

# Coast Meridian Parent Advisory Committee September Updates

On behalf of the Coast Meridian PAC Executive, welcome back to another year and welcome to all our new students and families!! While things all around are looking very different, it is for us too. Fun, community building things we normally undertake like hot lunches, potluck, Fun Fair etc. - all these things and more may be on hold for the foreseeable future. That does NOT mean our business as a PAC grinds to a halt. We are here to support students, parents, and our school. For more information about what we do and who we are please see end of newsletter.

# HELP NEEDED FOR COAST MERIDIAN PAC:

As the school year has changed and families have moved or graduated from Coast, we are in need of new members to keep our Coast Meridian PAC going. This is necessary for the funding we receive and use to help support our school and kids outside of regular school funding.

**Secretary** - this is a PAC executive position and must be filled to complete our PAC. This person would keep notes during our monthly PAC meetings (currently will be online) and keep track of documents using our google drive.

**Social Media** - this person would be a PAC member at large and would post to our PAC Facebook page keeping parents updated on any PAC and school events.

**Fundraiser Coordinators and Volunteers** - even though we will be limited to the fundraisers we can run this year for our school we still heavily rely on parent volunteers to help make these successful.

\*\*If you are interested in one of the above please email us at <u>coastmeridianpac@gmail.com</u> or click "Contact us" on our web page at <u>http://www.coastmeridianpac.com/</u> and complete the form with what you are interested in helping with.

## **PAC Meetings:**

For the foreseeable future PAC meetings will be held virtually via Zoom. Our first PAC Meeting is:

#### October 1, 2020

#### Time: 7:50pm (Meet and Greet) & 8:00pm Meeting will Start

\*These meetings typically last about 1 hour.

The meeting zoom link will be posted to our PAC website and PAC Facebook page.

\*For future dates please follow our PAC website

## **Fundraisers:**

With the few fundraisers we are planning this year we as the PAC are looking to support local business. If you have fundraiser ideas that support local and require minimal contact delivery, we would love to hear from you. Here are a couple of fundraisers we have planned so far...

#### Neufeld Farms Frozen Food Fundraiser – Delivery November 25

This one is always a hit with families, and we are excited to be bringing it back with their Holiday Favorite Menu. More information will be sent out in late October.

#### Purdy's Chocolates – Delivery week of December 7

We are excited to bring the Purdy's fundraiser back to Coast just in time for the holiday season. More information will be sent out in early November.



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## For continued PAC Information please visit our website and Facebook Pages

PAC Website: <u>http://www.coastmeridianpac.com/</u> PAC Facebook Page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/coastmeridianpac/</u> PAC Email Contact: coastmeridianpac@gmail.com

#### **PAC Email Communication:**

To sign up to receive PAC emails please go to our website and under "Contact Us" complete the form with your information. <u>http://www.coastmeridianpac.com/contact-us</u>

\*\* \*Please note that any email addresses collected will only be saved for the 2020/2021 school year and are kept confidential. If you signed up last year, you WILL need to sign up again this year to continue to receive PAC emails.

#### Who we are:

EVERY parent at Coast Meridian is a PAC Parent - whether you participate in meetings or not, whether you volunteer in the school or not. If you are a parent/guardian under the School Act in our school, you ARE a PAC member, with all the rights and privileges of every member whether you exercise them or not. We exist and function according to the legislation under the BC School Act. EVERY parent is a PAC member.

The Executive is elected annually by our members which consist of every parent/guardian at our school. Our members (you!) are encouraged to participate as much or as little as they are able. Our success as a PAC throughout the year is critically dependent on parent involvement, even if it is just your voice.

#### What we do:

The Coast Meridian Elementary Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) actively works with the school and staff to assist with our children's experience at our school. You may think that PAC only works towards fundraising; however, this is only a part of what we do. PAC sponsors and organizes many other events as well and in the past we have done the Welcome Back Coffee Social, Welcome Back Potluck, Bookfairs, Fun lunches, ensures each classroom has an up to date earthquake kit and also helps with various other activities requiring assistance at the school throughout the year.

# Thank you for your support of the Coast Meridian Elementary PAC

To Contact us email: CoastMeridianPAC@gmail.com