

Berkshire Park PAC

*Making Your School
the Best Place to
Learn and Grow*

Just One Month Left until the End of the School Year! Keep being Amazing!

Berkshire Bonanza: **THIS Friday, May 27th** from 4 to 8pm. Join us in typical Berkshire fashion for food, games, and fun! Any and every one is welcome, and Admission is FREE! There will be Raffle Draws and 50/50, Concession, Marketplace, Kidpreneurs, Used Book Sale, Garage Sale, Carnival Games, Popcorn, Cotton Candy, and we will end the night with a Family Movie...save your seats starting at 730pm (bring your chairs and/or blankets), movie to start at 8pm (Movie TBD and may be in gym, weather and seating dependent). ****We need your help to make the night a success.** We are looking for volunteers. If you can help out, even just for an hour, please fill the volunteer form at <https://forms.office.com/r/cVpv80WKc8>.

Hot Lunch: Last order for this year is due via [Munch-a-Lunch](#) on Tuesday, May 31st

Krispy Kreme Donuts: If you ordered Krispy Kreme donuts from our recent fundraiser, they will be available during our Berkshire Bonanza, this Friday May 27th 4-8pm!

Neufeld Farms: It's all things BBQ and Summer Patio time! Neufeld orders are available until Sunday, June 5th at <https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/2022-berkshire-park-elementary>.

PAC AGM – Thursday, May 26th at 7pm: This is the meeting you HAVE to be at! The AGM is the final meeting of the where there will be voting for the new Executives and Coordinators for next school year -PLUS- 50/50 draw -PLUS- Hot Lunch Draw! Please find the previous AGM Minutes and current AGM Agenda attached for your viewing prior to the meeting. Join us for our last meeting of the year (via Zoom). Meeting ID: 693 6370 3503 / Passcode: B3rksh!re
Link: <https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/69363703503?pwd=Mm96YmpIU2ZYWkd4T0tySctBTnNsUT09>

Clothing Donation Drive: Drop off your donations in the main front hall Thursday, May 26th (9-3pm) / Friday, May 27th (9-8pm (during our Berkshire Bonanza) / Tuesday, May 31st (9-3pm). If you have a Garage Sale spot at our Bonanza and don't want to pack things up to take back home, you can simply bag it up and leave it at the school! It's a win-win!

**Thank you! All of you! For all you do in inspiring our students and keeping them healthy and safe.
When we all work together, we can make the world a great place.
One child. One family. One act of kindness, at a time!**

PAC Executive Team 2021/2022

President: Tabitha Rodgers / **Vice President:** Alexandra Eastman
Treasurer: Vannie Bautista / **Secretary:** Jen C. & Krystle M.

Please email us your questions, comments, kudos, ideas anytime at BerkshireParkPAC@outlook.com



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Search "**Berkshire Park PAC**"
for our parents group to stay
up-to-date on school events



What is the PAC?



Why do we fundraise?

What are the funds used for?

Quick and short answer...The PAC is all of us -the Parent Community- and we help ensure Berkshire Park is the best possible place for our children to learn and grow!

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YOU ARE! Any parent/guardian of a child attending the school is part of the PAC (Parent Advisory Committee). The PAC listens to the concerns and values of families in our school community and assists with bridging any gaps between families and the school, district, or province; including funding for many classroom and school items the provincial government does not allocate funds, or enough funds, for.

Why do we fundraise?

The PAC listens to the needs of the school & parent community raising funds to subsidize many of the things we have and do, to give our children the best possible experience in their elementary school years. The provincial government funding objective is *“to allocate operating funding so that students in all districts have an equal opportunity to receive a quality education”*. This is a standard guideline to fund the basics for all schools, in all districts. However, one size doesn't fit all. These funds don't include any of the 'extras'. Our fundraisers add those fun things for the enjoyment & memories of our students and families.

There is a Gaming Grant that can be applied for each year for extra funding from the Province. To receive this, there must be a 3-member Executive committee to hold a minimum of 4 meetings per year.

What are the funds used for?

- Playground replacements/upgrades
- Field trips, Technology, Library, Music
- Subsidising events such as Performances, Artist visits, Author visits, Dance, Yoga, Gymnastics
- And much, much more!

How can I get involved?

There are many opportunities such as:

- Attend meetings
- DPAC representative (District PAC)
- Ordering from fundraisers
- Attend, or volunteer at, events (ie. BBQ, Carnival, Craft and Book fairs)

Join us for our next PAC Meeting on **Thursday, May 26th at 7pm!** (Meeting is via Zoom, link is in newsletter above. We would love for you to join us!)

Get your name on the list! To receive PAC related updates, send a 'Please add me' email to BerkshireParkPAC@outlook.com -OR- Join us on Facebook by simply searching for **“Berkshire Park PAC”**.

We are elated to connect with each of you, to work together in building on our amazing Berkshire Park community!

PAC Executive Positions

(Executive-at-Large includes Coordinator roles such as: Hot Lunch, Book Fair, Clothing Drive, Grade 7 Grad)

President:

- Attends all meetings of the year (4 Executive and 4 General)
- Oversees and plans for the PAC Calendar of Events
- Organizes committees and delegates tasks as required to carry out the business of the PAC
- Oversees subcommittees and assists as needed
- Liaise with school administration on PAC issues and represents parents
- Represents school at school and local events, as required
- Provides content for PAC webpage to school administration for posting
- Communicates with parents via newsletter and emails
- Plans budget with Executive committee
- Signing officer on PAC financial accounts (must be Coast Capital member/able to become one)
- Signs off on Treasurer's reports

Vice President (Can also be combined position with Secretary):

- Supports the President in all facets of their position
- Assists in planning and attends all meetings of the year (4 Executive and 4 General)
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- Provides content for PAC to school administration for posting
- Communicates with parents via Facebook, newsletters, and emails
- Managing PAC Facebook group and page
- Plans budget with PAC Executives
- Signing officer on PAC financial accounts (must be Coast Capital member/able to become one)

Treasurer:

- Attends all meetings of the year (4 Executive and 4 General)
- Keeps the financial records of the PAC
- Writes cheques, prepares, and performs bank deposits
- Prepares budget and monthly financial reports
- Provides a financial account at all PAC Executive and General meetings
- Reports to the PAC President
- Signing officer on PAC financial accounts (must be Coast Capital member/able to become one)

Secretary:

- Attends all meetings of the year (4 Executive and 4 General)
- Provides copies of the minutes from previous meeting for attendees
- Prepares meeting minutes and posts on PAC bulletin board in a timely manner (including Principal's Report, Budget Report, and any other attachments)
- Forwards minutes to school secretary for posting to school website (including attachments)
- Assists in set up and coordinating PAC meetings
- Assists in keeping updated contact lists for PAC Executives and Volunteers
- Assists with PAC email communication
- Signing officer on PAC financial accounts (must be Coast Capital member/able to become one)
- Assists with photocopies of PAC correspondence or notices