

The QFPC
belongs to parents!

To develop its official positions and policy, the QFPC:

- takes its lead from the General Council, which consists of parents of Parents' Committees that are Federation members from across Québec;
- is helped by the work of the Forum for parents of handicapped children and students with social maladjustments or learning disabilities, which, like the General Council, brings together parents from every part of Québec;
- can consult the parents involved in the various participatory bodies.

To make its positions known, the QFPC:

- meets with key political, government and partner authorities;
- sits on various partner organization committees;
- organizes media activities;
- posts newsletters and opinions on its website or sends them to parents.



Want to find out more?

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or join our activities!**



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The QFPC: *At parents' service*

The purpose of the Québec Federation of Parents' Committees (QFPC) is to defend and promote the rights and interests of parents with children in public elementary or secondary schools in order to ensure quality education and success for students.

The Federation supports involved parents by:

- representing them and conveying their opinions, needs and expectations to Québec-wide organizations;
- bringing them together and fostering and acknowledging their involvement;
- supporting them as they learn by providing them with tools and ways of honing their knowledge and skills;
- keeping them informed about the latest action, trends and issues in the world of education.



Parents as educators and involved citizens

Because parents are their children's first educators:

- They are on the front line at all stages of their children's development.
- They are the first to act to ensure their children's success.

Because parents have opinions, needs and expectations with regard to the education system and they want to ensure the quality of public education and the success of every student:

- They attend the Annual General Assembly at the beginning of the school year.
- They get involved in one of the following committee, based on their ability and availability:
 - the school's childcare users' committee;
 - the school's Parent Participation Organization;
 - the school's Governing Board;
 - the school board's Parents' Committee;
 - the school board's Special Needs Advisory Committee;
 - the Council of Commissioners.

The QFPC: *A toolbox!*

Whether as educators or as members of participatory bodies, parents have questions, need to keep informed and need to know how to communicate with their children, other parents, their school and their community.

The QFPC produces and distributes training and support tools:

- **On the website**
 - Information brochures and pamphlets for families or schools;
 - Blog and videos by experts;
 - Guides for parents;
 - Opinions on various subjects;
- **On the Facebook page**
 - Education tips, news, trends and issues;
- **During training sessions for involved parents**
 - To improve knowledge and skills;
- **Through advisory services**
 - To help parents find their way;
- **At the annual Convention (late May)**
 - Workshops given by experts;
 - Symposium on a topical subject;
 - Opportunities to share experiences with other parents.

