

## **School Council Information**

Ontario Regulation 612/00 is the legislation that governs the operation of school councils. This Regulation has been amended by O. Regulation 330/10, School Councils and Parent Involvement Committees. The content of 612/00 has not been changed in 330/10. The following information is a synopsis of this Regulation.

### **Elections and Term of Office:**

- One year term beginning October and ending the following September
- If an election is needed, it must be held within the first 30 days (calendar days) from the start of the school year
- A parent/guardian is not restricted to the number of times they can be elected or acclaimed to the council
- The first meeting of the new council must occur within 35 days (calendar days) of the election or acclamation.

### **Notice to Parents and Guradians of School Council Nominations:**

- Parents and guardans must be given a minimum of 14 days (instructional days) notice of the date of the election. The School Council Nomination Form must be filed in the Main Office prior to the election date and indicates interest in being a voting member of the new council. The Nomination form does not indicate a preference for a specific executive position on council.

### **School Council Executive Positions:**

- At the first council meeting of the school year, October, the elected parent and/or guardian members of council will choose the chair/co-chairs, secretary and treasurer. The Principal sets the date of the October meeting of the new council.

### **Details of the Positions and Responsibilities on Council:**

Go to [www.hdsb.ca](http://www.hdsb.ca) and put School Council in the Search area – scroll to the bottom of the list for this resource. You can download the *School Council Handbook Supplement: A Quick Reference Guide, 2011* to read the details of these roles and responsibilities.

### **2016 – 2017 School Council Meeting Dates at 6:30pm - Proposed**

Monday September 26, 2016  
Monday October 17, 2016  
Monday November 14, 2016  
Monday January 16, 2017  
Monday February 13, 2017  
Monday April 3, 2017  
Monday May 15, 2017