

Ellengale Public School Council
Annual Report
for the 2016-2017 School Year

Dear Parents and School Community:

Welcome back! We hope you had a safe and happy summer. The Ellengale School Council had a very rewarding 2016-2017. The school council held six (6) meetings, usually on the second Wed of the month, in Oct, Nov, Jan, March, April, and June. We worked on various issues during the year. These meetings were open to the public to encourage input from parents and other members of the school community.

The purpose of the school council is to help improve student achievement and to enhance the accountability of the education system to parents. School councils are advisory organizations. A school council's primary means of achieving its purpose is by making recommendations to the principal of the school and the school board. Boards and principals are responsible for considering the recommendations made by each school council and for advising the council(s) of the actions taken in response to the recommendations. Accordingly, included with this report is a summary of the advice that the school council provided to the principal and to the school board in 2016-2017, as well as the responses from the principal and school board on how this advice was taken into account in decision making [attach summary of advice and responses] .

**I WOULD THINK TO PUT THE PLAYGROUND UPDATING IN HERE, BUT NOT SURE.. IDEAS? Yes
put playground painting and Arts performances and Technology**

Additional achievements of the school council in 2016-2017 included the following: raising money to purchase new technology for our students, including but not limited to TechTubs, Laptops, iPads and other forms of technology. We also purchased furniture and equipment to help turn part of our library into a Learning Common Center. Fund-raising activities were also conducted such as Pizza Days, selling our Ellengale NoteCards and t-shirts, a Community Movie Night and Popcorn sales every month, the proceeds were used to fund projects, such as our Black History Drumming group, the Grade 6 Graduation ceremony as well as the yearbooks, to name a few, in accordance with school board policies. These fundraising activities are identified in the attached financial summary entitled "Sources and Uses of Project Funds".

Minutes of meetings held and financial records are available for public inspection at the school office. We wish to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the many individuals who volunteered their time to contribute to the success of the school council last year. Special thanks are due to the following members of the 2016-2017 school council: Kristie Marinic, Raman Nijjar and Nicola Geary as well as others, as our parent reps, and Rhonda Young, Laura Delves, Stacey Service, Amy Campbell, Sandy Kerr and Sain Baker as our Admin/Teacher reps.

Sincerely yours,

Kristie Marinic
Chair