

BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BAC)

Vanier School Council recently established a Building Advisory Committee composed of: school administration, staff, council members, and parents. At our organizational meeting on March 2, we brainstormed ideas around:

1. Current programming and its limitations
2. Future programming to meet needs arising out of the revised B.C. curriculum
3. Current health and safety standards as related to the school building
4. Safety standards in the shop area
5. Limited space to meet the current shop curriculum
6. Possible reconfiguration and renovation of current space in the school and possible expansion.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 30 @ 7:00 pm in the library. Interested parents are welcome.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

School council represents the interests and concerns of parents/guardians and works with the school administration to discuss issues related to school success for all students. We meet on a monthly basis to review: staffing and programming needs, allocation of resources, locally developed courses, school growth plan, timetabling, policies, building requirements, and health and safety matters. In a Catholic school, the expectation is that school council will ensure that students are provided a solid education that is permeated by faith. Catholic principles and values are reflected in policies and practices.

School council elections are scheduled for Monday, May 2 and nomination papers are due by noon on Thursday, April 21. Nomination kits will be available both at Elections Yukon and each school on Monday, April 11, 2016. We encourage all parents/guardians to get involved in school council in order to serve a truly good school such as Vanier. Our students, parents, and staff deserve the best representation possible. Please note: a brochure prepared by CEAY (Catholic Education Association Yukon) will be available at the school, Sacred Heart and Our Lady of Victory parishes. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Elections Yukon @ 667-8683, VCSS @ 667-5901 or any member of school council.

Yukon School Councils' Spring Conference begins Thursday evening, April 7 at 7:00 pm, and ends at 4:00 pm on Saturday, April 9. The venue is Yukon Inn. The keynote speaker, Debbie Pushor, professor of Curriculum Studies at U of S, will expand on the place of parents in the schooling and education of their children. She advocates the involvement of parents as an important factor in enhancing student learning. All school council members and anyone considering putting their name forward for election to a school council is invited to attend the conference. Please see AYSCBC's website.

Easter blessings!

Edith Elder

VCSSC Chair

