

Catholic School Community Council Elections

You have a vote!

Catholic school community councils (CSCCs) provide a new form of parent and community involvement in Catholic schools. Councils replace existing Home and School or Parent Associations and have a new and different role. Most importantly, the main effort of the CSCCs is in the community. Although they provide advice to the school and participate in school planning, their main responsibility is to engage the students' community and homes in support of student learning and well-being.

For this reason, CSCCs need to reflect students and the community. It is important that parents of students enrolled in the school take a prime leadership role, but it is also important that there is a place for the community as well.

All **parents or guardians** of students enrolled in the school may run or vote in the election of the CSCC.

Community members who reside within the transportation attendance area of the school as determined by the Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Board of Education and are of the Catholic faith may run or vote in the election of the CSCC. Potential voters will be asked to sign a registration sheet at the public meeting in which the elections will be held. A ballot will then be distributed. Proof of qualification to vote is not required.

How to get involved in your school . . .

Our school is electing our new Catholic school community council. A public meeting will be held on **Sept. 25th 7:00 pm.** to conduct the elections.

Parent and guardians of students attending the school may vote or run for a spot on the council.

The **STJ** Catholic School Community Council will include parents and community members elected to the council. Further information is available at the school. Our board of education encourages our council to reflect our student population.

Nominations of parents and community members interested in standing for election must be submitted on the official forms and received at the school office by **4:00 on September 22nd**. Nomination forms are available at the school.

To learn more about getting involved contact: Kim Pasloski at kpasloski@gscs.ca

Announcement seeking nominations.

The Catholic School Community Council will include elected parent and community members. The majority of members must be parents or guardians of students attending the school. A significant number of students enrolled are ***First Nations and Metis; from immigrant families*** and the board of education encourages that one or more of the parent and community members be reflective of this component of the pupil population.

Candidate Qualifications:

Any person who is a **parent or guardian** of a pupil enrolled in the school may stand for election of the Catholic school community council.

A **community member** who lives in the school's transportation area may stand for election to the Catholic school community council.

Nomination Forms:

Nominations are open and forms are available. Nomination forms must be returned to the school by **Sept. 22nd at 4:00.**

Or

Nominations will also be taken from the floor at our annual general meeting.

*In the absence of nominations, the CSCC will be determined collaboratively at the meeting by discussing the various roles required by those in attendance.

St. Joseph Catholic School Community Council
Nomination Form

Please return by: September 22nd at 4:00 pm

Nominee: _____

Contact Information: _____

I am (check one):

A parent/guardian
 A community member

Catholic **Non-Catholic**

Supporting Parent or Community Member:

Name: _____

(Signature)