



# Forest Lake State School P&C



Myth 1: Joining the committee is just for Mums...

**BUSTED:** The FLSS P&C committee is definitely not just for Mum's, we welcome and encourage Dad's, Step parents, Grand-parents, Teachers and School Staff and Community Members who may no longer have kids at the school but who live in the area and are interested in what happens at the school. You don't even need to join the committee - you can just come along to one or two meetings to see what happens.

*The committee is for anyone who has an interest in what happens at school.*

Myth 2: I work full time so I can't help at School events...

**BUSTED:** Joining the committee can actually be a good way to maintain links to the school even when you are unable to do school drop off or pick up and find it difficult to attend after school events. Some of the major school events take place on weekends or evenings, but even if you work shifts there are always things you can do at home or online that will help.

*Remember all members of the committee have family plus work and other commitments, so we definitely appreciate that your time is precious.*

Myth 3: The committee is full of cliques who all know each other...

**BUSTED:** We are lucky that we have a group of parents who return to the committee year after year, but the membership is constantly changing as kids graduate and families move. We have new members joining all the time, and people often work in different groups for different events so are constantly meeting new people and getting to know each other. We have parents on the committee who have been in the school more than five years as well as families who are in their first year.

*You are always welcome to join with a friend.*

Myth 4: I don't have any ideas so I can't contribute...

**BUSTED:** while we always need new ideas for fun new events and activities, we also need people who are just happy to pull their sleeves up and offer their help. Some events are well established, and we have guides to follow, other times we are making it up as we go along.

*Whether you are a think-outside-the-box person or prefer to be methodical and follow guidelines, we need people like you!*

Myth 5: If I join I will be hounded to help at lots of events...

**BUSTED:** The P&C is not a one-way ticket to endless drudgery. You can choose to help at one event, all events or no events. Whenever, wherever you can help out, that's great! If not, maybe next time! We need people from all walks of life with many different skills or talents to help us. Your contribution to the P&C can be as small or as large as you can manage (YOU decide how much effort to put in).

*The more people involved the more successful our P&C will be, and it will mean a lighter workload for all.*

Myth 6: There are lots of volunteers and P&C members...

**BUSTED:** There are currently only around 20 members for the 800 odd students who attend FLSS.

*We appreciate all the help we can get!*

Come along to a meeting and/or return the attached form to be added to our email list.

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