

# School Council

April 4, 2023

Welcome to our Fourth and Final 2022-23  
School Council Meeting!

# Minutes & Agenda

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# Principal Profile (HR-06)

Each year, the School Council, facilitated by the Chair and the Principal, are required to prepare a Principal Profile. This form highlights the areas that our school should continue, stop and start as we work toward our school improvement plans for 2023-2024

## Principal Profile

SCHOOL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_

**PURPOSE**

The School Council, facilitated by the Chair and the Principal, are required to prepare a Principal Profile. Periodically, the Rainbow District School Board will consider the transfer and/or placement of administrative staff to and from a school community. These School Council recommendations will provide input to Executive Council in the selection process.

When preparing your Principal Profile, please consider/complete the following:

**SCHOOL/COMMUNITY GOALS**

The school Principal and staff, in consultation with the School Council, work collaboratively in order to develop school improvement plans. The following summary provides indicators which positively influence student learning:

**Mission/Goals**

- Shared values and beliefs
- Clear goals
- Instructional leadership
- High level of trust and mutual respect

**Instruction**

- High expectations
- Teacher teamwork and the sharing of responsibilities
- Instructional and curriculum focus
- Frequent monitoring of student achievement
- Frequent monitoring of student behaviours

**Learning Environment**

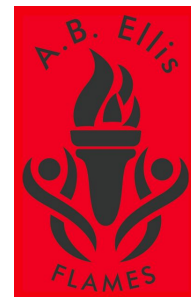
- Student involvement, commitment and responsibility
- Safe school environment
- Student recognition and incentives
- Code of student behaviour
- Parental and community involvement and support

Our school should continue to:

Our school should no longer:

Our school should begin to:

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## Principal Profile

**EXPECTATIONS FOR ADMINISTRATORS**

Please respond to the following:

Identify the leadership characteristics/qualities which are important to your school community goals.

Outline strategies the Principal/Vice Principal should use to implement the goals of the school.

The Principal/Vice Principal Profile has been jointly prepared by the School Council and the current school administration.

SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF SCHOOL COUNCIL CHAIR \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

# Eco Challenge - May 2 @ 9:30 am



Classrooms will be joining this online speaking engagement scheduled for Thursday, May 4th beginning at 9:30 a.m. This virtual presentation will be live streamed into each classroom.

Our guest speaker is Ms. Robin Wall-Kimmerer, author of *Braiding Sweetgrass* and *Braiding Sweetgrass for Young Adults*. She is an Anishinaabe Kwe Indigenous Woman from the Boodweaataamii Pottawatomi Nation and she will share her Indigenous perspective about the importance of an Honourable Harvest to support environmental responsibility and gratitude for our planet Mother Earth Shkagamikwe.

The overall presentation on Thursday May 4th, 2023, will be 1 hour and 15 minutes:

- 10 minutes for a brief overview of our commitment to both our Climate Action and Truth and Reconciliation: Commitment to Action plans. Including formal introduction of the guest presenter
- 45 minutes for the guest presentation
- 15 minutes for a question and answer period
- 5 minutes for closing remarks which will include a hand drum Honour song.

We understand that the virtual presentation may be quite extensive for the primary and junior divisions; so teachers will be provided with a choice of classroom activities to do during the presentation to fully engage students in the learning opportunity.

We are also excited to share that this speaking engagement will also serve as a springboard in the launch of our inaugural school-community Traditional Harvest Celebration scheduled for the Fall Digwaagi in the Fall of our 2023-2024 school year. This upcoming celebration will be planned around the theme of “Reclaiming the Honourable Harvest” inspired by Robin Wall-Kimmerer.

Our Environmental Committee and the Indigenous Education Program will be sending out an information package in the next few months to all schools for teachers to begin considering their participation in this Board-wide invitational event.

