



Meeting Highlights March 19th, 2024

Engaging Parents - Connecting to Classrooms - Enhancing School Culture

From school council:

- **School council roles in communication, advocacy, fundraising**
School council has been working at defining these 3 lanes of focus. Communication and advising are well on their way with structure and purpose. Fundraising, including having a non profit society, is still to be defined. **AGM June 12th 7pm by google meet or in person. Please plan to attend to help bring parent/community perspective to HSS.**
- **Follow School Communication - many options to stay current**
Read classroom communication, follow [PowerSchool](#) and [Google Classroom](#). Watch the [weekly video](#). Read the [monthly newsletter](#). Follow HSS website for monthly [calendar](#) and '[Daily Announcements](#)'. Follow the [athletics calendar](#) found on the website under 'Athletics'. Follow social media at [Facebook Hugh Sutherland School](#) and Instagram [@hss.kodiaks](#) [@hss.athletics](#)
- **Connie Jakab Tuesday April 23rd**
Spoke with students, staff and parents of strategies to increase connection and build community. School Council and Dean will be following up with Connie regarding her visit to our school and any ongoing communication. [conniejakab.com](#) to understand more about her and the tools she offers.
- **Kodiak Booster Club has the goal to enhance and develop the athletics experience at HSS through parent and community participation**
Looking for community members to join the HSS sport community as coaches, leaders in sport. AGM May 9th 6 pm at the school. Please consider investing. Contact hssathletics@cesd73.ca for more info
- **Current playground decommissioned summer 2025** - school council to help organise a committee to fundraise and dialogue about needed outdoor infrastructure and where it might go.

From school:

- **Digital sign is ordered and will be installed summer 2024.** 14'X7' on south wall of east gym facing the highway.
- **Dress code, Student Code of Conduct, Student Expectations** will be presented to the students for feedback over next few weeks. These were presented to parents at the March 19th meeting for discussion and feedback. See admin if you want to see these working documents and have personal input.
- **Some staff changes 2024/25** - Hired a new grade 5 and grade 6 teacher and there will be team changes in grade 5-8. There will be a 7/8 split next year along with 3 grade 7 and 3 grade 8 classes. Hiring 2 new highschool teachers for english/social and math/science. Ms. Rodbourne moving to a new school.
- **Grade 6 band optional.** Students will choose between band or music (a new program)
- **Busy spring itinerary** for music, field trips, track, Artisan's Ensemble, exams and more. Please refer to the monthly newsletter and/or school calendar on the HSS website. [See email sent from HSS April 30th](#)
- **Dance/Cheer, STEM and Hockey Academies at HSS for 24/25 year.** Attend meeting May 14th, 7pm north gym to learn more and have input into this unique programming. [See email sent from HSS April 30th](#)