



School Council - Northwest Elementary Campus, FFCA, Calgary, Alberta

Date: Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Video call link: <https://www.ffca-parent.com/call/yrz7a64j>

Mission: *Through parental partnerships, support school administration and staff in their delivery of quality education and to instill a sense of community within all FFCA campuses.*

AGENDA

All School Council meetings are open to the school community to attend. Speaking to an item at School Council meetings is permitted, unless in the Chair's judgment, the communication is disruptive to the meeting;

Meetings may be held as deemed necessary by the School Council Executive or at the written request of 10 members of the school community;

1. Call To Order	Bola Badejoko (Chair)
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1. Establish Quorum
 1. The attendance of a majority of voting members constitutes a quorum (6/10)
2. Appointment of Secretary for this Meeting
3. Welcome and Introductions
 1. Voting School Council Members
 2. Non-Voting Ex-Officio School Council Members
 3. Attendees

2. Approval of Agenda	Bola Badejoko (Chair)
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- **Anyone in the school community may request an item to be added to a School Council agenda by contacting the Chair at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting.**
- **At the discretion of the Chair, new items may be introduced by anyone in the school community who is present at the meeting.**

Approve by Unanimous Consent

3. Special Items	Shawna Drummond (Principal Educator)
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1. Campus Budget
2. Parent Feedback Survey

4. Organization	Bola Badejoko (Chair)
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. School Council Bylaw Article 6: School Council may appoint persons (as stipulated in ARTICLE 5 SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP) to fill vacancies until the next School Council AGM. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motion to Appoint the following persons to the following positions on School Council: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Serena Yan – Co-Community Services Coordinator 2. Vacancies <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Secretary 2. Co-Community Services Coordinator 3. Advocacy Committee Chair 3. Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Code of Conduct Signing (See Article 7 and Appendix A of School Council Bylaws: https://www.ffca-calgary.com/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=16667342) 2. Conflict of Interest Declarations (See Article 7 Section 1 and Appendix B of School Council Bylaws: https://www.ffca-calgary.com/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=16667342)Non-Voting Ex-Officio 4. School Council Objectives / Mandate / Operations Overview (Reference Material Below for Optional Review) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standard Operating Procedures / Bylaws: https://www.ffca-calgary.com/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=16667342 2. Alberta School Councils Regulation: https://www.qp.alberta.ca/1266.cfm?page=2019_094.cfm&leg_type=Regs&display=html 5. Committees <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Heritage Celebration Committee <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motion to appoint Jas Gill to the Heritage Celebration Committee 2. Community Events Committee <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motion to appoint Mahira Muradova to the Community Events Committee 	
5. Secretary Report	Heather Hadden (Secretary)
1. Approval of Minutes of the May 17th, 2023 Meeting (see attached) by Unanimous Consent	
6. Treasurer Report	Rita Shen (Treasurer)
1. Financial Report	
7. Teacher Representative Report	TBD (Teacher Representative)
1.	
8. Principal Educator Report	Shawna Drummond (Principal Educator)
1.	
9. Heritage Celebration Committee Report	Nabila Siddiqui (Heritage Celebration Committee Chair)

10. Advocacy Committee Report	TBD (Advocacy Committee Chair)
1. Committee Mandate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Work on and submit any Proposed Advocacy Resolutions for the Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) to consider ○ Choose a Voting Delegate to send to any ASCA meeting ○ Consider and undertake other activities as necessary for the advocacy of the FFCA NWE community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ examples: advocate for a new campus, out of school care solutions, etc. 	
11. Community Events Committee Report	TBD (Community Events Committee Chair)
1. The Little Mermaid (Saturday, June 10 th) (Andrew) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 43 attendees. Invoiced and Paid \$601.65 (17 General, 33 Child) 2. Elemental (Sunday, June 18 th) (Andrew) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 82 attendees. 3. Total Ticket Sales: \$1184.25 4. Kiss and Cry Tea 5. Welcome Back BBQ 6. Motion to allow the Community Events Committee to spend up to \$2000 for Welcome (Back) Events 7. Motion to amend Community Events Committee Terms of Reference as presented (see attached)	
12. Community Services Coordinator Report	TBD (Community Services Coordinator)
1. Grade 4 Celebration (Mahira / Deanna)	
13. Fun Lunch Coordinator Report	Clara Ip (Fun Lunch Coordinator)
1. Coco Brooks and Jugo Juice – June 23 (Mirabel) 2. Fun Lunch Survey Results (see attached) (Mirabel and Andrew)	
14. Kindergarten Representative and ECS Special Snack Coordinator Report	Chanelle Pat (Kindergarten Representative)
1. Kindergarten Orientation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mentor Parents (Salina) 2. Ride Share, Before-School Care, and/or After-School Care Survey (Andrew - see attached) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Letter to survey respondents? - see attached 2. Special Snack	
15. Health and Wellness Report	Deanna Zhao (Health and Wellness Coordinator)
1. Fresh Food Friday	
16. Fundraising Coordinator Report	Jingxing Lin (Fundraising Coordinator)
1. Davison Orchards (Mahira) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. NMS and maybe NEE interested in joining our fundraiser (Andrew) 	
17. Parental Partnership Report	Ade Onasanya and Janine Rudolph (Parental Partnership Coordinator)
1. Parental Partnership Hours Report 2. Swim Day Volunteers	

