

River East Collegiate (PAC) or PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHAT IS “PAC”?

A PAC is a group of parents that work together with the school staff for the betterment of the children’s school experience. Being on a “PAC” is a parent’s chance to have a voice in their child’s school. A chance to discuss school related topics, ask questions, and/or raise concerns.

Our PAC meets with the school’s principal once a month to discuss topics mentioned above, as well as our school’s current and future plans, events, and activities. We also help to plan and organize fundraisers and special events/lunches to help support these goals.

WHAT does PAC fundraise for?

The money PAC helps to raise has been used in the past to help pay for “extras” like additional classroom supplies, new or updated equipment and/ or technology, support for field trips, as well to help support other fun school activities and events.

WHO are REC’s current PAC?

Currently we are only a small group of about 5 parents that all want the best for our students(s), our school and our community.

WHAT happens at a PAC Meeting?

We talk. We raise our concerns, and discuss solutions and ideas. We ask questions. We talk about current and future events happening in the school and with the teachers. We also discuss ways parents and PAC can support these events, and the overall growth of the school and the community. We also help/start to plan fundraisers and special lunches at this time.

WHEN and WHERE are the PAC Meetings?

PAC meetings are about 45 mins long, at our first meeting we will set the schedule of PAC dates for the rest of the 24-25 school year. We will meet in the Library at 6:00 pm. Check the REC online calendar for dates.

WHO can COME to a MEETING?

EVERYONE AND ANYONE with a child attending River East Collegiate.

WHY COME to a MEETING?

To learn more about River East Collegiate. To raise concerns, ask questions. To help build, strengthen, and support events, happenings and activities, within the school and even beyond into our community. To connect with other parents.

Is PAC a big TIME COMMITMENT?

NO. Being part of the PAC can be as little or as much as you want:

Some people come to the monthly meetings just to stay informed, have a voice, and/or help make decisions, others prefer to stay updated via email because they can’t attend all or some of the meetings, some people support PAC through volunteering their time (student/staff appreciation lunches) or even through their resources (eg. collecting donations from \contacts/connections and/or business for prizes or supplies to support all the positive behavior initiatives at REC), and some people do all of the above. It all helps!!

If you are interested in attending the first REC PAC meeting, please email PAC Chair, Elena at leeandleen@shaw.ca

Thank you for your consideration,

Brian Locken

Principal