

## ASCA School Council Engagement Task Force – March 2023 REQUEST FOR INPUT

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Thank you for participating in the *School Council Engagement Task Force (SCETF)* for the 2022 – 2023 school year.

The feedback your school council parent representative compiles and submits to the ASCA is greatly appreciated by the Board to assist in their considerations on education issues in Alberta.

*The Board utilizes information gathered to inform the advocacy work of the association. This may include advising at external committee meetings, sharing with appropriate Ministries or provincial education organizations, and the potential for Board sponsored Advocacy Resolutions.*

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*Please submit feedback to ASCA by **April 28, 2023**.*

### Request for input regarding **School Council Political Engagement**

The Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) works to empower parents and school councils, providing information and resources to navigate the ever-changing education landscape in Alberta.

As a Provincial Election is anticipated in the spring of 2023, the Board of Directors wants to ensure that School Councils are considering that while political party platforms will discuss topics including taxes, healthcare, the economy, and environment - ASCA believes Education is a critical topic as decisions regarding the education system - for all students - will affect us today, and for many years to come.

- 1) As a School Council, have you discussed which aspects of political engagement you would like to explore leading up to Alberta's Provincial Election?  
☐ Yes ☐ No Comments:
- 2) As a School Council, do you plan to discuss which aspects of political engagement you would like to explore leading up to Alberta's Provincial Election?  
☐ Yes ☐ No Already discussed: ☐ Comments:
- 3) As a School Council, do you plan to undertake activities to create awareness of Alberta's Provincial Election and your local candidates within your school community?  
☐ Yes ☐ No Comments:
- 4) Have your local candidates been announced?  
☐ Yes ☐ No Comments:
- 5) Will your School Council consider discussing how your local candidates stand on the topics important to your School Council (ie. Curriculum, Class Size, Education Infrastructure Spending, etc.)?  
☐ Yes ☐ No Comments:
- 6) Will your School Council consider organizing or attending a forum for provincial (MLA) candidates?  
☐ Yes ☐ No Comments:

- 7) Will your School Council consider sending an email / letter to provincial (MLA) candidates?  
☐ Yes ☐ No Comments:
- 8) Will your School Council communicate dates/locations of political events? ☐ Yes ☐ No Comments:
- 9) Will your School Council create and circulate relevant questions to ask candidates? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
Comments:
- 10) Will your School Council send questions to candidates from the School Council, and post responses for all  
parents to see? ☐ Yes ☐ No Comments:
- 11) Are there other activities (*not already mentioned*) that your School Council will consider or engage in to  
create awareness of Alberta's provincial election and your local candidates within your school community?  
☐ Yes ☐ No Examples:
- 12) As a School Council, do you believe it's important to engage with your local MLA?  
☐ Yes ☐ No Comments:
- 13) How do you think your School Council can best engage with your local MLA?  
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- 14) How do you think your School Council can best engage with the Ministry of Education?  
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Thank you for completing the survey. Please visit our website for [School Council Political Engagement](#)  
information and more on [School Council Advocacy](#).

School Council Name: \_\_\_\_\_

***Thank you for your input!***

Link to online input FORM:

<https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/about/the-parent-voice/school-council-engagement-task-force-input>