

## **James Mowat Elementary School Council Annual Report**

### **2024/2025 School Year**

#### **SCHOOL COUNCIL ACTIVITIES**

The James Mowat School Council works together with the fundraising association, the Parents Advisory Association to build good communication between the school and parents and to build enrichment into students' experiences. This year we focussed on making the meetings as accessible as possible and beginning preparations to replace our primary level playground.

PAA activities we supported this year with planning and volunteering include:

- Fundraising Planning
- School Equipment/Library/Classroom enrichment supports
- Hot Lunch Program
- School activities including a Christmas Family Dance and Fun in the Sun Sports Day
- Playground replacement

#### **Summarize the engagement opportunities attended by a representative of your School Council.**

Representatives of the James Mowat School Council shared the responsibility of attending various school, district and provincial stakeholder meetings including:

- Monthly school trustee meetings
- Council of school councils' meetings
- School Assurance meeting with the district

#### **Summarize the engagement opportunities your school council hosted.**

We hosted monthly meetings where the issues facing the school and district were discussed. Our EIPS Trustee brought district issues to each meeting and heard feedback from parents. Educators brought teacher perspectives to the meetings and administrators Mr. Boyko and Mrs. Romanowska brought forward school wide issues and heard parent feedback.

We helped with the planning and execution of a family dance in the winter of 2025 which brought many of our Mowat families together in the coldest season.

#### **Provide an overview of activities or initiatives planned for the next year.**

In the 2025/2026 school year the School Council intends to conduct a strategic planning session after the September AGM to plan for the year once the new executive is in place.

With the playground replacement project underway it will be all hands-on deck to get the fundraising and the community/business outreach done. We are hoping to use this opportunity to recruit new members by engaging them with the playground committee work.

## **Financial Statement**

The James Mowat School Council did not handle any finances in the 2024/2025 school year. We did receive the \$500 school council grant from the province but were unable to use it this year and are hoping to put it towards outreach activities next year. Fundraising activities are conducted by the James Mowat Parent Association.

### **Executive: List the members who held positions as officers in the past year:**

President: Jordana Feist

Vice President: Victoria Coreas/ vacant

Secretary: Jessica Miller

Treasurer: Nicole Wilson

### **Meeting Dates: List the dates of regular school council meetings:**

- September 9, 2024 AGM
- October 15, 2024
- November 18, 2024
- December 9, 2024
- January 13, 2025
- February 10, 2025
- March 10, 2025
- April 14, 2025
- May 12, 2025