



## Why should school councils participate?

The results from the survey provide valuable data that will help you in your work. The survey results provide insight into what school councils see as their purpose and also offer information about communication between parents and the school system.

When I did it with my school council, we found that it really helped to focus our work, and the principal was particularly appreciative, as it helped him to better understand our priorities and interests. So it is well worth doing!

The [annual report](#) produced from our school surveys is used by academics, policy-makers, the media and the Ministry of Education to assess education and parent involvement policy and talk about possible changes needed.

It is important that we get a high level of participation to ensure that we get an accurate picture of what is happening across the province.

Please share this message with all of your school council contacts in other schools and urge them to complete the survey too. Visit our website where you can either complete the survey online or print a copy: [http://www.peopleforeducation.com/school\\_survey](http://www.peopleforeducation.com/school_survey)

Or >>>[click here to view a copy of the survey](#)  
>>>[click here to begin the online survey](#)

The **deadline** for completing the survey is now **January 31, 2010**.

We need one school council survey per school. (Your principal has a separate survey to fill out for the school data).

Thanks so much for your help, and for all of your work supporting public education.

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