

Student Club and Council Member Expectations

Overview:

At Parkdale CI student club and council members are expected to represent the student body and advocate actively and positively for student interests. Students are also expected to regularly attend meetings, participate in discussions, and positively contribute to the development of school life and school culture. PCI clubs and councils **must** have a staff advisor to supervise, mentor and guide the group.

Specific Expectations:

- **Representation and Advocacy:**

Club and council members are expected to positively represent the student body's interests and advocate for their needs and concerns with staff at the school in a respectful and transparent manner. Regular attendance at meetings and super council (where applicable) are expected by members of the club and/or council.

- **Time Commitment:**

Expectations vary for every club and council, but a significant time commitment (outside of instructional time) is often required, ranging from as small as a couple of hours a week to over 10+ hours per week when prepping for large whole school events. Volunteer hours may be earned for a member's service outside of the instructional day and so long as they meet ministry volunteer guidelines/parameters.

- **Communication and Collaboration:**

Club and council members are expected to communicate with their peers, faculty, and other stakeholders effectively, collaboratively, and positively.

- **Policy Feedback:**

Club and council members may be invited to provide feedback to members of the TDSB as they relate to policies and regulations that affect student life.

- **Adherence to the School Code of Conduct:**

All members of student clubs and/or councils at PCI must follow and adhere to the TDSB and/or PCI code of conduct as a representative of their respective group. If a violation of the TDSB and/or school code of conduct is reported an investigation may be launched. If it is deemed that the violation has had a negative impact on the club, council, school or its members, the member in violation may be asked to leave the club/council.

- **Financial Responsibility:**

Clubs and councils may choose to raise money for their group. It is the responsibility of the staff advisor to manage club finances, ensuring transparency, and maintaining accurate records.