update

6. Proposed future Council events and dates

**(20 min.)**

- Seasonal Fundraising options (QSP, Cookies, McGregor's, etc.)
- Speaker Seminars & Community Events
- Health & Wellness Night
- Family Movie Nights
- Family Restaurant Nights
- Rummage Sale
- Spring Festival
- Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

6. Fundraising Budget Goals & Review: *(VOTE Required)*

**(10 min.)**

7. Fund Allocation: *(VOTE Required)*

**(5 min.)**

- Childcare and/or food for School Council Meetings
- Staff Wish List

9. New Business

***(depending on time left, 5 min./item)***



**Future School Council Meeting Dates (6:30 pm to 8:00 pm)**

- November 28, 2018
- January 16, 2019
- February 13, 2019
- March 27, 2019
- May 1, 2019

## *For Your Information...*

### **Fall School Council Forum (October 29, 2018)**

Diana and Melissa will be attending. An update will be provided for the November 2018 School Council meeting.

### **Every Student Counts Survey (Nov. 12 -30, 2018)**

From November 12 to 30, 2018, the York Region District School Board will invite all students to participate in the Every Student Counts Survey (ESCS). The purpose of this census survey is to better understand YRDSB's diverse student population as well as students' experiences in school and outside of school. The survey results will be used to help improve our schools and to:

- Identify and eliminate systemic barriers to student success;
- Create more equitable and inclusive school environments; and,
- Improve student achievement and well-being.

For more information, please see

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/equity/Pages/Every-Student-Counts-Survey.aspx>

### **Ontario Education Reform Consultation**

Starting in September 2018, the Government will engage in province-wide public consultations that will allow parents, educators and interested individuals from across the province to contribute.

There will be three ways for people to participate:

- An online submission form, available now, that allows people, organizations or groups to provide their views on any of the consultation topics. Submissions can also be sent to the ministry by emailing [fortheparents@ontario.ca](mailto:fortheparents@ontario.ca) or [auseducdesparents@ontario.ca](mailto:auseducdesparents@ontario.ca).
- An online survey that will be available soon in English and French, with questions that relate to the key themes below.
- Telephone town halls across Ontario, with separate town halls in English and French. The telephone town hall discussions will be aligned with the themes discussed in the survey. The dates and times of these town halls will be posted on [fortheparents.ca](http://fortheparents.ca) as they become available.

The consultations are intended to focus on the following topics:

- How to improve student performance in the disciplines of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM);
- How our schools are preparing students with needed job skills;
- What more can be done to ensure students graduate with important life skills, like financial literacy;
- How to build an updated and age-appropriate Health and Physical Education curriculum that includes subjects like sexual health education, mental health and the legalization of cannabis;
- What measures can be taken to improve standardized testing;
- What steps schools should take regarding the use of technology in classrooms, such as the use of cell phones; and
- What elements would participants like to see included in the Ministry of Education Parents' Bill of Rights.

For up-to-date information on all of the ways people can participate, please visit [fortheparents.ca](http://fortheparents.ca).