This forthcoming information package will include:

- A guide about how students of all grades can participate in a School-Based Fall Fair to help promote arts and crafts, creative expression, baking, cooking, making preserves, planting and harvesting plants for food and medicine and growing flowers.
- Selected on-line resources to help connect school curriculum with the importance of environmental sustainability as our responsibility to conserve our natural resources and to protect our ecosystems to support health and wellbeing.
- A school copy of Robin’s book *Braiding Sweetgrass for Young Adults* to begin exploring Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants.



# Education Week Activities - May 1-5th

- Movie Fun Night April 27 - purpose to engage families at the school
- Music Monday - May 1, joint music concert with EHS from 11:30-12:30 pm to support the Joan Mantel Music Trust
- Kindergarten Orientation - May 2, 5:30-6:30 pm
- Guest speaker - May 4 @ 9:30 am, Ms. Robin Wall-Kimmerer, author of Braiding Sweetgrass and Braiding Sweetgrass for Young Adults  
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  - A.B. Ellis Pow Wow - Friday, May 5



# EQAO Assessment - May 10 - June 14

-please make sure appointments and unnecessary absences don't occur during the window of May 10 to June 14

-[Sample of Online Test](#) - Grade 3

-[Sample of Online Test](#) - Grade 6

# Tips for Parents and Guardians

Supporting Your Child Before an EQAO Assessment



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EQAO

We asked members of the EQAO Student Advisory Committee about what helped them to feel confident about their upcoming EQAO assessment. Here are some of their insights:

- Students are less likely to feel nervous when they have **positive discussions about the EQAO assessment** and hear about how it helps education in Ontario.



- Students appreciate **encouraging conversations about their ability to succeed**. It's important for them to feel supported and to hear that they're ready.



- Students benefit by **hearing from other students who have previously written the assessment**.



- Students think an EQAO assessment **should be treated like any other test at school**.



- Students want to **understand the structure and content of the test**.

**Tip:** To help students become familiar with the format of the assessment and the types of questions that can be asked, you can refer to examples of test materials available on EQAO's website.





# Movie Planning Night

Thursday, April 27, 2023

*The Bad Guys*

**5:30pm start time, doors open at 5:00pm**



School Council is calling for parent volunteers to help plan and run a family friendly Movie Night. Come out to our School Council meeting on Tuesday, April 4 @6:30pm or contact the school for details on how you can help with this event. Stay tuned to our Facebook page for reminder posts closer to the date! (This was in our April Newsletter.)

Volunteers (4pm arrival): Kaarina, Robin, Darren, Shannon, Melissa, Kendra

Invitations to parents of JK registrations that may not be a sibling. (Dana)

Movie - purchase the movie by Amazon (covers off the ability to show).

Food Sales + donations (to School Activities), pre order large pepperoni pizzas(delivery at 5pm), encourage water bottles, Robin to approach local businesses & Lions Club for donations of prepackaged snacks,

Set-up (Admin with Grade 8) - mats at front, benches & chairs at back, extra stacked chairs available, equipment (Jason?), garbages and blue boxes (Eco Club),

Supervisors - Darren, Robin, Melissa cash box and treat tables, Kaarina & Andre pizza distribution, Kendra (bouncer)

Community Use Permit - office staff



# Mark Your Calendar

Apr 5 - Jersey Day

Apr 6 - Easter Egg Hunt

Apr 7-10 - Easter Long Weekend - no school

Apr 24 - Spring Picture Day

Apr 27 - Movie Night

Apr 28 - PA Day - no school for students

May 2 - Kindergarten Open House, 5:30-6:30

May 4 - Superhero/Star Wars Day



# Mark Your Calendar

May 5 - AB Ellis Pow Wow

May 10-June 14 - EQAO Administration window

May - 10 & 11 Ellis Track & Field (tentative - booking to be made)

May 22 - Victoria Day - no school

May 23 - Senior (Gr. 7/8) Track and Field at Laurentian University

June 8 - Junior (Gr. 4-6) Track and Field at Laurentian University

June 9 - PA Day - no school for students

June 22 - Grade 8 Graduation @ 6 pm in our gym

June 30 - Last day of School/Report Cards sent home

