Brighouse Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

What is a PAC?

The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is the "officially recognized collective voice of parents of their school".

The responsibilities of the PAC include (but are not limited to):

- providing opportunities to educate and inform parents about the school
- involving parents in volunteer activities
- openly discussing parents' concerns and aspirations for their school

Who is a PAC member?

All parents and guardians of children attending Brighouse Elementary School are automatically members of the Brighouse PAC. While the PAC does elect a PAC Executive Committee each year, you do not need to sit on the PAC Executive to be an active PAC member. All members are encouraged to attend meetings and participate in PAC activities!

Our Main Fundraising Goals for this year:

- 1. Supply more books for school
- 2. Help cover the cost of field trips and activities
- 3. Support G6/G7 camp
- 4. Workshops
- 5. Support school equipments, such as gym, technology, etc.





UPCOMING PAC MEETING

January 20, 2024

3:15pm

In Person: School Library

Online:

Click Here - Google Meet

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

Please join our parents group below for updates on events and volunteer opportunities. THANK YOU!!!



WHATSAPP GROUP

微信家长群只能通过邀请加入请添加管理员微信并 备注 "学校家长"

WECHAT GROUP CAN BE JOINED BY INVITATION ONLY, PLZ ADD ADMIN



PAC Report

Dear Brighouse Parents,

Happy Holidays and welcome back to school! We hope this festive season brings you joy, warmth, and cherished moments with your loved ones—especially your amazing children. Whether you're staying close to home or venturing out for a holiday adventure, we wish you a wonderful break filled with laughter and relaxation.

December Highlights

December was a bustling and exciting month at Brighouse! Here are some highlights:

• **Opa Hot Lunch**, **Movie Night**, and the **Donut Sale** were all resounding successes! Thank you to everyone who participated and supported these events.

Updates and Financial Contributions

D.A.R.E. Program

Students in Grades 5-7 (and some Grade 4s in mixed classes) successfully completed the D.A.R.E. program led by RCMP Constable Walker. The program wrapped up with a graduation ceremony where students proudly received their t-shirts. PAC approved a \$250 donation to help cover the program's material costs.

Literacy Support and Classroom Resources

One of Brighouse Elementary's goal for this year is in the area of Literacy. To help ensure that all students are improving in their reading and writing, this is a focus during professional development days and in the purchase of current resources. To support this goal, a generous parent made a donation, and part of the donation, \$200 per classroom (\$6,200 total) are distributed to classrooms to update their libraries with diverse and inclusive resources. An additional PAC contribution of \$100 per classroom will be also provided to help achieve the goal.

Playground Improvements

The new playground schedule has significantly reduced crowding and fostered better student interactions. Ongoing construction projects, including the **sandpit relocation** and the installation of a **new basketball court** are progressing well.

Outdoor Education Camp

We are thrilled to announce that our tradition of Outdoor Education for Grade 6 & 7 students continues! The next trip is scheduled for **June 23rd-25th** at **Camp Jubilee**. This program offers students a chance to learn, build connections, and explore new experiences. We are seeking parent volunteers to join an **Outdoor Ed Camp Committee** to help organize fundraising opportunities to reduce costs for families. Please email to Kathy Pantaleo @ kpantaleo@sd38.bc.ca to sign up.

PAC Report

How You Can Help:

We warmly invite all parents to join PAC activities. Here are some ways you can contribute:

- Volunteer for events or share your ideas.
- Outdoor Ed Camp Committee help organize fundraising events for grade 6 & 7 students.
- Lead initiatives or assist with organizing programs.
- Help with tasks like poster design, newsletters, or website updates.
- **Attend meetings** or simply share feedback by writing to us or sending a quick text in our parent group. Your input matters!
- **Donations** whether on munchalunch while ordering your child's hot lunch, or use school cash online which designate the donation to Brighouse PAC will all help.

A Big Thank You:

A heartfelt thank you to our incredible Hot Lunch Team and PAC executives, who dedicate their time and energy to supporting the school while balancing full-time jobs. We also want to express our gratitude to the school administration for their ongoing support and collaboration in making PAC activities successful. Your efforts and understanding help us create meaningful experiences for our students and families.

Join Us:

We'd love to see more parents at our next meeting or event. Let's work together to build a stronger, more vibrant Brighouse community for our children!

As always, feel free to reach out with any questions or suggestions—we'd love to hear from you.

Thank you!

Brighouse PAC

Brighouse PAC Website

September Meeting Minutes

October Meeting Minutes

November Meeting Minutes

Budget available upon request

Fundraising Events



Cobb's Bread

When making a purchase at Cobb's at Blundell Centre (No.2 Road and Blundell), mention BRIGHOUSE ELEMENTARY when you checkout and the school will receive 5% of your purchase!





All the natural, eco-friendly cleaning supplies to make your home sparkling & ready for your guests over the holiday season. Great gifts ideas! Please Click Here

Nellie's

Hot Lunch Dates

January 17

Pizza Day

(Order deadline Jan 11)

January 24

Edo Japan

(Order deadline Jan 18)

January 31

Booster Juice

(Order deadline Jan 25)

February 7

Subway Day

(Order deadline Feb 1)

February 21

Pizza Day

(Order deadline Feb 15)

March 7

Edo Japan

(Order deadline Mar 1)

March 12

Frozen Yogurt

(Order deadline Mar 6)

All Hot Lunch orders are made on

https://munchalunch.com/

Do you know?

You can help a Brighouse student receive hot lunch! When ordering hot lunches each month, you can choose to make a **donation** of \$1, \$2, \$5 or \$10! All donated funds go towards purchasing a PAC hot lunch for students at our school whose families are not able to afford a lunch. You can choose one of the donation when ordering in Munchalunch, **SO EASY!**

Sep to Dec 2024 total Donation = \$580

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