

Davisville JPS/MTSD School Council Notice of Elections and First Meeting

Dear fellow parents:

Welcome, or welcome back, to Davisville JPS/MTSD! We have a lot things to discuss and work on this year. Our elections and first meeting will be on Tuesday, September 27th, 6:45-8pm. More notices will be sent closer to the date.

Redevelopment

Formal discussions with the Board began at the end of last year, and will continue this year. They are currently scheduled to finish in January 2012. While it is likely this date will have to be pushed back, it is just as likely that it will occur before the end of the school year. That makes 2011/12 an especially important year for parents to get involved. **The younger your child is, the more likely it is that s/he will be directly affected by any redevelopment plans. JK/SK Parents: We know you just got here, but we need you to come out and get involved!**

Last year, Council formed a Building and Land Use (BLU) committee to discuss and form recommendations on redevelopment. These recommendations will be passed on to Council and put to a general vote open to all parents.

For more information on redevelopment, see our website: <http://davisvilleparents.com/redevelopment>.

Council Elections: Candidates very much needed!

We really need parents to come forward to fill Council positions this year. We are expanding our voting member positions beyond the executive roles of Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. These new positions will be associated with one or more responsibilities that were previously taken on either by one of the executive members or by a non-member. By doing this, we hope to make the executive positions less daunting by spreading responsibilities among more parents, and also recognize all parents that take on major roles by giving them a vote.

Council members are expected to attend all council meetings (4-5 a year) so they report to Council on their work and participate in discussions and voting. Council positions may be filled by either one person, or by two people who agree to perform the role together and who share the single vote associated with the position. Members may form ad-hoc committees of parent volunteers to assist them. The executive positions are required, but the exact nature of the non-executive roles are open for discussion.

Chair (Executive)	Schedules Council meetings and prepares agendas. Ensures meetings proceed smoothly and properly. Meets with administration to discuss issues at the school. Makes sure that Council business is run according to Ministry guidelines and Council bylaws.
Secretary (Executive)	Takes minutes at Council meetings, ensures they are available publicly on web site and in Council binder. Checks Council mail box.
Treasurer (Executive)	Manages Council accounts. Provides cheques for expenditures, deposits incoming funds. Reports to Council on financial status. Arranges for cash boxes at fundraising events when necessary.
Fund-Raising	Plans and oversees fund-raising activities.
Redevelopment	Represents council at LSCDT redevelopment meetings, attends BLU committee.
Education & Safety	Works with admin and staff on education and safety issues at the school. Recruits and communicates with Class Parents.
Communication	Maintains and improves communication channels with community.
Fun Fair	Plans and runs Fun Fair.
Eco-School	Works with school to promote eco-friendly planning and policies.

Please consider taking on one of these roles this year! We need you! Fill out the self-nomination form on the other side of this sheet and return it to school with your child, or drop it off at the office. Thanks!

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SCHOOL COUNCIL PARENT SELF-NOMINATION FORM

I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent/guardian representative on the school council.

Name:

Address:

Home Phone

Email:

Business Phone:

Are you an employee of the board? (circle one) Yes OR No

Child's Name:

Candidate's
Signature:

Date:

I would like to be a candidate for the following positions
(circle one or more)

Chair

Secretary

Treasurer

Fund-Raising

Redevelopment

Education & Safety

Communication

Fun-Fair

Eco-School

Other: _____

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