

GETTING TO KNOW THE EARL GREY SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL OF 2023/2024

1. What is the Earl Grey School Parent Council?

The Parent Council is a way to share parent and community perspectives on school decisions that impact the learning opportunities for students at Earl Grey. The council advises the principal and Calgary Board of Education (CBE) Board of Trustees on matters related to Earl Grey School.

2. What does the Earl Grey Parent Council offer?

The Council offers community, sense of belonging, a voice, fundraising, teamwork, and resources for students and families. Please join us at a Parent Council meeting to learn more.

3. Where can I find out more details regarding fundraising?

We have exciting fundraising events going on all year round such as a Bake Sale, Blaze Pizza Nights, Healthy Hunger Fun Lunches, 50/50 raffles, Casino Fundraiser, Purdy's Chocolate, Art Cards and much more!

Some of the fundraising initiatives take place during concerts/musicals and school social events. Make watch for Mr. Lowe's Friday messages containing further details.

4. Is it always the same fundraising events or does it change?

The fundraising events change every year; we are always open to new ideas and welcome your creativity.

5. What factors determine which fundraisers are selected?

We assess factors such as the previous success of the fundraiser, bylaws, profitability, and popularity.

6. Who decides the fundraising events and the details such as occurrences each year?

The Fundraising Committee plans the fundraising events with the support of the Earl Grey staff, parent volunteers, and Parent Council.

7. Who runs the Fundraising Committee?

The Fundraising Committee are parent volunteers and the Parent Council. This year Teresa Loch is the Fundraising Coordinator.



8. Where does the money from the fundraising go?

Fundraising benefits our students directly. School purchases and decisions are made by elected Parent Council Members and the School Administration. Everyone from the community is welcome. We encourage you to attend the Parent Council meetings to learn more regarding the school financials and to be involved in decisions made.

9. What is the Casino Fundraiser?

The biggest fundraiser for Earl Grey School is the Casino Fundraiser. Historically, Earl Grey School raised between \$65,000 and \$75,000. The Casino Fundraiser may only occur every 18 months. The next will be in October, November, or December of 2024 at the Elbow River Casino.

10. What is Fun Lunch?

Also known as Healthy Hunger, Fun Lunch is a fundraiser put on by Parent Council. Lunches are ordered by parents through the Healthy Hunger website and delivered to the school. Fun lunches are fun for the kids and a great way to give our families a break from making lunches- a win-win! A small profit is made from this program.

11. How can I help volunteer and get involved?

We are always looking for support!

We rely on parents, grandparents, siblings, and community members sharing their time, treasure, and talent. This is what makes Earl Grey School an exceptional community. We welcome new ideas that will benefit our school community.

Each class will be looking for Classroom Representatives. Let your child's teacher know how you would like to get involved.

For opportunities to be more involved throughout the year, watch the Friday messages or messages sent from Class Representatives or teachers.

If you are volunteering directly with students, you will need to complete a security clearance. Please find more information here on how to apply (or reapply if your clearance has expired): https://www.cbe.ab.ca/get-involved/volunteer/Pages/volunteer.aspx

If you have any questions or ideas, we encourage you to connect with us!

We look forward to a wonderful year at Earl Grey School!



EARL GREY PARENT COUNCIL LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS & SUPPORTERS 2023-2024

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