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1. Communications Plan (Marina / Andrew)

19. Chair Report

Bola Badejoko (Chair)

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1. Alberta School Councils' Association (Andrew)
 1. Membership renewed by ASC (The Association of FFCA School Councils) – see attached
 2. The Association of FFCA School Councils Report (Bola / Terri / Andrew)
 1. SWE and SEE: Welcome Back BBQ on Orientation Day
 2. Westjet Fundraiser > \$7000
 3. Parent Partnership Graphic and Categories
 3. Alberta School Council Engagement Grant
 1. June 7th Parent Literacy Night (Andrew and Shawna)
 - o 30 or so attendees
 2. FFCA Parent Community Administration and Invoicing (Andrew)
 4. Annual General Meeting (Andrew)
 1. 19 attendees
 5. Board Meeting (Andrew)
 1. May 24th
 - o Special Performance: <https://www.ffca-parent.com/s/MLira8Da8MKgBST>

20. Other Items

Bola Badejoko (Chair)

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1. Meeting Schedule

Motion to approve the following meeting dates:

Tuesday, August 22nd (first Organizational Day)

Tuesday, September 19th

Tuesday, October 24th

Tuesday, November 21st

Tuesday, December 19th

Tuesday, January 23rd

Tuesday, February 20th

Tuesday, March 19th

Tuesday, April 23rd

Tuesday, May 21st

AGM: Tuesday, May 28th

.Tuesday, June 18th (Transition, Tentative)

2. Closing Comments
3. Motion to Enter Closed Session
4. ffca-parent.com Q&A (Andrew)



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Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2023

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Location: Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/sww-xemj-idw>

Or dial: (CA) +1 289-434-8421 PIN: 362 910 808#

More phone numbers: <https://tel.meet/sww-xemj-idw?pin=9966222682195>

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Minutes

1. Call To Order: 6:35 Andrew Chu (Vice-Chair)

1. Welcome and Introductions

1. Attendees: Andrew Chu (Vice-Chair), Heather Hadden (Secretary), Maira Muradova (Community Service Coordinator), Bo Badejoko (Parent, potential Chair), Nabila Siddiqui (Heritage Celebration Committee Chair), Shawna Drummond (Principal), Michelle Newell (Principal), Deanna Zhao (Health and Wellness Coordinator), Tara Finch (Teacher Rep), Mirabel Berrade (Hot Lunch Coordinator), Wendy Lo (Parent), Rita Shen (Treasurer), Salina Bhimji (Kindergarten Representative), Kei Ramirez (Parent), Phone call, Adey O (Parental Partnership Coordinator)

2. Establish Quorum

1. The attendance of a majority of voting members constitutes a quorum (5/9)

2. Approval of Agenda Andrew Chu (Vice-Chair)

Andrew moves to approve by Unanimous Consent. Approved by unanimous consent.

3. Special Items Shawna Drummond (Principal Educator)

1. 2023/2024 Field Trip Fees – K: 124.75 – Grade 1: \$198 – Grade 2: \$251.30 – grade 3: \$223.05 – grade 4 - : \$257.05
2. Uniforms: putting forth the idea of a more athletic uniform – Middle School and High School do not have good changing room facilities and having a uniform option that was breathable, reduced odours, etc may be something to think about.

