



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.

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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 'nice to have' or do things. 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 4 Executive members to head the committee & 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 Theater productions, 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)

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!