Sharing Their Dreams

Instituting a Parent Advisory Council

Staff of the Halton Hills Public Library
Who We Are

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**Why?**

**How?**
HHPL
Halton Hills Public Library
WHY?

PAC: A Parent-Focused Philosophy
Why a Parent Advisory Council?

◎ Caregivers ARE Our Business
◎ Family Engagement
◎ Understanding Drivers
◎ Information Sources
Framework for Participation
Supporting Independent Initiatives
Acting Together
Deciding Together
Consultation
Information
“I think the PAC is a **fantastic** idea, and **gutsy** on the part of HHPL. So many service providers wouldn't want to open themselves to **potential criticism** or even **asks** that are too large to fathom. I commend you for spearheading this initiative and leading us in a fulsome discussion of the **community's needs.** Well done!” - a PAC parent
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I'm so sad we missed it

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didn't attend either but saw the pictures!

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I loved it!!

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No, we chose not to as it's not something our family supports.

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PAC: A Valuable Resource
How it All Began

◎ Market Segmentation

◎ Strategic Plan
  ◎ Strategic Priority B
    ○ Strategic Goals B.1
      ● Operational Objective B 1.1
        ◎ My Goals
Steps To a Parent Advisory Council

1. Strategic Plan
2. Research
3. Report
4. Establish Procedures
5. Implementation
6. Promotion
7. Review
Decisions and Concerns

- Choosing social media
- Questions that raise conflicting opinions
- Personal vs. public
- Formal vs. informal questions
- Tone
- Frequency
- Moderation
Questions?

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Children with good library experiences

Strong library services

Adequate library funding

Election of pro library officials

Empowered and engaged parents

Library supporters
Description

This is the Facebook group for Halton Hills Public Library's Parent Advisory Council (PAC). Its purpose is to enhance communication between parents and library staff, and to solicit feedback on library programs and services. We hope to engage with parents of children between the ages of birth to young adult, and to increase our understanding of parents' library experiences.
Code of Conduct

1. Be kind and courteous
2. Bullying of any kind isn't allowed, and degrading comments about race, religion, culture, sexual orientation, gender or identity will not be tolerated.
3. No promotions or spam.
4. Respect the privacy of others.
5. The group admin can deny entry to any member they choose or to delete members not complying with the group’s code of conduct.