What is Waverley Drive School Council?
The School council is an advisory body which represents the parents, staff and students within the community. They provide input to the Principal and, where applicable, to the board. The council contributes to improving the students’ environment and learning by working co-operatively with the staff and parent community.

The majority of council members are parents. Parent members may choose to be a parent representative or fill one of the four executive roles that are present on our council. These are Chair, co-Chair, secretary and treasurer. The council also includes one teaching staff member, one non-teaching staff member, one community representative, the Vice-Principal and Principal. All council positions are for a one year term, beginning in September.

If you were on council you could:
- Assist in the development of our school improvement plans (system, school and curriculum)
- Participate on committees (School Environment, Communications, Fundraising, Parent Involvement)
- Be an executive member
- Provide input on the allocation of funds from fundraising events
- Provide input on fundraising events
- Be informed about our programs, school based decisions
- Provide input into the school's code of conduct and dress code every 3 years

Council Members Responsibilities:
- Attend and participate in council meetings (approx. 8 per year)
- Contribute positively to the discussions at meetings
- Solicit the vies of other parents and the community to share at meetings

Additional responsibilities for Executive Positions:

Chair and Co-Chair
- Communicate with the Principal/Vice Principal on behalf of Council and parents
- Arrange meeting dates and prepare agendas
- Chair Council meetings
Secretary
- Record and maintain accurate records of Council meetings

Treasurer
- Maintain accurate and up to date accounting records for council funds
- Present a financial report at meetings

Committees:

School Environment
This committee has developed plans for: beautifying the school grounds by planting trees and shrubs; planning for a creative playground structure for students; providing outside seating areas for students; and developing a plan with the staff to address bullying

Communications
This committee has developed a plan for improving overall communication between the council, school and parents. A website was created and updates are provided in the school newsletter. Also a board is kept in the breezeway with current agenda/minutes and other council news. This Committee also sends cards on behalf of the council to teachers leaving or who have experienced a loss, or celebrating a birth of a child/grandchild.

Fundraising
This committee organizes several events throughout the year. The money from these events have been allocated to: beautifying our school with trees, benches, etc., class room wish lists, scientist in the class room, musical instruments, and birthday books.

If you want to be a member of would like to discuss this further please complete the attached form and return it to the school. Or come out to a meeting, they are open to everyone; you do not have to sit on council to attend a council meeting. The first meeting of the year will be this Thursday September 15th at 7pm in the school library.

☐ I wish to become a member of the Waverley Dr. School Council

☐ I would like someone to call me so that we may discuss this further.

I am the parent/guardian of___________________________________, in grade_____

Name (please print):______________________________________________

Email Address: ____________________________________________________