

2017-2018 AFJH School Community Council Election Information

The American Fork Junior High School Community Council announces elections for the 2017-2018 school year. Applications are available at the school or online at www.afjh.alpineschools.org under the “Parents” tab. Click on School Community Council link. We will have three available positions for the 2017-2018 school year. Applications must be received at the school by Monday, August 14th, 2017. Voting will begin at Back to School Night on Thursday, August 17th, 2017 from 3:30 to 5:30 pm and run through August 25th. An overview of school community councils is provided on the school website. For additional information, please contact: Assistant Principal, Grant Cotterell at 801-610-8750 or gcotterell@alpinedistrict.org.

What are school community councils? The Utah Legislature established a law requiring every public school in Utah to establish a school community council at the school building level. Each council consists of elected parents, school employees, and the local school administrator.

What are the purposes of school community councils? School community councils exist to build effective and consistent communication among parents, employees, and school administration. In addition, they allow parents an opportunity to be actively involved with the school in the education of their children.

What responsibilities do school community councils have? School community councils have the following responsibilities:

- Develop a School Improvement and Land Trust Plan
- Participate in the Development of a Professional Development Plan
- Develop a Child Access Routing Plan
- Advise School Administration on Local School Issues
- Provide an Opportunity for Concerns and Issues in the Community to be Presented to the School Administration

What is required of school community council members? The AFJH SCC meets from 7 am to 8 am once each month during the school year. Members are expected to attend meetings, share feedback and input, and counsel together to improve the school and fulfill the responsibilities of the council.

How does someone become a member of a school community council? Elections are held each year for the positions which are up for election. Once elected, a member serves a two-year term. Parents vote for parent members. School employees vote for employee members. The number of parent members is to exceed the number of employee members.