

Parent Advisory Team Application

The Parent Advisory Team consists of parents or guardians representing the diversity of our school community.

If you are interested in applying to serve, please read the information below and apply using the link at the end of the document.

Purpose

The intent of the Parent Advisory Team is to advise the Principal and other school leaders on ways to improve the student and families' experiences in our schools, develop strong school-to-home partnerships, and promote the active participation and engagement of parents, families, and community members in the achievement and well-being of all students.

Goal

The Marysville School District recognizes that family engagement in education positively affects student achievement and is an important strategy to close achievement gaps. In creating a Parent Advisory Team at each of our schools, the District wishes to promote respectful partnerships between educators, administrators, and families to support student learning and positive child/youth development at home, in school, and in the community.

The Parent Advisory Team will meet monthly during the school year between October and June. Meetings will be planned and facilitated by school principals. The Executive Director of Equity and Family Engagement and other district and school leaders and staff will participate as needed.

The main duties of the Parent Advisory Team will be to:

- Provide constructive feedback and input from a parental perspective on various school-based initiatives, programs, and ideas.
- Make recommendations on how the school can improve.
- Assist the principal in deciding what information to communicate to parents. "What do parents need to know?"
- Bring forward issues that parents feel need to be addressed and help develop recommendations on how to address the issues to the principal, particularly regarding the student and parent experience.
- Serve as an advisory team, not a decision-making body, that encourages brainstorming, collaboration, and effective problem-solving.
- Work together using an equitable lens for all students.

Application to the Parent Advisory Team

Thank you for your interest in serving on the (Insert School's Name) Parent Advisory Team (PAT). Each application will be considered. Members should plan to attend each meeting. By applying to represent your school on the Parent Advisory Team, you agree to the above information and guidelines. Please note that we will consider all applications, but it does not guarantee that you will be selected to serve on the advisory team.

Click **HERE** to apply.

If you need assistance completing the application, please reach out to the following:

Spanish-speaking assistance: (Insert your school's Hispanic liaison's contact information)

Russian-Ukrainian speaking assistance: Svetlana Pasonok at (360) 965-0253

For all other assistance: Dr. Courtney Hill, (360) 965-0008 or Jodi Runyon, (360) 965-0005