

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

JUNE 11TH, 2025

6:30-8:00

DUNBARTON LIBRARY

YEAR IN REVIEW 2024/2025

To build a respectful, inclusive and dynamic School Community Council (SCC), that supports an environment in which students, staff and the school community can thrive.

Rooted in a strong foundation, the SCC brings diverse voices together and empowers them to influence change through meaningful collaboration and shared decision-making, where every voice is heard and valued.

FEEDBACK TO CONSIDER FOR THE
2024/2025 YEAR

FEEDBACK

- Engage as many Dunbarton parents & caregivers as possible
- Find opportunities to bring the community into the work we do
- Create a set of Bylaws that supports the SCC structure
- Identify goals and objectives at the start of the year and work toward them
- Speaker series / parent & caregiver education cannot be the only thing that happens at meetings
- Create opportunities for parents & caregivers to participate in small meaningful ways in addition to meetings and working groups
- Continue to support the PROGrant and SCC Bursary
- Increase consultation opportunities between the administration and the council

2024/2025 ACHIEVEMENTS

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- Started the year with establishing a mission and vision for the council
- Had a council brainstorming session dedicated to determining goals and objectives for the year based on feedback from previous years
- Identified subcommittees required to achieve our goals and objectives
 1. Fundraising/Bursary/PROGrant
 2. Staff and student wellness
 3. Bylaws and governance
 4. Student experiences
- Recruited council members for participation on each subcommittee enabling parents and caregivers to participate in ways that were meaningful to them

ENGAGEMENT

Parent, Caregiver & Community Engagement

- Increased and consistent attendance at council meetings from previous years
- Supported the request for both in person and hybrid meetings
- Sub-committees created to enable parents and caregivers to contribute to areas that are of value to them
- Fundraising activities that reached all parents and caregivers even if not on council, to contribute to the school community
- Engaged with local business to support fundraising efforts and get Dunbarton school community members into their establishments
- Created an SCC Instagram page for communication with the Dunbarton Community

SUBCOMMITTEE WORK

Fundraising/Bursary/PROGrant
Committee

FUNDRAISING

- Incredible efforts with fundraising to work toward raising the funds to put a new sound system into the gym
- 6 different fundraising opportunities successfully completed:
 - School Cash Online donations for Leaf Ticket Raffle
 - Swiss Chalet Dunbarton Night
 - Burger's Priest Dunbarton Night
 - Domino's Pizza Dunbarton Night
 - Papa John's Pizza Dunbarton Night
 - COBBS Bread Dunbarton Day

\$3,000+

PROGRANT

- Proposal submitted for \$5,000 grant toward hosting a parent and caregiver wellness night
- Committee came back with more questions
- Didn't get approval until early May, for \$1,500
- Made the decision that the amount and the time delay in approval, would not enable successful completion of the event
- Feedback sent to the committee on barriers to use: a) amount; b) late response
- NEXT YEAR 😊!!!

STUDENT BURSARY

- Student bursary for \$500 created for a graduating student
- Criteria: Good academic standing, demonstrated leadership in the school and outside of the school community and evidence of ongoing commitment to leadership
- Executive reviewed the applications (350-500 word application on how they demonstrate the criteria)
- Recipient selected and will be awarded the bursary at graduation

SUBCOMMITTEE WORK

Bylaws and Governance

BYLAWS

- First set of Bylaws created to engage and guide the School Community Council governance, reviewed by council and approved

CONSULTATION

- School administration has brought items to the council for consultation and feedback
- The DDSB Board Chair, Vice Chair and Trustee attended one of the council meetings to hear what is happening at Dunbarton and get feedback on what they could be doing at the board level to support the school
- Leadership qualities survey brought to council for feedback on what Dunbarton needs in a future administrator

SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

Staff and Student Wellness

STUDENT WELLNESS

- Pilot project through the school to implement hall “monitor” presence – teacher representative engaged with the union for support
- Volunteer teachers participated in addition to school administrators
- Successful pilot in reducing students in the hallway, vandalism and bathroom misuse
- Teachers and administrators performing this function takes them away from other essential work and is not a sustainable model
- Committee developed a proposal for the DDSB to consider funding a future CYW to support this initiative

SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

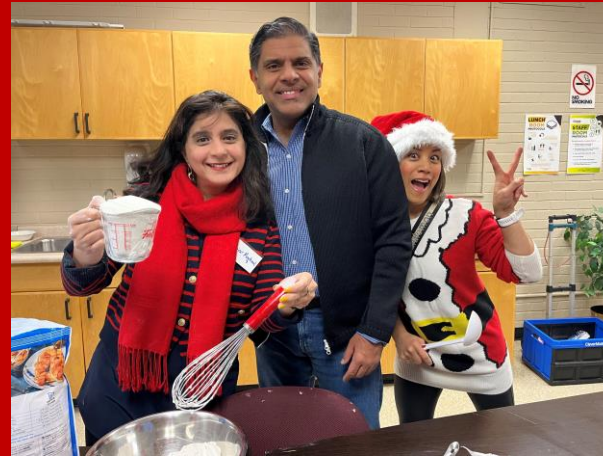
Student Experiences

STUDENT EXPERIENCES

Holiday Pancake Breakfast

Co-hosted a holiday breakfast for students/staff – engaging parents as volunteers

Served HUNDREDS of pancakes the last day before school finished for holiday break with fantastic feedback



Courtyard revitalization project

- Partnered with the environmental club and earth day activities to donate plants, dirt, gardening equipment and volunteers to clean up and "beautify" the courtyard for students to enjoy

STUDENT EXPERIENCES

Spartan Carnival Day

- Secured a parent donation of \$500 cash for the school to put toward spartan day food and treats
- Secured a parent donation of a new popcorn machine for the school to use at carnival day and for future events
- Provided parent volunteers to help serve food at the carnival

THANK YOU

Thank you to all of you for attending so regularly this year!

Thank you to all of the committee chairs!

Thank you to the executive committee!