

## Charles Dickens PAC

All Parents/Guardians of children attending Charles Dickens, annex & main schools, are automatically members of the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) which unites the two school communities into one cohesive group. Members of the PAC Executive (PAC Exec) are elected by you at an Annual General Meeting (AGM) in June each year.

### What does the PAC do?

Led by the PAC Exec, the PAC promotes community and enhances the student experience with funds raised each year.

#### Activities funded by the PAC include:

- Author and Artist visits
- Dance Lessons: Hip-Hop, Bollywood, Square Dance etc
- Healthy Living Week
- Student Clubs: Book Club, Chess, Gardening, etc.
- Technology: Laptops, Overhead Projectors, Tablets etc
- Various Field Trips

#### Annual projects organised by the PAC include:

- Spring Fling (our carnival fundraiser & community event)
- Winterruption Hop 'n Nosh (family dance party)
- Holiday Hampers (a drive for families in need)
- Staff Appreciation Lunch
- Guest Speaker Evenings (info sessions for parents/guardians)

These projects rely heavily on Parental/Guardian support. There are lots of opportunities to get involved, even if you are not on the PAC Executive. The PAC Exec also meets regularly with the School Administration and communicates back via our blog and parent email program.

### STAY INFORMED!

Subscribe to the **Charles Dickens PAC BLOG** at [dickenspac.blogspot.ca](http://dickenspac.blogspot.ca) to find out how to get involved, and receive updates on news and events. Any questions can be sent to our email at [dickens.pac@gmail.com](mailto:dickens.pac@gmail.com)

### District and BC Councils

At the school-district level, Dickens parents/guardians have a voice in the system through the District Parent Advisory Councils (DPAC) and through the BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (BCCPAC). Both DPAC and BCCPAC advocate for public education at the provincial level. The Charles Dickens PAC Exec is a member of both DPAC and BCCPAC.