

# Constitution for Colquitz Middle School Parent Advisory Council

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## **NAME**

- The name of this Parent Advisory Council shall be the Colquitz Middle School Parent Advisory Council. Hereafter referred to as the Colquitz PAC.

## **PRINCIPLES**

- The Colquitz PAC is organized under the [School Act](#).
- The Colquitz PAC will operate as a non-profit organization with no personal financial benefit to its members.
- The business of the Colquitz PAC will be unbiased in respect of race, religion, gender, politics, sexual orientation, and physical or mental ability.

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Colquitz PAC is to support, encourage, and improve the quality of education and the well-being of students and to encourage and promote meaningful parent/guardian involvement in the educational experiences of students at Colquitz Middle School.

## **Objectives:**

1. To support the education and welfare of students at Colquitz Middle School
2. To encourage parent involvement in Colquitz Middle School
3. To advise the School Board, Colquitz Middle School administration and staff on any matter relating to Colquitz Middle School.
4. To communicate with parents/guardians on school and Colquitz PAC related activities.
5. To organize and support activities for students and parents.
6. To contribute to a sense of community within Colquitz Middle School and between the school and the home.
7. To provide opportunities for parent education and a forum for discussion of educational issues
8. To assist parents in accessing resources within the educational system.
9. To provide a forum for consultation by the administration of Colquitz Middle School
10. To provide a conduit for parents to provide input into decision making at Colquitz Middle School and School District 61.

11. To provide financial support for the goals of the Colquitz PAC, as determined by the voting members of the Colquitz PAC.
12. To apply for and administer the Community Gaming Grant.
13. To maintain a Gaming Account for the benefit and use of all school groups at Colquitz Middle School and to apply for Gaming Licences on behalf of school groups as required.
14. To advise and participate in the activities of the Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils and the BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils.

## **INTERPRETATION OF TERMS**

“parent” – has the same meaning as in the [School Act](#) on May 25, 2018 and as it may be amended from time to time. At the time this constitution was drafted parent was defined as meaning:

- a. the guardian of the person of the student or child,
- b. the person legally entitled to custody of the student or child, or
- c. the person who usually has the care and control of the student or child.

“Parent Advisory Council” or “PAC” – means the parents organized according to the *School Act* and operating as a parent advisory council for Colquitz Middle School

“DPAC” refers to District Parent Advisory Council. Our DPAC is known as the Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils. (VCPAC)