Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) is the provincial association for parents on school council.

School Council provides opportunity for parents to participate in public education and contribute to student learning success.

ASCA provides supports to enhance school council effectiveness and presents the parent perspective to government and provincial education organizations.

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The Government of Alberta recognizes the value of parents and the community in the education of children, and requires school councils in every school operated by a school board in Alberta.

School Councils provide a method for parents in the school community to consult with, and offer advice to, the principal and the school board.

#### Established school councils:

- focus on what is best for all students in the school
- consider the interests of all school stakeholders
- maintain and reflect the culture of the school
- represent the parent voice in the school community

### The provincial organization of school councils:

- Brings the parent perspective on education issues to government and others;
- Provides resources and support to enhance school council effectiveness;
- Promotes the involvement and engagement of parents in education;
- Works with education groups and government to promote excellence in public education;
- Provides research and timely information about education to school councils.

## **Provincial Decision-Making**

Alberta Education and organizations representing teachers, school boards, superintendents, universities and others, regularly collaborate on provincial level issues through joint advisory committees.

Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) brings the parent perspective to the education committees.

The Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) provides support and resources, knowledge and skill development, consultation and workshops, to enhance meaningful parent contribution and participation in school councils across the province.

### WORKSHOPS

Workshops delivered in local school communities for individual school councils, groups and school districts.

## CONSULTATION

Telephone support for school councils in Alberta. 1.800.661.3470 or 780.454.9867 Edmonton.

## RESOURCES

Website, School Council Resource Guide, Video Tutorials, Templates, Tip Sheets.

# COMMUNITY

Information and issues sharing, networking and social media.

## EVENTS

Presentations, Recognition Awards, Annual General Meeting and provincial School Councils Conference.

## COMMUNICATION

News, updates, bulletins, research, reports, surveys, requests for input.

### **REPRESENTATION**

Parents on school councils submit issues to influence change in education for member consideration at each Annual General Meeting (AGM). Issues that receive majority support become policy of the association and presented as the collective parent voice in Alberta.

