## Support the W.L. Mackenzie C.I. Parent Council

## Your Parent Council Needs You!

Join the Parent Council to get involved in your child's future. Help set the priorities to help your student succeed. We need to hear from you so we can be sure we are doing the right things for your children.

2019 Parent Council Meetings		
□ Jan. 9 □ April 10		□ March 6 □ June 5
6:30 p.m. in the Library		

Want to keep the conversation going between meetings? What to share your opinions and ideas? Want to join a community of local parents who have the same goal of making Mackenzie the best experience to help your child grow — and thrive — throughout high school and beyond? Then join the W.L. Mackenzie C.I. Parent Council Facebook group at



## www.tinyurl.com/ParentCouncilFacebook

## 2019 Parent Council initiatives (so far!)

Here are just a few of the priorities your Parent Council is working this school year:

- The P.A.R.T. (Program Area Review) process: Concerned about over-crowding? Want to keep the MaCS program? Want to keep having a Gifted program? Should the school boundaries be expanded? Should they be smaller? Are new classrooms required? Should there be more portables or fewer of them? What about Optional Attendance? We're advocating on YOUR behalf!
- Improved communication and parent engagement: Want to know more about what's going on in your child's life at school? Want to influence the programs Mackenzie has? Already this school year, we've updated the school website, created a Facebook group, worked with the school administration to provide timely information in a variety of ways and increased the number of Parent Council meetings.
- Setting budget priorities: Should new classrooms be built in the library to ease over-crowding? Should wifi coverage be improved? Would subsidizing a breakfast program help improve student success? Do we need better band equipment? Computer equipment? A fitness centre? Help us determine the budget priorities.
- **Fundraising:** How can we help pay for the things that matter most to the Mackenzie community? We've already started a FundScrip campaign at <u>www.tinyurl.com/FundScripMackenzie</u> where you can buy gift cards to many popular retailers and a portion of each sale goes to the school. More ideas are welcomed.
- Your child's success: How can the Parent Council help maintain a healthy and safe learning environment that is inclusive? How can we help shape the best possible education and standards for our children? We work together with the Administration in serving student needs and best interests.

Join the Facebook group. Come to a meeting. Keep up with the various activities. Get more involved in your child's success by supporting your Parent Council today.