

Brighthouse 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 Brighthouse Elementary School are automatically members of the Brighthouse 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 equipment, such as gym, technology, etc.



UPCOMING PAC MEETING

March 10, 2025 3:15pm

In Person: School Library

Online: [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

Dear Brighthouse Parents,

We hope everyone is settling back into the school routine as we move through February. Here are some updates from our most recent PAC meeting held on February 10th:

Math Curriculum Presentation: We were honored to have Janice Nowakowski, a math teacher consultant, join us to explain the BC math curriculum. She highlighted that all teachers follow mandated teaching and assessment guidelines introduced in September 2016. Parents were encouraged to visit <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca> for more details. Janice also addressed questions about different teaching methods, emphasizing that creative and conceptual understanding is prioritized in schools.

Movie Night Update: Based on parent feedback, our next movie night will remain at 3:15 PM. "Wild Robots" will be featured on March 7th. While no parent has volunteered to organize the event, two parents have kindly offered to assist with handing out snacks.

Below are feedback from the survey sent out to families from the February 7th newsletter:

<p>1. What is your preferred time for movie nights?</p>	<p>- 97% responded with 3:15 pm - 3% responded with 5:15 pm</p>
<p>2. If we changed our start time to 5:15 pm, would you be available to join the</p>	<p>- 100% answered no</p>
<p>3. If we changed our time to 5:15 pm would you be able to help hand out food and snacks?</p>	<p>- 6% answered yes - 94% answered no</p>

Outdoor Education Committee: A new committee has been formed with 12–15 parents interested in fundraising for Grade 6/7 outdoor education activities. This initiative will help ensure students can enjoy enriching outdoor experiences.

Lunch Assistance Program: Thanks to your generous donations, 30 students are currently receiving lunch assistance through our hot lunch program. Your contributions make a significant difference in supporting these students.

School Mascot Voting: Our mascot voting resulted in a tie between the Raven and the Bobcat! A second round of voting will be conducted soon to finalize our new school mascot.

Facility Improvements: Exciting updates are planned for after spring break! These include enhancements to the sandpit, gardens, and playground areas. Additionally, the annex bathrooms have been reopened following repairs due to vandalism.

Book Donations: Teachers have been actively using book donation funds to purchase new resources for their classrooms. Thank you for supporting literacy at Brighthouse!

Treasurer's Report: Our fundraising efforts between January and March have been very successful! A total of \$6,379.95 has been raised so far, including a generous \$303 donation from MunchALunch. These funds will go towards supporting various school initiatives and events. We're looking forward to organizing more fundraising activities after spring break.

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 and recommend vendors.
- **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 Munch-a-Lunch while ordering your child's hot lunch, or use school cash online which designate the donation to Brighthouse 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 Brighthouse 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!

Brighthouse PAC

[Brighthouse PAC Website](#)

[September Meeting Minutes](#)

[October Meeting Minutes](#)

[November Meeting Minutes](#)

[December Meeting Minutes](#)

[January 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!



Nellie's

Support Our School with Nellie's Fundraiser – Only Two Weeks Left! All the natural, eco-friendly cleaning supplies to make your home sparkling & ready for your guests. Great gifts ideas! Please [Click Here](#)

Pedalheads

We're excited to partner with [Pedalheads](#) for a unique fundraiser that promotes biking skills and supports our school!



Here's how it works (until June 30, 2025):

Use the exclusive discount code **BHOUSE25** to save \$25 on [Pedalheads](#) bike camps.

For every registration with the code, [Pedalheads](#) will donate \$25 to our PAC fundraiser.

Hot Lunch Dates

March 7

Edo Japan

(Order deadline Mar 1)

March 12

Frozen Yogurt

(Order deadline Mar 6)

Upcoming Events

March 7

Movie Night at 3:15PM

Movie: Wild Robots

March 10

PAC Meeting at 3:15PM

At the Library and online

All Hot Lunch orders are made on

<https://munchalunch.com/>

Do you know?

Help Provide Hot Lunches for Brighthouse Students!

When ordering hot lunches on [Munch-a-Lunch](#), you can add a donation of **\$1, \$2, \$5, or \$10** to help provide lunches for students whose families may need assistance. Every contribution goes directly toward ensuring no student goes without a meal. It's quick, easy, and makes a big difference—thank you for your support!

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