

### Please forward!

Reminder - All members of PACs are welcome to attend meetings or events below. This includes all parents, guardians and caregivers of a student who is registered and is attending in person at a school within the North Vancouver School District. PAC Executives are encouraged to circulate these bulletins to their parent groups.

## Monthly General Meeting - February 26

Next General Meeting is February 26 @ 7pm via Teams. Please register here: <a href="NVPAC General Mtg">NVPAC General Mtg</a> - Feb 26/2025. The Teams link will be forwarded closer to the date. All members of NVSD PACs are welcome to attend. This includes PAC Executive members, parents, guardians and caregivers of a student who is registered and is attending in person at a school within the North Vancouver School District.

## Gaming Grant applications

There is a new step when applying for your Gaming Grant this year. Ensure your organization has a **Business** BCeID account. Applicants may also apply using a Basic BCeID account; however, the features for this option are limited. For more information, please see the <u>Community Grants</u> website.

## News/Events

Presentation - The Other People - February 11

Eventbrite (limited to 120 people): The Other People - Registration Link



#### School Calendar 2025/26 - Feedback Requested by February 11

#### Budget Priorities 2025/26 - Feedback Requested by March 4

School district community members are invited to provide input and feedback on budget priorities that fall under the Operating Budget. There are several ways to provide feedback, including through participation in the Standing Committee Meeting on March 4, online survey, email, traditional mail and voice message. For more information, please visit the Budget Priorities: Public Input web page.

#### Exclusion of students from school - Office of the Ombudsman

#### Ombudsperson Investigation on K-12 Exclusions Survey

Complaints received by the Ombudsperson's office indicate that school districts are excluding students due to disruptive or unsafe behaviour, or inadequate resources devoted to adequately support the student's learning in the school. In some cases schools are reported to have informally excluded students from school entirely or for much of the school day.

"I am concerned about the outcomes for children who are excluded from school with little or no instruction," said Chalke. "Children have limited options to address unfairness in their education and school environments. By examining this issue we can make recommendations to support the ministry and school districts in meeting their inclusive education commitments and obligations to all students."

Students or families of students who wish to contribute to the Ombudsperson's investigation can fill out a brief, confidential questionnaire. Those interested in speaking directly with an Ombudsperson investigator about their experience can provide their contact information when replying to the questionnaire. The questionnaire will be open until April 1, 2025.

#### All NVSD Events and Registrations - Feb 2025

To see more NVSD Events and Registrations, check your email or click here <u>North Vancouver School</u> <u>District Events and Registrations - Feb 2025</u>

# General Meetings

NVPAC Meetings are held Wednesdays at 7pm via Teams or in person

- February 26 (Teams)
- April 30 (Teams)
- May 28 (Annual General Meeting Teams)

## Internal Committee Meetings

**Disability Advisory Committee** The committee will meet monthly to discuss Disability & Neurodivergence issues and concerns within the NVSD 44. This is a great way to connect with other Parents/ Guardians/ Caregivers and PAC members within the NVSD 44 community, who share a common goal of striving for equitable access to education, accessibility & inclusion. <a href="NVPAC">NVPAC</a>
<a href="Disability Advisory Committee Registration Form">Disability Advisory Committee Registration Form</a>

For information, please contact us <a href="mailto:inclusion@northvanpac.org">inclusion@northvanpac.org</a>

- March 12 7pm (virtual)
- May 21 7pm (virtual)
- June 18 7pm (virtual)

Anti-Racism Advisory Committee The committee will meet and discuss Anti-Racism issues and concerns within NVSD 44. This is a great way to connect with other Parents/Guardians/ Caregivers and PAC members within the NVSD 44 community, who share a common goal of striving for equitable access to education, anti-racism and equity.

**NVPAC ARAC Registration Form** 

For information, please contact us <a href="mailto:antiracism@northvanpac.org">antiracism@northvanpac.org</a>

- February 13 7pm (TBD)
- March 13 7pm (virtual)
- April 10 7pm (TBD)
- May 15 7pm (virtual)
- June 19 7pm (TBD)

# \*Recurring Resources\*

### Annual To Do List - PAC Exec

- REGISTER with NVPAC
- REGISTER for NVPAC's Meet & Greet
- REGISTER with BCCPAC (<a href="https://bccpac.bc.ca">https://bccpac.bc.ca</a>) (fee reimbursement available using Grant Application Form below)
- Submit your grant application to NVPAC <u>Grant Application Form Link</u> (for fee reimbursement, submit the receipt to treasurer@northvanpac.org by April 30 of the current school year)
- REVIEW your PAC Constitution & Bylaws
- UPDATE parent email list & class reps
- PLAN your meetings/events for the year and update your website/PAC page
- CHECK with your Treasurer that your Gaming Grant application was submitted by June 30

### Parent/PAC Resources

Please click links for more information

- NVPAC Website North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council
- NVPAC Grants NVPAC Grants available to PACs
- NVPAC Community page NVPAC Community events
- BCCPAC Website BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Council
- NVSD Website North Vancouver School District 44
- NVSD Parent Page Parent resources at NVSD 44
- <u>Erase</u> Report It link to "expect respect and a safe education"

### Contact

For further information, please reach out to us at <a href="mailto:chair@northvanpac.org">chair@northvanpac.org</a>

#### **Land Acknowledgement**

NVPAC would like to acknowledge and thank the Coast Salish people whose traditional unceded territories the North Vancouver School District resides on. We value the opportunity to learn, live and share educational experiences on the traditional unceded territories of the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation.

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