

DALHOUSIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNCIL

Operating Procedures/ Bylaws 2024-2025 School Year



NAME The name of the School Council shall be Dalhousie Elementary School Council

MISSION To foster well-being and affectivness of our school community and to enhance student learning

GOALS The goals of the school council, in keeping with the School Act and the School Councils Regulation, are to:

- Provide advice (i.e., input) to the school principal and employees on issues of importance, such as the school philosophy, mission and vision, school discipline policies, school improvement plans, programs and budget allocations to meet student needs
 - Stimulate continuous improvement through meaningful involvement by all members of the school community
 - Facilitate collaboration among concerned participants of the school community
 - Support the school in its efforts to focus teachers' time and school resources on the essential tasks of teaching and learning
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GOVERNANCE

Representative Model

- The membership of the school council shall consist of: All parents of students enrolled in Dalhousie Elementary School
 - Parents elected represent all of the school community
 - Principal of Dalhousie Elementary School
 - One or more teachers from Dalhousie Elementary School, appointed or elected by the teachers at Dalhousie Elementary school (can be rotating)
 - A community member, selected by the council (optional)
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MEMBERSHIP

Representative Model

- The positions of the executive committee shall consist of: Chairperson, vice chairperson, secretary and treasurer (if required)
- All executive positions must be filled by parents of students enrolled at Dalhousie Elementary School
- Every member of the school council and/or parent of a student enrolled at Dalhousie Elementary School are eligible
- To be elected to an executive position on the school council, the terms of office are from the annual general meeting one year to the next annual general meeting the following year
- Executive of the school council can be elected by parents of students enrolled at Dalhousie Elementary School attending the annual general meeting or at the first school council meeting by school council members

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DECISION MAKING

Decisions at school council meetings will be made by consensus as much as possible. The decision made by consensus must be stated clearly and recorded as such in the minutes of the meeting.

If a decision is made by a vote, the motion must be moved, and seconded and passed by the majority of school council members.

Robert's Rules will be used exclusively for the election of members of the executive committee, when voting is required to determine a decision that can not be made by consensus, and, when necessary, to make amendments to the Dalhousie School Council Operating Procedures/Bylaws

QUORUM

Quorum will be attained when the majority of voting members present at a meeting are parents of students enrolled in Dalhousie Elementary School. As parents elected to Dalhousie Elementary School Council Executive are elected to represent all of the school community, there shall be no less than 2 executive members required to attain quorum.