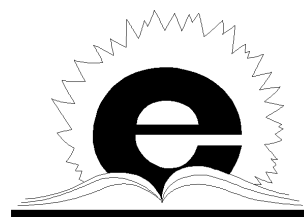


ELMDALE SCHOOL

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Thank you for taking the time to consider volunteering your time with the Elmdale Parent Council. We understand that a partnership between the school and families is important. There is extensive research that supports the positive impact that parental involvement can have on their child's schooling experience. We recognize that parental involvement looks differently for all families, from reading with your child, communicating with your child's teacher, and volunteering in school.

Research suggests that parental involvement contributes to the success of a child's education (Epstein, 2011; Henderson & Mapp, 2002; Hoover-Dempsey et al., 2005). Joyce Epstein, Director of the Center on School, Family, and Community Partnerships at Johns Hopkins University, emphasizes that, "in study after study, teachers, parents, administrators, and even students from elementary through high school say that parental involvement benefits students, improves schools, assists teachers, and strengthens families" (Epstein, 2011, p. 3).

The Elmdale Parent Advisory Council is a dedicated group of parents and caregivers who meet **once per month** to discuss:

- Fundraising
- Upcoming events
- Improvements to school and classrooms
- Learning
- Finances.

The students of Elmdale School need strong advocates who can help to make the school a better learning experience.

Please consider joining the PAC for our next meeting March 8, 2016 at 7:00pm in the school library.

Thank you for your partnership,

Elmdale Parent Council