4. Secretary Report Heather Hadden (Secretary)

Andrew moves to approve Minutes of the April 19th, 2023 Meeting (see attached) by Unanimous Consent. Approved by unanimous consent.

5. Treasurer Report Rita Shen (Treasurer)

1. Financial Report – \$3168.42 in bank, \$8750 from Spellathon, \$13700 in account now. Heritage fest will cost about \$1000. Expenses are outstanding from some council members please get those in before the AGM. Deanna has \$130 outstanding, Theatre for Spring Concert deposit has not gone through – it is a pay after.

6. Teacher Representative Report TBD (Teacher Representative)

1. Thank you for the diffusers and oil!!!

2. Thank you for our lunch from Tuk Tuk
3. Positive feedback and praise for Heritage Fest
4. Propose to see if council will sponsor balloons for grade 4 grad

7. Principal Educator Report

Shawna Drummond (Principal Educator)

1. Field trips this month: K's- Science Center, 1's - Tyrrell Museum, 4's - ASC and community fund went to Evergreen Theatre and met with NEE grade 4s, went to middle school to do some bridging activities, 3's Ralph Klein Park
2. New Staff Members - Mr. Vick - EA hired out of Central to help with Grade 4, Kathleen Templeton Bandola - a returning FFCA teacher - Grade 1 intervention with Government Grant on literacy and numeracy
3. Researchers from UofA doing the last round of norming from Dr. Georgiou
4. Thank you to council and parent community - lots of parents have filled out feedback surveys
5. Thank you for your appreciation for us.
6. Spring Musical - almost at capacity of 1100, what a fun night
7. Heritage Festival - Chris McNabb: was floored and touched by the inclusive nature of our cultures
8. In line skating starts next week
9. Board Meeting May 24th at 5:30
10. June 1st Kindergarten Orientation
11. June 2nd is the grad walk
12. Literacy Session was on Monday and was very informative and the next one will be June 7th.

8. Heritage Celebration Committee Report

Nabila Siddiqui (Heritage Celebration Committee Chair)

1. Events to acknowledge before school year end- National Indigenous History Month, Indigenous People's Day - June 21st, Eid-ul-Adha - June 28 celebrated by Muslim community
2. Heritage Fest Review: 575 people, very proud of the kindergarten fashion show, Nabila reached out to each of the booths to let them know how wonderful they were. Starting the event with the Land Acknowledgement was very important and valuable. Stations were a huge hit. YYC Food Trucks would love to help at future events.
3. Motion to request extra funding for heritage fest: we went over budget at the last minute with some last minute decorations and outdoor speakers - \$318.00 more

Nabila motions to request \$318 to cover expenses. Andrew seconds. Motion carried.

9. Trixter Theater Committee Report

Janine Rudolph (Trixter Theater Committee Chair)

No update - application has been sent in and now we wait.

10. Advocacy Committee Report

TBD (Advocacy Committee Chair) or Andrew Chu (Vice-Chair)

No update

11. Community Services Coordinator Report

Mahira Muradova (Community Services Coordinator)

1. Grade 4 Celebration - can get balloons and golden backdrop can use for photos, could have 53 balloons about \$100, a banner that says Congratulations grade 4's, Nabila can create a sign, Deanna has a photobooth machine that they might be able to have functioning, photobooth needs to be spread out a bit so that we keep the line moving,

Maira motions to use \$100 buy balloons for the grade 4 grad. Mirabel seconds. Motion carried.

Andrew Motions to create Community Events Committee with the attached Terms of Reference. Maira seconds. Motion carried.

2. AGM – perhaps if it was a no homework night it would be an incentive to come out.
3. Welcome Back BBQ. We need to create a subcommittee – will need volunteers. Will need to have a couple meetings in the summer to make plans. Nabila will take on being the head of the subcommittee.
4. Kiss and Cry Tea – we will need to start planning asap with the new parent council.

