

School Advisory Council Annual Report – June 2023

School Admiral Westphal Elementary School

Please list SAC members	including names, membership type (i.e., parent, community member,
staff), and role (i.e., Chai	r, Vice Chair).
Nicolle Bowes Cashen	Parent/Chair
Lauren Ward	Parent
Kim Sparks	Parent
Jamie Kavanaugh	Principal
Jennifer Redman [rotating position]	Teacher
Emily Thomas	EPA / Community Member
Jennifer Veitch	Community Member

Please describe a summary of work undertaken by the SAC to improve student achievement and school performance.

- SAC worked throughout the year to recruit community members, and SAC Chair
- The SAC reviewed school progress in relation to student achievement in site based assessments [ex: data wall results minus student identifiers]; were informed of plans to support student progress and improvement and consulted about ways SAC could support school efforts.
- The SAC was regularly informed of events that occurred at Admiral Westfall related to increasing student engagement and achievement. Events such as Trinkets to Treasures, Holiday concert, African Heritage and Mi'kmaq heritage activities, art activities board art specialists, math and literacy coaches at the school, guest speakers, etc...
- SAC reviewed assessment policy; Code of Conduct and Admiral's responses

Please list any significant milestones and success stories that the SAC would like to highlight.

• The SAC has worked to address a community concern around vehicles parking in our playground area after school hours. It has been brought to the facility rentals group

who responded saying steps would be taken to ensure that rental groups do not park in our playground area.

- This year the SAC grant funded a new audio system for our school, in response to some complaints that were made after our holiday concert.
- The SAC grant partially funded the year-end field trip/field day activities.
- The SAC grant is being used to fund a sensory pathway to be installed in the upstairs hallway. A sensory pathway is a series of guided movements for children to follow, shown by markings on the ground and/or walls. As students make their way along the path and complete the movements, they work off excess energy, helping to improve focus and develop their gross motor skills, along with the benefits of improved self regulation.
- The \$3000 of the SAC grant is being used for improvements to classrooms, the learning centre, and the school counselor's projects is in response to teacher requests for ways to improve their rooms in order to better serve their students.

Please describe any related sub-committee work undertaken by SAC members (e.g., School	١c
Options Committee).	
N/A	

Statements of Revenues and Expenditures:

Expenditures supporting the school improvement plan (e.g., providing resources to support math and literacy instruction).

\$599.13 School sound system

\$2000.00 allotted for Sensory Pathway for upstairs hallway

- \$1500.00 USD + tax
- \$68.58 + tax, FedEx International Economy

< \$700.00 for year end school field trip [bussing, food, materials]

\$300.00 for Phys Ed equipment [parachute]

\$3000.00 for classroom improvements, counsellor projects, and LC

Expenditures supporting policy development and implementation (e.g., supporting and promoting new policies).

N/A

Expenditures covering operational expenses; up to 20 per cent of provincial SAC funding may be used as operational expenses, if necessary, to encourage and support member participation).

Final meeting dinner expenses: \$197.80

Please return to School Supervisor by Monday, June 22, 2023. Thank you.