The Mission of PDAC

To advance District 204’s commitment to equity and educational excellence.

The PDAC Promise

PDAC promises to engage in active conversations concerning issues that are important to you.

We promise to stand along side you when you need an advocate.

We promise to work with the district to ensure all families and students in our community feel welcomed in their respective school buildings and in their classrooms.

We promise to bring awareness to the meaning of equity.

And most importantly, we promise to advance District 204’s commitment to equity and educational excellence always.

Parent Diversity Advisory Council

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Parent Diversity Advisory Council- PDAC IPSD 204
Our Accomplishments

◊ Conduct Monthly Dialogue Meetings
◊ Initiated Translator Database
◊ Lead Student Forums
◊ Instituted Religious Calendar
◊ Collaboration with IPSD Parent Organizations
◊ Conduct Yearly World Café
◊ Yearly Screening of Movie For 204 Community
◊ Established PDAC Liaisons in all Schools
◊ Instituted Equity Champion Awards
◊ Organize PDAC Book Club
◊ Received Honorable Letter in the U.S. Congressional Record for PDAC 15 Year Anniversary.

2018-2019 Calendar of Events

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<td>September 27 (TH) 6:30-9pm</td>
<td>World Café  How can Parents Work With Their Schools as Effective Partners?</td>
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<td>October 23 (T) 7-9pm</td>
<td>Parent Engagement: Communication and Advocacy  How can parents effectively communicate with their children’s educators?</td>
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<td>Liaison Meeting  Year planning and idea share, successes and challenges</td>
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<td>January 15 (T) 7-9pm</td>
<td>Parent Engagement: Parenting the Whole Child  How can parents and schools partner to advocate for the social emotional well being of students and address the challenges of mental health issues?</td>
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<td>February 21 (TH) 7-9pm</td>
<td>Parent Engagement Across Cultures  Beyond volunteerism: what does parent engagement in education across cultures look like?</td>
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<td>March 12 (T) 7-9pm</td>
<td>Liaison Meeting  Building for next year; planning PDAC school committees, project and long range plans</td>
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<td>April 16 (T) 7-9pm</td>
<td>Parent Engagement: Supporting Learning at Home  How can parents support their children in academic learning at home, including homework, goal-setting, and other educationally-related activities/resources?</td>
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<td>May 7 (T) 7-9pm</td>
<td>Year End Celebrations, Reflections, and Goals  Collect and share ideas of successful diversity and equity programs/activities in our district’s schools.</td>
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*All meetings take place at the Crouse Educational Center, 780 Shoreline Road, Aurora, unless otherwise noted.

About PDAC

The Parent Diversity Advisory Council facilitates monthly discussions to promote collaboration amongst parents and district staff to address equity and diversity, and share best practices in order to improve experiences and opportunities for all students. The meetings are open to District 204 parents, staff, and community.

Our History

Founded in 2002, as a result of a parent forum held by the school district with parents and staff members in relation to diversity issues.