12. Fun Lunch Coordinator Report

Mirabel Berrade (Fun Lunch Coordinator)

1. May 26th – Nam Vietnamese
2. Next Fun Lunch Day date - June 16th or 23rd? for June? Ask the teachers and get back to Mirabel by May 24th.
3. Would like feedback about hot lunches, about vendors on food choices. Get out a survey asap.
***Action Item* Mirabel and Andrew will work on a survey and get it out to families.**

13. Kindergarten Representative and ECS Special Snack Coordinator Report

Salina Bhimji (Kindergarten Representative)

1. Special Snack – Bearpaws – Oatmeal, apple juice and fruit roll up. Maira donating chocolate chip scones and popsicles in June – thank you to Cobb's aka Maira

14. Health and Wellness Report

Deanna Zhao (Health and Wellness Coordinator)

1. Fresh Food Friday – Quite underbudget, need to think about what to do for June? Smoothies?

15. Fundraising Coordinator Report

Mahira Muradova (Fundraising Coordinator)

1. Has a document for the Fundraising Position and will pass to Andrew – will upload into the website, Andrew will help if need be.
2. Apple Fundraiser in the fall confirmation – will connect with Olga at Middle School, Maira will run it through the summer if need be, Once there is a person, Maira will pass on to them.
3. Suggestion to only run big fundraisers (apple, spell-a-thon and Christmas). Timeline to show when and what fundraisers worked out big in the past.

16. Parental Partnership Report

Ade Onasanya and Janine Rudolph (Parental Partnership Coordinator)

1. Parental Partnership Hours Report – 2970.5hours logged, 56 families that have not logged hours at all.
2. Send any questions about volunteering categories or about what kind of hours can be logged, if you volunteer at an event and attend the event how do you log hours, homework volunteer hours, to Adey and she will pass them on to Andrew.
3. No Homework certificates for 20 + volunteer hours – electronic
4. Raffle draw gift items update: For 60+ hours of volunteering there will be: 2 sets of Zoo Admission passes of 1 adult and 1 child in each set AND 2 sets of Telus Spark passes of 1 adult and 1 child in each set. Any remaining families, who have 60+ volunteer hours and are not drawn, will be put into the next draws. There are 2, \$50 Amazon Gift Cards and 10, \$20 Amazon Gift Cards. There are key chains to use in the raffle as well.
 Suggestion made for discount vouchers for InSchool Wear for a future raffle.
1. Swim Day Volunteers: The minimum is 5 per class but no maximum for volunteers for the pool.

17. Communication Coordinator Report

Marina Lakhani (Communication Coordinator)

No report

Newsletter is due the 24th. The newsletter will go out on the 31st.

Chair Report

Andrew Chu (Vice-Chair)

1. Alberta School Councils' Association Annual General Meeting Report (see attached)
2. The Association of FFCA School Councils Report
3. Alberta School Council Engagement Grant
 1. May 15th Parent Literacy Night Report

Andrew motions to approve \$567 to continue using ffca-parent.com for another year, with \$500 of it funded from the Alberta School Council Engagement Grant for 2023/2024. Maira seconds. Motion carried.

4. Annual General Meeting
 1. AGM Notice sent out May 9th
 2. Movie Ticket Update – cash at the end of the AGM if they have reserved.
 3. Report to Community and Board: <https://www.ffca-parent.com/f/31485> - please give to Andrew before the 24th. Andrew can take physical or digital copies. Get all passwords to Andrew with the username, site and password.
5. Board Meeting
 1. May 24th at our Campus: Andrew, Heather, Nabila,

18. Other Items

Andrew Chu (Vice-Chair)

1. 2022/2023 Goals and Work Plan
 1. Goals
 1. **Collectively contribute 20 hours x 237 families (4740 hours) by April 30th, 2023**
 2. Explanatory Videos and Tutorials
 1. What Is School Council?:
 1. <https://www.ffca-parent.com/s/Kz7kdJ9SNMBWNDP>
 2. Recruitment Video
 1. Chair/Vice-Chair: <https://www.ffca-parent.com/s/BWgsFQJrCsBBPGL>
 2. Communications Coordinator: <https://www.ffca-parent.com/s/7XLGisTMnpPsyH>
 3. Kindergarten Representative and Special Snack: <https://www.ffca-parent.com/s/r2wmNSAntKTYIKF>
 4. Heritage Celebration Committee: <https://www.ffca-parent.com/s/6c53yEbNpMrmBc5>
 5. Secretary: <https://www.ffca-parent.com/s/iYDzdYyPZpDD5JD>
 6. Community Services Coordinator:

2. Close out Action Items for the Year
 - See 2022/2023 School Council - NWE Action Items - Deck - FFCA Parent Community (ffca-parent.com)

3. Closing Comments

Andrew – this council has been amazing this year. Everybody put in amazing effort and everything we did – just phenomenal.

