



Parent-to-Parent

Ecole Frere Antoine [EFA] School Council [SC]

Hello Everyone!

February has arrived, and it feels like spring is finally around the corner!

A look back at January....

- **School Council Survey** - This annual Google Forms survey was sent out to parents, and we received a record **67** responses! Thank you so much to everyone who took the time to provide feedback, we look forward to sharing the survey results tomorrow evening! Some points made in the results do show that more clarification is needed.
 - ◆ **Why is most of our communication online?** We are volunteer based, and pay to run our programs through fundraised dollars. We must pay to print hard copy items, which take significantly longer for our limited number of volunteer event coordinators to distribute and tabulate. We will discuss concerns with access to technology in our next meeting.
 - ◆ **What do I do if I spot a traffic / community safety concern (for example, speeding ETS city busses or construction vehicles)?** Please take pictures if possible, get license plate numbers, record the time, and after reporting the incident to 311 email the details to efasac.safety@gmail.com for follow-up. This gets results!
 - ◆ **Can we include a "Parents' Concerns" section in the monthly meeting?** If parents wish to bring a concern forward that is not student / class specific, they may always email efasac.chair@gmail.com to have their item added to the next agenda created. This is a fantastic way to create positive change and is highly encouraged. If a situation is student or class-specific, or urgent, please contact school administration for immediate attention.
 - ◆ **Why do we not include EFAFA (the Ecole Frere Antoine Fundraising Association) in our Volunteer Band App?** EFAFA is a legal entity of its own, an organization that, other than being housed in the school and funding school purchases, is completely separate from the school and the school board. It is legally necessary for the two groups to remain separated, and that separation must be apparent. We may choose to assist EFAFA by letting members know of opportunities, but may not share our volunteers' contact information.

A look into February....

- **Alberta School Councils Engagement (ASCE) Grant**
 - ◆ School Council will be selecting engagement evening topic(s) at the next meeting.
- **Upcoming SC Lunch Events**
 - ◆ February 10 - **Birthday Lunch** for children with February and March birthdays.
 - Birthday lunch ordering was returned to a paper form, cash only process.
 - ◆ February 17 - **Diner du Mois** - order online via <https://healthyhunger.ca>

Our next meeting will be held via MS Teams on February 7 at 6:30 PM.
Please email Keira.Pagacz@ecsd.net for an invitation to join.

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Requests must be received by 4:30 PM on February 7; subject line "School Council Meeting".

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