

Parent Participation at St. Patrick Regional High School 2020/2021

Welcome to Parent Participation at St. Pats.

Here are some questions, answers and general information regarding Parent Participation at St. Pats secondary for the 2020/2021 school year.

1) What are the Parent Participation fees and hours?

The Parent Participation fee remains at \$650.

The REC approved lowering our parent participation hours from 40 to 30 hours for this school year.

On May 30th Parent Participation fees will be deposited based on the number of hours not completed for each family.

\$21.67 /hour (calculated \$650 / 30 hours)

(Please note the previous date of May 15th was changed to May 30th as a result of our school Walkathon taking place on May 14th)

2) What is the money from our Parent Participation fee used for?

Parent participation fees go directly to General Revenue for our school. The money is used to support school expenses and programs.

3) Where can I find Parent Participation volunteer opportunities?

Under Parent Participation on our school website you can access the Parent Participation Portal to find and sign up for parent participation volunteer opportunities.

This year there are fewer opportunities due to Covid 19 restrictions and protocols.

All available opportunities will be posted on the Parent Participation Portal.

4) How can parents find and sign up for parent participation opportunities on the portal?

You can access and find the portal on our school website under parent participation. To sign in to the parent participation portal you will need your youngest child's student number. Your youngest child's student number will be both your username and password.

Example:

Username: 123456

Password: 123456

5) What are some Parent Participation volunteer opportunities for this year?

This year there are fewer opportunities due to Covid 19 restrictions and protocols. All available opportunities will be posted on the Parent Participation Portal. Some Parent Participation volunteer opportunities include:

- a) **SLC – Student learning center** one parent is needed daily. See Parent participation portal for shifts still available. Duties include:
- Use the online library management system to check-out/check-in items borrowed by the students
 - When books are returned and scanned back in, shelve them back on the correct location.
 - Check-in/Check-out Chromebooks borrowed by students and charge returned Chromebooks
 - Add paper to the photocopier and printer as needed
 - Wiping down Chromebooks, tables and counters at the end of day
 - Turning on MRC computers at the start of the week and shutting them down at the end of the week

Please note SLC volunteer opportunities were cancelled due to Covid restrictions and protocols this year

- b) **Cafeteria / Hot Lunch delivery** – This year students can pre-order a hot lunch through the online hot lunch program. 3 to 4 parents are needed daily to help deliver and distribute hot lunches to different areas of the school for student pick up during the school lunch hour. Shifts are from 11:00 – 1:00am daily. See Parent participation portal for shifts still available.

- c) **Traffic Duty** –Up to 6 parents daily, three in the morning and three in the afternoon. We need three parent volunteers to monitor traffic in front of our school in the mornings from 8:00- 9:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and 8:30 – 9:30 am Wednesday mornings.

We also need three parent volunteers to monitor traffic in front of our school in the afternoons from 2:30 – 3:30 Monday to Friday after school.

See Parent participation portal for shifts still available.

Please note we just recently increased the number of Traffic volunteers to 3 from 2 for each shift.

- d) **Cleaning and maintenance** – Schedules for cleaning and maintenance teams have already been created and take place on Saturdays. New opportunities will be posted on the portal as needed.
- e) **Celtic Raffle Ticket sales** – For this school year, the REC – Regional Education Committee voted to give parents the opportunity to receive some or all of their parent participation

hours for Celtic Raffle Ticket sales. Please note a minimum of 30 tickets need to be sold to receive 6 parent participation hours and a total of 150 tickets totaling \$750 need to be sold to receive 30 parent participation hours. See Celtic raffle ticket email sent out to families with their own personalized link to use for ticket sales.

- f) **Walkathon – This year our school walkathon will be taking place on May 14th.** Parent participation opportunities have been updated on the portal.

g) When will my hours completed be updated?

You can verify your completed hours via the portal at any time. It may take a few weeks for the portal to reflect completed hours. Please check the portal for your verified and completed hours prior to May 30th. If there is a discrepancy between what you have done and how many hours are posted please contact your Coordinator for the activity so they can update the portal for you. An update will be sent out to all families prior to May 30th before parent participation fees are deposited.

h) What if I am signed up for hours but they will not be completed until after May 30th?

Participation fees will be calculated based on hours not completed or not signed up for. If you have signed up for hours on the portal that will be completed and verified after May 30th you will not have to pay any parent participation fees on May 30th for those incomplete hours. However, at the end of June, all hours will be verified via log books and the portal. If you were not able to complete your hours signed up for then you will be sent an invoice for the incomplete hours.

We thank all parents for their time and support of our Parent Participation activities. We continued to make changes, as needed this year, to our school Parent Participation program. If you have any other general questions regarding Parent Participation they can be emailed to: participation@stpats.bc.ca

Sincerely,
Anik with the Parent Participation team