Nabila – Thank you to everyone

Michelle – an amazing example of parental partnership

Meeting adjourned at 9:14pm.



Community Events Committee Terms of Reference

Mandate

1. Plan and Organize Community Events
 1. [Maintain a community calendar](#)
 1. [Minimize overlapping events between campuses that siblings attend and schedule around special occasions](#)
 2. [Take and gather photos of events with consideration of FFCA's Media Waiver](#)
2. Help with the Heritage Celebration Event if requested by the Heritage Celebration Committee
3. Create pre-event and/or post-event surveys as needed
4. [The Chair manages the following and may only delegate or share information as specified:](#)
 1. [Council's Eventbrite Account](#)
 1. [The Chair may share responsibility of the Eventbrite account with any Council Member](#)
 2. [The Chair may delegate event "Check-Ins" to committee members and event volunteers using the Eventbrite Organizer app](#)
 2. [Council's communityeventnwe@gmail.com email account](#)
 1. [The Chair may only share contact information with committee members and event volunteers if consent is given by the person who interacted with that email account](#)

Term

This Committee will exist until dissolved by School Council

Composition

Chair: Community Services Coordinator

Members: Anyone else in the school community who wants to volunteer

Fun Lunch Survey

11 responses

Summary Responses

Were you generally happy with the food selections/dietary options?

Radio buttons

1. 6 (55%): 😊😊😊😊😊😊
2. 2 (18%): 😊😊😊😊😊😊
3. 2 (18%): 😐😐😐😐😐😐
4. 1 (9%): 😞😞
5. 0 (0%): No response
6. 0 (0%): 😞

What changes would you like to see to fun lunch?

Short answer

- **5 (45%): No response**
- Have Opa, Thai Express, Burger King
- Stick to foods most kids enjoy and will actually eat. Pizza, Subway, Burgers. Some of the options this year seemed like a good idea but children either didn't want them, or thought they did and then didn't eat them.
- Including some Halal vendors would be great! All vendors were great but sometimes their vegetarian options are limited especially for picky veggie eaters. Thank you!
- More diversity and maybe healthier options
- More ethnic food options.
- More healthy food options would be appreciated.

Please Rate Edo

Radio buttons

1. 6 (55%): ★★★★★★
2. 3 (27%): ★★★★★★
3. 1 (9%): Did Not Order
4. 1 (9%): ★★★★★★
5. 0 (0%): No response
6. 0 (0%): ★★
7. 0 (0%): ★

Please Rate Out of Chaos Cookies

Radio buttons

1. 5 (45%): ★★★★★

2. 2 (18%): Did Not Order
3. 2 (18%): ★★★★★
4. 1 (9%): ★★★★★
5. 1 (9%): ★
6. 0 (0%): No response
7. 0 (0%): ★★

Please Rate Spolumbos

Radio buttons

1. 3 (27%): **Did Not Order**
2. 3 (27%): ★★★★★
3. 3 (27%): ★★★★★
4. 2 (18%): ★★★★★
5. 0 (0%): No response
6. 0 (0%): ★★
7. 0 (0%): ★

Please Rate Jelly Modern Doughnuts

Radio buttons

1. 3 (27%): **Did Not Order**
2. 3 (27%): ★★★★★
3. 2 (18%): ★★★★★
4. 2 (18%): ★★★★★
5. 1 (9%): ★★★★★
6. 0 (0%): No response
7. 0 (0%): ★

Please Rate Opa!

