

The Hugh Sutherland School Council believes the responsibility for education lies with the students, parents, school and community. The council will commit to learning, promoting and participating in open communications for productive growth among all to achieve excellence in our school community.

Engagement that leads to enhancement of HSS school culture

GOALS	Parents actively engaged in our building	Parents connected to classrooms and working with teachers as part stakeholders in their child's education	Parents engaging other parents to be active participants in their child's education
<p>Strategy and Corresponding Outcomes</p>	<p>Gain increased parent perspective to enhance school culture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Maximize parent involvement in annual Assurance Survey and CESD survey *Create a voice for parents and students to collaborate with administration *Allow opportunities for parents to support and enhance school culture outside of meetings 	<p>Encourage parents to use the resources & tools available to them</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Share the importance of checking Powerschool and google classroom regularly *HSS website tutorial: Calendar, Newsletter, Online Payments, etc *Encourage word of mouth to teach fellow parents how to navigate software and communication *Host education sessions about PowerSchool for improved usage 	<p>Move from a traditional School Council to a more advisory role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Follow Assurance Framework by involving parents in an advisory role within our school *Collaborate with administration on school programming *Collaborate and provide input for annual and 3 year education plan *Council representatives will meet with administration to review and provide input on the school budget & fund allocation
<p>Strategy and Corresponding Outcomes</p>	<p>Share what School Council is</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Through advertising, HSS messenger system, and word of mouth *Be present at events like school concerts, parent-teacher interview nights, Welcome Back BBQ, Neighbourhood party, Beef & Barley Days etc, to educate about school council's role in our schools success *Have an education kit ready to roll out at any event by council members *Send a Welcome email to new registered parents (gr 5 or other) 	<p>Encourage parent engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Teach and encourage all parents to get police checks into the office and be prepared to volunteer *Encourage parents to frequently engage in dialog with their child's classroom teacher and understand the benefits *Encourage timely parent response to classroom communication (field trip info/forms, teacher requests) *Encourage parents to read all HSS communication from the messenger system (weekly Kodiak review and other important messaging) 	<p>Create opportunities for parents to be involved in ways that align with the HSS education plan and goals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Review current areas of parent involvement available within school * Ask teachers about additional ways that parents can help such as career engagement, gaps in current programming where parent support would be beneficial * Identify parent representatives for Grades 5,6/7,8/9,10/11,12 so unique needs can be better recognized through school council * Collaborate with MS and HS leadership teams to maximize student influence among peers
<p>Success Measures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Number of parent interactions with school council representatives *number of people and/or parent concerns represented at council meetings *Number of Assurance Surveys and CESD Surveys done *June 2023 and ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Number of police checks in office *Grade 5 and Grade 9/10 orientations with school council presence *June 2023 and ongoing into fall 2023 with school kickoff events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Published plan for parents and staff to see *Acting on teacher feedback *Number of opportunities created for parent's to be involved in their child's school and classroom *Parent representatives selected *Spring 2023 and collaborate ongoing for spring of 2024