

Playground Update

Our Wooden Playground Structure Needs Replacing – We need your help!

When: THIS YEAR!

Where: The older wooden structure

Why: The wooden playground is close to 30 years old and requires regular repairs, so the district is decommissioning it

What's the plan: To replace it with something comparable or better

How much do we still need to raise: \$32,000.00!!!

Your PAC has been fundraising for this moment for **three years** now.

We have raised \$53,000.00 (only \$32,000 more to go!), but we are running out of time!

In order to reach our goal, we need parent volunteers to help out with grant applications, to reach out to companies for donations and to reach out to your employers for donations. Please help us for the final stretch.



In the latter half of the 2017/2018 school year, Riverdale Staff and PAC were notified that the old playground (known for many years as the “little kids” playground) was to be decommissioned in 2022.

With this notification, the PAC group sprung into action. A new playground is the responsibility of the PAC group to commission and pay for.

Your PAC reached out to the contractors that work in the Surrey School District, and had some proposals put together. These proposals ranged in cost from \$75,000-\$125,000. The lowest cost option would have a much smaller capacity than the existing playground.

While there is an option for a 2-phase approach, it will cost more in the long-run, and students will have half a playground until the remaining funds are raised. If we can reach our \$85,000 goal, we can have a one-time installation that will give all our kids 25 years of playtime fun!

We need parent volunteers to help plan and participate in fund raisers, grant proposals, and donation requests. Any time commitment, large or small, is welcome.

This project will impact the community in a positive way for years to come, and we, the community, can make this happen!

Riverdale staff and students will thank you for years to come!

We still have grants that can be applied for, companies that can be contacted for donations and fundraisers to run.

How Can You Help?

Sign up! Sign up on PAC’s volunteer list or join us for a meeting or two to see what would fit for you. We’d love to have you!

Write a cheque... Who to make it out to?

Personal donations are a great way to contribute and come with a tax receipt to boot! Make donations out to “School District 36”, with “for Ecole Riverdale Elementary’s playground” in the memo.

Donate your time! Help us update or write grant applications or contact companies for corporate donations.

Do you know of any corporate donors that might like to contribute? Let us know!

Ask your employer! Find attached a corporate donation letter to give to your employer. Tax receipts will be provided, and extra-generous donations could be recognized on the final product!

To get involved, or for more information, email us at: riverdale.pac@hotmail.com