Radio buttons

1. 5 (45%): ★★★★★
2. 4 (36%): ★★★★★
3. 1 (9%): Did Not Order
4. 1 (9%): ★★★★★
5. 0 (0%): No response
6. 0 (0%): ★★
7. 0 (0%): ★

Please Rate Cinnaholic

Radio buttons

1. 3 (27%): ★★★★★
2. 3 (27%): ★★★★★

3. 3 (27%): ★★☆☆
4. 2 (18%): Did Not Order
5. 0 (0%): No response
6. 0 (0%): ★★☆☆
7. 0 (0%): ★☆☆☆

Please Rate McDonald's

Radio buttons

1. 4 (36%): ★★★★★★
2. 4 (36%): ★★★★★★
3. 1 (9%): Did Not Order
4. 1 (9%): ★★★★★★
5. 1 (9%): ★★☆☆
6. 0 (0%): No response
7. 0 (0%): ★☆☆☆

Please Rate Mucho Burrito

Radio buttons

1. 6 (55%): ★★★★★★
2. 2 (18%): ★★★★★★
3. 2 (18%): ★★★★★★
4. 1 (9%): Did Not Order
5. 0 (0%): No response
6. 0 (0%): ★★☆☆
7. 0 (0%): ★☆☆☆

Please Rate Via Cibo

Radio buttons

1. 6 (55%): ★★★★★★
2. 4 (36%): ★★★★★★
3. 1 (9%): Did Not Order
4. 0 (0%): No response
5. 0 (0%): ★★★★★★
6. 0 (0%): ★★☆☆
7. 0 (0%): ★☆☆☆

Please Rate Saucy Bread Company

Radio buttons

1. 6 (55%): ★★★★★★
2. 2 (18%): ★★★★★★
3. 1 (9%): Did Not Order

4. 1 (9%): ★★★★★
5. 1 (9%): ★★
6. 0 (0%): No response
7. 0 (0%): ★

Please Rate NAM Vietnamese

Radio buttons

1. 4 (36%): ★★★★★
2. 4 (36%): ★★★★★
3. 2 (18%): ★
4. 1 (9%): No response
5. 0 (0%): ★★★★★
6. 0 (0%): ★★

Please Rate Jugo Juice

Radio buttons

1. 4 (36%): ★★★★★
2. 3 (27%): Did Not Order
3. 3 (27%): ★★★★★
4. 1 (9%): ★★★★★
5. 0 (0%): No response
6. 0 (0%): ★★
7. 0 (0%): ★

Please Rate Coco Brooks Pizza

Radio buttons

1. 6 (55%): ★★★★★
2. 2 (18%): Did Not Order
3. 1 (9%): ★★★★★
4. 1 (9%): ★★★★★
5. 1 (9%): ★★
6. 0 (0%): No response
7. 0 (0%): ★

Please leave any additional comments here, including anything related to your rating of any of the vendors

Long text

- **9 (82%): No response**
- It was too much to order food and dessert on the same day. It should be either food or dessert. Cans of juice and pop should never be an option. They are too big for elementary kids.
- Thank you for organizing! Could add sushi as an option!

Ride Share, Before-School Care, and/or After-School Care Survey

44 responses (includes 24 responses from last year)

Summary Responses

Which of these describe your situation? (Check all that apply)

Checkboxes

1. 27 (61%): **I am looking for ride sharing**
2. 22 (50%): I am looking for after-school care
3. 15 (34%): I am looking for before-school care
4. 10 (23%): I would be happy to offer ride sharing
5. 1 (2%): No response

Do you have after-school care at any of these locations?

Checkboxes

1. 31 (70%): **No response**
2. 8 (18%): Other
3. 4 (9%): Vivo for Healthier Generations
4. 3 (7%): Kids Club Calgary
5. 1 (2%): Shane Homes YMCA at Rocky Ridge

Would you be interested in after-school care at one of these locations if transportation could be arranged?

Checkboxes

1. 19 (43%): **No response**
2. 15 (34%): Shane Homes YMCA at Rocky Ridge
3. 12 (27%): Vivo for Healthier Generations
4. 9 (20%): Other

If you answered "Other", please list the location(s) you have in mind:

Short answer

- **34 (77%): No response**
- Something in the School
- Anything closer to the school
- Beddington before and after school program (BASP)
- Inschool care
- In an area close to NWE
- Active Start Sage Hill, Crowfoot YMCA,
- Bowness
- Active Start Childcare centre
- In-School would be amazing. I hear highwood has a contract with Kids come first, and I would love if FFCA NWE would have a similar program.
- Any Dayhomes

Please select all neighbourhoods from which you may be interested in working out a ride share with

