



**APPLEWOOD HEIGHTS SECONDARY SCHOOL  
SCHOOL COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT  
2017 – 2018 SCHOOL YEAR**

**INTRODUCTION**

*Hello to All Applewood Heights Parents, Guardians, Students, Teachers and Staff:*

Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable summer.

Please come out and attend one or all of our school council meetings. They are an excellent way to find out what is exactly what is happening at your child’s school. Everyone is always welcome to attend.

We discuss school events and happenings with a school wide perspective of school issues. Our meetings are informal and provide a good source of information as well as opportunity for parents to provide input on school issues. The school council acts as a link between the school and community and foster networking between parents and school.

The Applewood Heights School Council had a rewarding 2017-2018 school year and we submit this annual report as an overview of our activities for the year.

**COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP**

The members of the 2017-2018 school council:

<b>Parent Members:</b>		<b>School Staff:</b>
<b>Council Executive:</b> Catherine Ip, Co-Chair Melanie Gibson, Co-Chair Jane Gauvreau, Secretary Bo Cao Seema Ahmad Stacy Marcynuk	<b>Other parent attendees</b> Diana Vienneau Kirsten Dunne Melissa Barron Lucie Zima Jacquie Dankner Shyama Sunderaswara Steve Dryburgh Jackie Robbins Bo Cao Eric Robbins Crystal McRobert Darko Zgonjanin Stella Nyman Oksana Koval Tait Luste	<b>Principal:</b> Greg Pearson  <b>Teacher Representative:</b> Shannon Matthews Colleen Crane
	<b>Community Rep.</b>	<b>Student Council Reps.:</b> Joshua Dankner

Thank you to these dedicated parents, staff and students for their participation, input and ideas. We had an active council this year and engaged in some energetic discussions.

## ACTIVITY SUMMARY

The following is a summary of our key activities for the past year:

<b>Goals</b>	<b>Accomplishments</b>	<b>Meeting/Month</b>
School Council Elections	School Council Executive elected:  Catherine Ip, Co-Chair Melanie Gibson, Co-Chair Jane Gauvreau, Secretary Seema Ahmad Bo Cao Stacy Marcynuk	September, 2018
School Council Goals	School Council goals were determined at the September and November meetings. The council decided to focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Empowering Your Teen , Dr. Karyn Gordon (November 20/17)</li> <li>• Staff Appreciation Breakfast (February 1/18)</li> <li>• Raising the Selfie Generation by Dr. Alec Couros (April 26/18)</li> </ul>	September and November/17
Empowering Your Teen	School Council organized a career night featuring Dr. Karyn Gordon on Empowering Your Teens to Find their Dream Job held on November 20, 2017.  400 registered participants; 200 attendees. The council also conducted a survey of participants to obtain feedback for use in planning future events. The event was very well received and attracted parents and students from Tomken Road which was viewed as great community building with future students.	November 20/17
Guest Speakers/ Events	Sue Lawton, Trustee, Peel Board <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation and Q&amp;A's</li> </ul>	January 22/18
	Dr. Alec Couros, Professor of Educational Technology & Media, University of Regina <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Raising the Selfie Generation" Presentation and Q&amp;A's</li> </ul>	April/18
Principal and Vice Principal Consultation Process	The council was consulted on qualities we would like to see in a future Principal and Vice Principal and these were to be submitted to the school board early in the calendar year.	March/18
Staff Appreciation Breakfast	We hosted a Staff Appreciation Breakfast on February 1, 2019 for teachers and staff to show our appreciation for all their hard work in providing a positive, safe, and rewarding learning environment for our students. Community donations and raffles bring everyone together in showing appreciation to staff.	February 2018

<b>Goals</b>	<b>Accomplishments</b>	<b>Meeting/Month</b>
Outreach Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outreach activities to parents at school events to join the council and sign up for the council email system</li> <li>• Outreach activities to other Peel schools to join AHSS for events</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Throughout the 2017/18 year</li> </ul>

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial statement for the School Council Budget for the year ended August 31, 2017 is included in Appendix A.

The financial statement for the Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant – Careers for the 2020s Budget for the year ended August 31, 2018 is included in Appendix B.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The Council plans to meet for 5 meetings during the 2018-19 school year as follows:

- Monday September 17/18
- Monday November 5/18
- Monday January 21/19
- Monday March 18/19
- Monday May 13/19

## **TEACHER AND STAFF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

On behalf of the Applewood Heights School Council, we would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to all the teachers and staff at Applewood, as well as the students for their support and dedication and commend them for their achievements throughout this past year and for making the school proud.

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 Principal, Greg Pearson.

*Sincerely yours,*

***Catherine Ip & Melanie Gibson***  
***Co-Chair Co-Chair***

***Applewood Heights Secondary School Council***  
***August 31, 2018***

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT – School Council Parent Engagement Budget**

**The Applewood Heights Secondary School Council  
Sources and Uses of Operating Funds for the Year Ended August 31, 2018**

**Funds Available**

Operating cash on hand at the beginning of the period (September 1, 2017)	\$ 0.00
<i>Add allocation from Peel Board</i>	<u>500.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>

*Less:*

**Expenditures**

Raising the Selfie Generation	\$ 500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>

**Operating cash on hand at the end of the period (August 31, 2018)  
returned to the Peel Board** **\$ 0.00**

## APPENDIX B

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT – Parents Reaching Out Grant Budget for ‘Empowering Your Teen to Find Their Dream Job’**

**The Applewood Heights Secondary School Council  
Parents Reaching Out Grant for ‘Empowering Your Teen to Find Their Dream Job’  
Sources and Uses of Operating Funds for the Year Ended August 31, 2018**

**Funds Available**

Operating cash on hand at the beginning of the period (September 1, 2017)	\$ 0.00
<i>Add allocation from Ontario Ministry of Education</i>	<u>1,000.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>

*Less:*

**Expenditures**

Honoraria for guest speakers/presenters	\$ 750.00	
Refreshments	75.00	
Workshop materials	175.00	
<b>Total</b>		<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>
<b>Operating cash on hand at the end of the period (August 31, 2018)</b>		<b>\$ 0.00</b>