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To the Parents of Wakefield Elementary School,

This letter is to inform you that we are implementing a new parent organization for the 2017-2018 school year. This means that your parent organization will no longer operate under a Parent Participation Organization (PPO), but rather will now be recognized as a Home and School Association.

We will be organizing an information session in September (date to be determined) to explain, in more detail, the reasons for this change and to answer any questions parents might have about Home and School Associations. There will be Representatives from the Quebec Federation of Home and School Associations (QFHSA) present to answer all of your questions and to explain the benefits of a parent organization operating as a Home and School Association.

Until then, here is some information that might interest you.

What is a Home and School Association?

The Home and School Association promotes and maintains parental interest and involvement in the school and provides a vehicle for communication and community building between parents and the administration, faculty, and staff. Home and School facilitates cooperative activities that are beneficial to the school.

The Home and School Association aims to promote parents' participation in the development, implementation and periodical evaluation of the children's education through volunteering, fund raising and school activities.

A Home and School Association allows, under strict guidelines, the direct managing of funds raised by the parents of the school. Parents will have a more direct voice and impact on how the money raised is spent and used.

Here is the link to the QFHSA website for more information: [www.qfhsa.org](http://www.qfhsa.org)

Looking forward to working together on this new adventure,

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