



## GRAY ELEMENTRAY PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) at Gray helps bring our school community to life through spirit-building activities and fundraising that directly support our students, teachers, and programs.

### What is a Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

PAC is the officially recognized collective voice of parents at our school. Every parent or guardian of a student enrolled in Gray is a member of PAC. The PAC serves a bridge between the parents and school administration, working collaboratively to support student success and enrich the school experience for every family.

### Why Join the PAC?

Joining the PAC is one of the most effective ways to stay informed, involved, and connected to your child's education. Here's why you should consider participating:

- **Be Informed** – Get updates on school events, policies, and initiatives directly from school leaders.
- **Have a Voice** – Share your ideas and concerns and help shape decisions that affect students and families.
- **Build Community** – Meet other parents, collaborate on events, and foster a strong, inclusive school culture.
- **Support Your Child** – When parents are involved, students do better academically and socially.

Whether you have a little time or a lot, every contribution makes a difference.

### What Does the PAC Support?

The PAC supports a wide range of initiatives that directly benefit students, staff, and families, including:

- **School Events** – Organizing events for the school and community to help raise money for our school
- **Fundraising** – Supporting enrichment opportunities like field trips, classroom resources, and teachers wish lists

- **Advocacy** – Representing the parent perspective in discussions with school administration and the school district.

The PAC is always looking for extra hands to support with:

Special Events | Fundraising | Hot Lunch | Volunteer Coordination

We'd love for you to get involved—whether that means lending a hand once in a while, joining a committee, or stepping into a leadership role. Every bit of help makes a difference, and the more people we have, the more fun (and laughter) along the way!

**PAC meetings** happen on the **4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm** in the Gray library.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025/2026

Month	Date	Event
September	18	Welcome Back BBQ
October	3	Kick Ball Tournament
October	17	Halloween Dance
November	14	Parents Night Out
November	29	Christmas Market
December	13	Kids Christmas Fun
February	6	Parents Night Out
February	27	Bingo Night
March	7	Spring Sports Swap
April	10	Spring Dance
May	29	Spring Carnival

DATES AND EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND CANCELLATION  
VOLUNTEERS ARE ALSO NEEDED FOR EACH EVENT

Pre-sale tickets will be sold for every event through MunchaLunch (MAL) and paper orders sent home. Something new we are doing this year is doing in person pre-sales for events. We will have volunteers selling pre-sale tickets for events during the pre-sale window. For more information, please email [grayelementraypac@gmail.com](mailto:grayelementraypac@gmail.com)

## VOLUNTEERING

### 🔔 CALLING ALL CAREGIVERS 🔔

Volunteering is a great way to connect with other families, support our school, and create a welcoming community for our children.

This year, we're working to streamline communication between the PAC, families, and staff so that important information is effectively shared— while also easing the load on teachers and administrators. One way we'll do this is through Classroom Parents: one caregiver per class who serves as a simple but impactful communication link.

We're also building a volunteer list for PAC events throughout the year, so we can reach out when help is needed. Whether you can pitch in before, during, or after school — or take on tasks from home — there are plenty of flexible ways to get involved. This will help ensure events run smoothly without the risk of cancellations due to volunteer shortages.

If you're interested, please email our PAC Volunteer Rep, **Harneet Teja** at [graypacvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:graypacvolunteers@gmail.com) or use the QR Code below to sign up — your involvement makes a big difference!



## HOT LUNCH

Hot Lunch is back! All hot lunch orders are placed through MunchaLunch (MAL) <https://munchalunch.com/login.aspx> . New students will need to set up an account and returning students will need to update their divisions. There will be **ONE** order **DEADLINE** for each **SET** of lunches. Each set of lunches will include 3 or 4 dates. Please ensure you order for all dates that you need before the posted deadline. Sorry, late orders cannot be accepted. All orders must be paid in full before the deadline for your order to be accepted. Payment by credit

card through MunchaLunch is the safest method to ensure your child receives their lunch. We are run by volunteers who have other full-time jobs; therefore, keeping track of cash and cheque payments is not guaranteed by the required order deadlines.

If this method of payment poses a hardship, please contact us directly at [graypaclunch@gmail.com](mailto:graypaclunch@gmail.com)

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