Checkboxes

1. 8 (18%): **No response**

2. 8 (18%): **Evanston**
3. 8 (18%): **Nolan Hill**
4. 8 (18%): **Panorama Hills**
5. 8 (18%): **Sherwood**
6. 6 (14%): Sage Hill
7. 5 (11%): Kincora
8. 5 (11%): Other
9. 3 (7%): Citadel
10. 3 (7%): Country Hills
11. 3 (7%): Hamptons
12. 2 (5%): Arbour Lake
13. 2 (5%): Bowness
14. 2 (5%): Hawkwood
15. 2 (5%): Ranchlands
16. 2 (5%): Royal Oak
17. 2 (5%): Scenic Acres
18. 2 (5%): Silver Springs
19. 2 (5%): Tuscany
20. 2 (5%): Varsity
21. 1 (2%): Banff Trail
22. 1 (2%): Collingwood
23. 1 (2%): Dalhousie
24. 1 (2%): Edgemont
25. 1 (2%): Greenwood/Greenbriar
26. 1 (2%): Hidden Valley
27. 1 (2%): Montgomery
28. 1 (2%): Parkdale
29. 1 (2%): St. Andrews Heights
30. 1 (2%): University Heights
31. 1 (2%): University of Calgary
32. 0 (0%): MacEwan Glen
33. 0 (0%): Point McKay
34. 0 (0%): Rocky Ridge
35. 0 (0%): Royal Vista
36. 0 (0%): Sandstone Valley
37. 0 (0%): Valley Ridge

If you selected "Other", please list the neighbourhoods that did not appear in the list

Short answer

- **35 (80%): No response**
- Harvest Hills
- Rockland Park
- Livingston
- Crestmont
- Carrington, Livingston
- Carrington/ Livingston
- Brentwood
- Mount Pleasant

Do you have any other comments?

Long text

- **36 (82%): No response**
- I would really appreciate if there could be an after school program at the school itself preferably. If that is not an option, please arrange transportation to vivo or brightpath creekside.
- No
- The bus ride from Crestmont / Valley Ridge is quite long. For example, our daughter doesn't get home until 5pm after school. We know that others in the community have pulled their kids out of FFCA for this reason, and that others have had to find other arrangements to avoid spending 3 hours a day on the bus. We don't want the cost of transportation to go up for just a few students, but this also will be a self-reinforcing decision. Parents in the community attempted to call attention to this issue last year but were denied any change.
- I currently use Wanda for after school care but I am concerned about what options are available if she decides not to continue to provide care.
- 1. In-school care could be an option to be considered from safety and ease of commute perspective. 2. My son goes to KG, and so two way bussing could be considered instead of ride share.
- We dont currently need the ride sharing for now but we may in a few months. There will be some changes with mine and my spouse's work schedules and potentially going back to the office instead of WFH. So this is something we are interested in, although not urgently.
- Bowness is the community with lot of schools except FFCA elementary school, if we have school in bowness or Montgomery that will help.
- We are very fortunate to currently have afterschool care with Wanda right now, but since Ruthanne is no longer providing B&A care, we are worried about what options we might have if she were ever to retire. We have another child that will be going to FFCA in 4 yrs, and though it's early, it never hurts to starts considering other options to prepare. Wanda is currently full and I see on the NWE facebook group that there are other parents who have struggled to find B&A care, and are having to rely on family/friends to help. That may work, but can be very stressful and inconsistent for both child and parent. Is it possible to investigate options for afterschool care providers that could operate out of the gymnasium outside of school hours to create an in-school program that is both convenient, trusted and safe? Another consideration is extending this program to FFCA junior high students in grade 5-7, who I understand can take the school bus to the NWE. I also heard that the Kids come first program at highwood welcomes older colonel Irvine Junior high students to volunteer/work to support the elementary school B&A program and highwood to help develop their leadership skills.

School Council – NWE would like to thank you for completing the “Ride Share, Before and/or After-School Care Survey” and giving permission to share your email with others who completed the survey.

