

# AJ Smeltzer SAC Meeting

October 2nd 2024

# Agenda

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- Write the SAC Agreement.
- Develop bylaws for the SAC.
- Discussion of SAC Funds
- Student Success Plan at AJ
- Principal's Report
- Questions
- Next meeting

# What is a School Advisory Council (SAC)?

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- SACs bring together school stakeholders and individuals from local communities who share an interest in promoting student success. They provide parents/guardians, school staff, community members and when appropriate, students, with a voice to influence decisions that have an impact on student learning and well-being. As advisory bodies, SAC's bring partners together to provide principals and regional centers of education (RCE's) with advice that reflects the best interests of students from the point of view of the school community. SACs receive their authority from the Education Act (2018).

## What are some of the Duties and Responsibilities of a School Advisory Council (SAC)?

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- The duties and responsibilities of an SAC include:
  - Participating in the creation of the SAC Agreement and by-laws
  - Collaborating to improve student achievement and well-being
  - Providing feedback on school practices and initiatives
  - Providing feedback on provincial policies
  - Oversight for SAC grant spending decisions

# Roles

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Returning Chair: Kathy Wedge

Secretary: Need to fill role

Community members: ideas?

# SAC Letter of Agreement

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# SAC bylaws

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# Discussion of SAC Funds

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- All expenditures must fit into one of the three spending categories below:
  - supporting the school improvement plan (e.g., providing resources to support math and literacy instruction).
  - supporting policy development and implementation (e.g., supporting and promoting new policies).
  - covering operational expenses. Up to 20 percent of provincial SAC funding may be used for SAC operational expenses, if necessary, to encourage and support member participation.



# Principal's Report/Student Success Plan

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- Focus on Math, Literacy and Well-being
  - Data based decisions
  - Short term cycles

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Math - Building fundamental math skills, focus on formative assessment to provide timely feedback

Literacy - Using Dibels to track reading progress, start the year with teaching students to infer and have a deeper understanding of the reading

Well-being - Continue soft start to the day (gym, library and cafeteria), increase access to food, relationship building

# Principal's Report/Student Success Planning

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- SAC provincial conference (provided some ideas for spending, Code of Conduct review)
- Cell phone directive
- Sports (Volleyball, Cross Country)
- Fresh Food Cart (tentatively Monday/Wednesday)
- Pizza (Fridays)
- Building update