

Evans Elementary PAC

October 2020 Newsletter

Upcoming Events and Fundraisers

Coupon Books

- Your child will be bringing home the annual coupon book shortly. Each book is \$10. Please return money and order form to the school no later than OCTOBER 30th!

November 4 - PAC Meeting

- Mark your calendars! Our first official PAC meeting will be held at 6:30pm in the Evans Gym. Due to COVID Capacity restrictions we ask that you please RSVP by email:
evanselementarypac@hotmail.com

Hot Lunch!

- Hot Lunch will be happening this year. We will be ordering from specific restaurants that have pre-packaged options. Keep your eyes on Mr. Gemmell's weekly updates for info on when this will begin.

Santa Store (December)

- We are looking for donations of 75-100 identical small items that can be wrapped for kids to purchase at our annual Santa Store. Please contact us via email if you'd like to donate.

Welcome!

Welcome to another fun filled year at Evans Elementary! While this year may look different, we are excited to bring some new and exciting ideas to our school with the help of our new principal, Mr Gemmell. Your executive team has been working hard over the past month with Mr. Gemmell to brainstorm some ways we can still have many of our regular activities, hot lunches and fundraisers while still following the districts COVID guidelines. You will be receiving monthly PAC newsletters throughout the school year to keep you updated on all PAC events.

What is PAC?

PAC or (Parent Advisory Council) is a collective unit of parents that gather to discuss matters and fundraise money to support initiatives within their school. Did you know that all parents/guardians of children in a school are members of the Parent Advisory Council. Parents voices add tremendous value to the school. Our collective is more than just fundraising, it is an important bridge between parents and staff. At meetings parents discuss what they'd like to see in their school (fundraisers etc) and items that may effect your child's education and learning atmosphere.

Where does the money fundraised go?

Money raised through fundraising is used to directly benefit the students of Evans Elementary. This year we will be fundraising for some very exciting upgrades:

- *New* Filtered Water Dispensing System
- Gym Equipment, Books for the Library
- Technology Upgrades (new laptops)
- Projector System for the gym

Meet Your Executive



Jennifer O'Connell **Vice President**

A stay at home mother of 6 kids, Jen is a veteran Evans parent of 14 years. She currently has a son in grade 4.



Erika Penner **Treasurer**

A 3 year PAC Veteran and mother of 2 girls. She is passionate about simple minimalist living and lover of the outdoors.



Angela Vermeer **Secretary**

Angela is a full-time working mom of two daughters, her youngest is in grade 1. This is her 2nd year on PAC.



Jodi Luck **Member at Large**

A 3 year PAC veteran and long time volunteer at the school. Many of your kids will recognize her as one of the noon hour supervisors.



Erica Hansom **Member at Large** **DPAC Rep**

Erica is a stay at home mom of 3 busy girls. Two currently attend Evans in Grade 2 and 3. This is her first year on PAC.

Why we need volunteers?

More Hands make lighter work! We would love to see all parents and guardians of students participate. Give a little, give a lot! Either way it feels good to be involved! Whether you work full time, part-time, or are a stay at home parent it is possible to be involved in some capacity and your support makes ALL the difference.

When are meetings?

All Parents and Guardians have an open invitation to attend our monthly PAC meetings held on the **FIRST Wednesday of each month @ 6:30pm** in the gym. It's a great hour meeting once a month where the atmosphere is very light, we discuss upcoming fundraisers and events, bring forth issues and get updates from the Principal. PAC meetings are also where we also vote on where to allocate funds we raise. Maybe there is a fundraiser you would like to see or bring something to the schools attention; a PAC meeting is a great environment to do so! Due to COVID Capacity restrictions we kindly ask that you RSVP to evanselementarypac@hotmail.com

Open Positions

Due to the closing of schools in March last year we were unable to fill a few of our executive PAC positions. The following positions are still open. If you think you may be a good fit for one of these, please contact us at evanselementarypac@hotmail.com

PAC President: Chairs all PAC meetings, signer for dispersal of funds, organizes fundraisers and events and delegates responsibilities to make sure everything runs smoothly.

Member at Large: Attends regular PAC meetings and helps out with fundraisers, activities when needed.

Our PAC Facebook page (Evans Elementary PAC) is a handy resource offering fundraiser info, school reminders and a forum for community Q&A. We invite you to join this page to keep updated on all things PAC or email us at evanselementarypac@hotmail.com with any questions or inquiries you may have.