Attached, you will find the summarized results of the survey. Of particular note while analysing the survey results are:

1. The discovery of the non-profit [Children Come First Association](#) that runs an Out of School Care program across the street at Highwood School and may be interested in creating a new location.
2. While discussing this at The Association of FFCA School Councils’ last meeting, another potential partner organisation was identified: [1st Class - After Class \(1stclassafterclass.com\)](#)

School Council – NWE currently has a vacancy for an Advocacy Committee Chair and Committee Members. One of the roles of the currently non-existent Advocacy Committee is:

“Consider and undertake other activities as necessary for the advocacy of the FFCA NWE community”

Any of you are welcome to take the lead in this role and recruit others among you to explore potential ways to partner with either of the organisations in 1. or 2. above (or any other ideas) and work towards a solution for the dilemma that yourselves and potentially others in the community face. Please let us know if you are willing to take this on and we can incorporate the committee into the work of School Council - NWE.

Many of you have approached School Council wanting to connect with other parents who are interested in ride sharing. School Council – NWE does not endorse such an endeavour and would like to point out that there can be many risks associated with participating in ride sharing.

While School Council – NWE has no control over what you do with the contact details that you agreed to share with each other, you are fully responsible for what you do with this information and School Council – NWE takes no liability whatsoever for any action you choose to take after receiving this information.

That being said, there are a few things that you should consider to protect all parties involved if such an arrangement were to be made privately between any of you:

- drivers should notify their personal car insurance regarding their change in the purpose of their driving
- consider the ride shares as volunteer drivers and ask for clean abstracts, notification of any incidents / demerits during the year as well as a minimum of \$2M Third Party Liability on the automobile insurance. Copies of such details can be forwarded to FFCA Central Office to store on behalf of all parties in case they need to be referred to in the future.

We hope that this survey served you well and we hope that we can be of service to you again for any other matters that you would like to raise in the future.



June 12, 2023

Re: Important Information Regarding Your School Councils and ASCA

Foundations for the Future Charter:

I hope this letter finds you well, and that the 2023-2024 school year will be a very successful one for both your students and staff!

On behalf of the ASCA Board of Directors, I would like to thank you for renewing the ASCA Membership for the school councils in your division. In the coming weeks, we will send "*invitation emails*" to each school council contact we have on record, providing the opportunity to create a password for the ASCA Members Only section of our website. It is imperative that we have the most up-to-date email address of each school council's chair (or designate) for this email to be received by the appropriate member of each school council.

Please click on the following link to view the location of the Members Only section: [ASCA Webpage Members Only section](#).

ASCA will abide by all relevant legislation (Societies Act, Canadian Anti-Spam Legislation (CASL), FOIP, and PIPPA) with respect to how any contact information will be used; **I would be grateful for any assistance you can provide for this important task.** If you have a list of school council contacts you can share with us, please send it to support@albertaschoolcouncils.ca. If ASCA doesn't have a school council contact on record, the email will be sent to each school's principal, asking that it be forwarded to the School Council Chair.

Please note: A designated contact from your school division will also receive access to the Members Only Webpage – please provide the contact information for your designated contact, so that we are able to send them the *invitation email* as well.

Parent Voice Through School Councils

Every school council membership strengthens the collective parent voice through school councils in provincial education. ASCA is committed to ensuring parents are valued and informed education partners and will continue to present the parent perspective, provided by its Member School Councils, to the government and others in provincial education.

ASCA wants to ensure the voices of school councils in your school division are well represented – supported and inspired by their trustees. ASCA resources maintain consistent messages to promote school councils and parents working with school boards in a collaborative manner, and supporting the goals related to school improvement and student achievement that have been established by the board.

Purchasing membership for your school councils enables that the parent voice continues to be carried to the provincial level in education. Through ASCA's Advocacy Resolutions process, occurring each year at our Annual General Meeting, *school councils are encouraged to work with their school boards to ensure alignment with division goals*. The collective voice of parents then becomes Association Policy, presented to the government and others in provincial education.

What You Need to Do

- ✓ Provide School Council Contact information if possible (support@albertaschoolcouncils.ca)
- ✓ Provide **School Division contact person/information for access to the ASCA Members Only section** (to support@albertaschoolcouncils.ca)

Should you prefer this email be sent to someone other than yourself, please reply with that person's name and contact information, and I will redirect it right away.

I look forward to hearing back from you and welcome a discussion at any time of how ASCA can support your division's school council goals and parent engagement strategies, contributing to system assurance within your school division.

Kindest Regards,



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