## 2016-2017 School Council Annual Report

Please complete this form by Wednesday, June 28, 2017.

We would also love if you shared supporting images, videos or documents to help illustrate your report. These items can be sent to Gina Alderman (info below). These may be included as part of a public presentation to the Waterloo Region District School Board Trustees in the fall of 2017.

If you have any questions please contact Gina Alderman by email (gina\_alderman@googleapps.wrdsb.ca) or at 519-570-0003 ext 4501.

Thank you for all the time and work you put into to making our school communities great!

Email address *
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School Name *
Westmount
School Type *
Elementary
Secondary
Approximately how many active members sit on your council? *
14

### How do you recruit new members?

We recruit new members through a form that is sent home at the beginning of the year requesting volunteers. Council members also encourage parents to join school council

## What methods do you use to communicate with your school community? \*

We send home paper notices about upcoming events and communicate through School Day and Synervoice

### What methods do you use for fundraising? \*

We raise money through pizza days, outreach to the community and through creative fundraising initiatives like the PUmpkin and mitten drives

# Approximately how much was your council able to raise in total this school year? \*

approximately \$11,000

### What was your most successful fundraiser this school year?

Pizza Fridays is our most successful

### What events did your council host or help support this school year? \*

School council hosted the Welcome to the New School Year lemonade and Cookie social during Meet the Teacher, The Clothing Drive, Breakfast Club, Lunch Club, The Newcomer Parents' Group with alot of help from the staff, Food 4 Kids with a lot of help from the staff, financial support the WE Group, Science Night, Science Fair with Let's Talk Science interactive tables, Mitten Drive, Field trip funding, and Author Day . School Council also actively supported our school's SCIS Initiatives

# Which event from this school year would you consider your most successful?

The Science Fair is our biggest event

# What materials or supplies did the council provide to the school community? \*

We supplied our School Community with food for lunch, breakfast, and helped start up Food4Kids - a charity that supplies food for families on the weekends. WE also organized a clothing and mitten drive. We, through our Newcomer Parents' Group, with the help of the staff, helped families feel welcome at our school and provided extra assistance in any way that was helpful and needed

# What do you consider your council's primary major accomplishment for the 2016-2017 school year? \*

We helped to create a warm, friendly, welcoming, safe and inclusive school community at Westmount P.S.

### What do you find are your biggest challenges as a council?

We struggle to raise funds to support our initiatives and school. We find it challenging to find enough volunteers to help out at school.

### What goals are your council working toward for the 2017-2018 school year?

We want to continue with our outreach into the community in order to further integrate Westmount P.S. into our community. Ultimately we want to continue to foster a safe, caring, and inclusive environment at our school.

## What suggestions do you have for WRDSB to help support your work?

We could really use extra help with translation services and methods to communicate with our

Newcomer and ESL families.
Name of individual filling out this form: *
Christine Carmody/Tamara Kaufman
Name of council Chairperson: *
Christine Carmody
Name of school principal (or designate): *
Tamara Kaufman
I certify that the material provided within this form is true to the best of my knowledge and has been approved by both the School Council Chairperson and Principal (or designate) for the school provided: *
I agree.
O I do not agree.
I am submitting supporting images, videos or documents to gina_alderman@googleapps.wrdsb.ca *
Yes
No

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