

ACADIA PARENT COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Date: September 9, 2026

Location: Acadia School/Virtual

Time: 6:30-7:30pm

Present:

- **Land Acknowledgment by:**
- *We would like to acknowledge the traditional territories and oral practices of the Blackfoot Nations, which include the Siksika (See-see-gah), The Pikani(Bee-gah-nee) and the Kainai(guy-nah). We also acknowledge the Tsuut'ina(Soot-tenna), the Stoney Nakoda(Na-ko-da) First Nations, the battle river territory and all people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of Southern Alberta.*
- **Meeting called to order by:** Loretta @ 6:32pm
- **Approval of the September 2026 agenda:**
 Motioned: Jen P
 Seconded: Cole
- **Approval of the May 2026 minutes:**
 Motioned: Jen P
 Seconded: Loretta
- **Teachers Report:** No report for first meeting
- **Administrators Reports:**
 Intro of the executive team. Loretta as president, Mike as treasurer, Cole as casino coordinator, Elyse as secretary & Shay as fundraising coordinator.

Welcome Back BBQ; proposed date September 24, 2026

David Thompson is doing BBQ the same night and CBE has changed the rules around food; people serving food need to have a food handling certificate. We will take a year off from a BBQ but still do a teacher meet and greet. We have a lot of backpacks to hand out to the kids. **Meet the teacher from 4:30 to 6:30 on Sept 24.**

Thanks to the returning parent council members.

Class sizes are looking good. Grade 4 is the biggest at 24 x 3 classes, the rest are around 20 per class. Total of 402 students. We were able to hire a new teacher for Grade 6 - large class size grant from govt. Ea's will be dispatched to grade 2 & 4 classrooms. We have our complexity team: Mrs. Galway and 2 EAs supporting a small group of students.

Acadia School is on Instagram! Vice Principal, Lesley-Anne Hatch posts regularly and is mindful not to show kids faces. Look us up!

Awesome Acadians(oh yeah!) program. It is made up of four puzzle pieces that our students 'earn' throughout the school year to earn their medal.

Mindful(Green) - showing emotions, self regulation and how we care for one another.

Responsible(Red) - take ownership for my mistakes and see advocate for myself.

Brave(Purple) - Perseverance, trying your best, taking risks and it's ok to make mistakes.

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Kind(Yellow) -these are acts of service, something I will do for my class, community, school or planet.

When kids demonstrate the attributes regularly they get acknowledged during the assembly on Fridays. When they collect all 4, they get a medal.

They kick off every assembly with a cheer - "I am Brave, I am mindful, I am Kind, I am responsible. I am an awesome acadian oh yeah!"

Every time they get a puzzle piece, they get their name in a draw for a prize. If you have a gently used stuffy or toy that would work for prizes, feel free to donate.

-Alberta education screening assessments begin Monday, Sept 14 - Oct 2 for Kinder - Grade 5 students.

-First lockdown practice Sept 15, Calgary Police will be on site.

-Terry Fox Run is on Sept 18. Toonies for Terry or online donation(info will be in the WAG).

-Oct 1 - Grade 6 immunization

-Oct 8 - Photos - we need volunteers. Nov 4 is retakes
(50% off coupons, only 4 per school).

-Teachers present at meetings each month, so you get a snapshot of what kids are learning about.

-Check out the WAG(week at a glance) that Lesley-Anne sends out Fridays at 3pm

Question - Will Kindergartens be involved with Terry Fox run? If they are in class when the run happens, they will be a part of it. If they are not at school during the time and wish to attend, a parent will have to attend with them.

Question - During winter, will Children be allowed to enter the school early? If its below -20 with wind chill, kids are let in early. If it's raining, or too smokey kids are kept inside.

- **Steps from last meeting: n/a**

- **New Business:**

- executive positions and parent engagement

- 14 parents present and 15 are online, Loretta is encouraging people to keep attending meetings or join the executive team, we need a vice president that would be willing to take over as president next year. We are a laid back and welcoming team. We will vote on positions during the next meeting in October.

- **Next meeting Date:** Wednesday, October 14, 2026 6:30pm

- **Meeting Adjourned: by Loretta @ 7:05pm.**