



Lord Tennyson Quebec Trip 2020

Kick-off Meeting
October 10, 2018

Agenda

- Introduce Quebec 2020 Executive
- Overview of Quebec Trip
 - What? History, Activities, Benefits
 - How? Grant, Family Payment, Fundraising
 - When? Our kids in Quebec likely February 2020
Quebec twins here likely May 2020
- Fundraising and Volunteering
- Parent Participation Agreement
- Question and Answer
- Volunteer Signup

Quebec 2020 Executive

- Elizabeth Watanabe: Co-Chair
- Barbara Arenson: Co-Chair
- Bob Sokugawa: Secretary
- Jackie Corlett: Co-Treasurer
- Gloria Mason: Co-Treasurer
- Kelly McAuley: Lunch Team
- Tai Scott: Winterfest Champion
- Radha Reddy: Volunteer Coordinator

History & Activities

Grade 7 Students travel to Quebec and stay with a French-speaking host family (the trip is 7 nights)

Students participate in group activities as well as experience speaking French in a home environment

In return, Quebec students or “twins” travel to Vancouver and are hosted by Tennyson families here

The expectation is that our students speak French for the ENTIRE week in Quebec.

Activities

**Carnaval de
Quebec**



**Chateau
Frontenac**



**Villages
Valcartier**



**Host Family
Time**

**Sugar
Shacks**



**Plains of
Abraham**



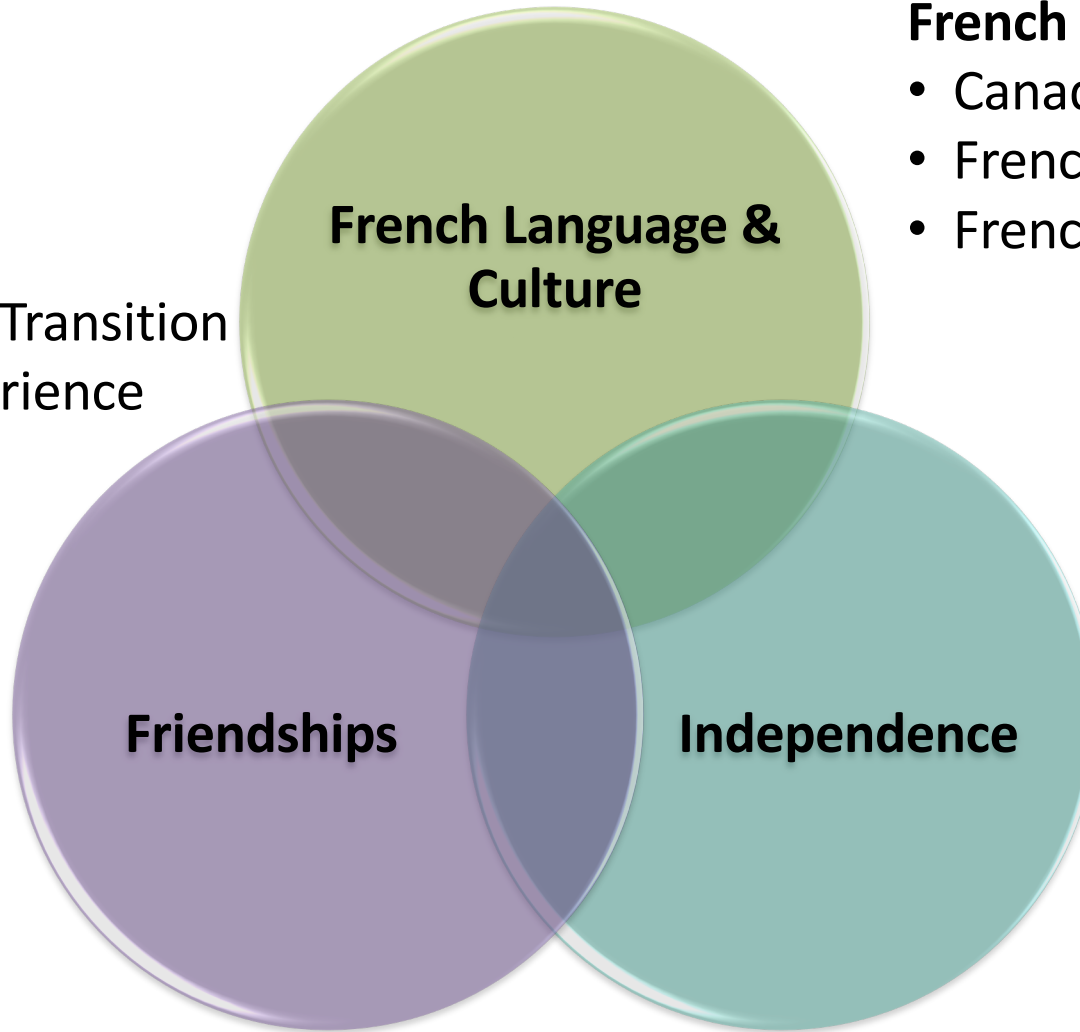
**Ecole de
Cirque**



Student Benefits

Friendships

- Bonding
- High School Transition
- Shared Experience



French Language

- Canadian Culture
- French Culture
- French as a real, living language

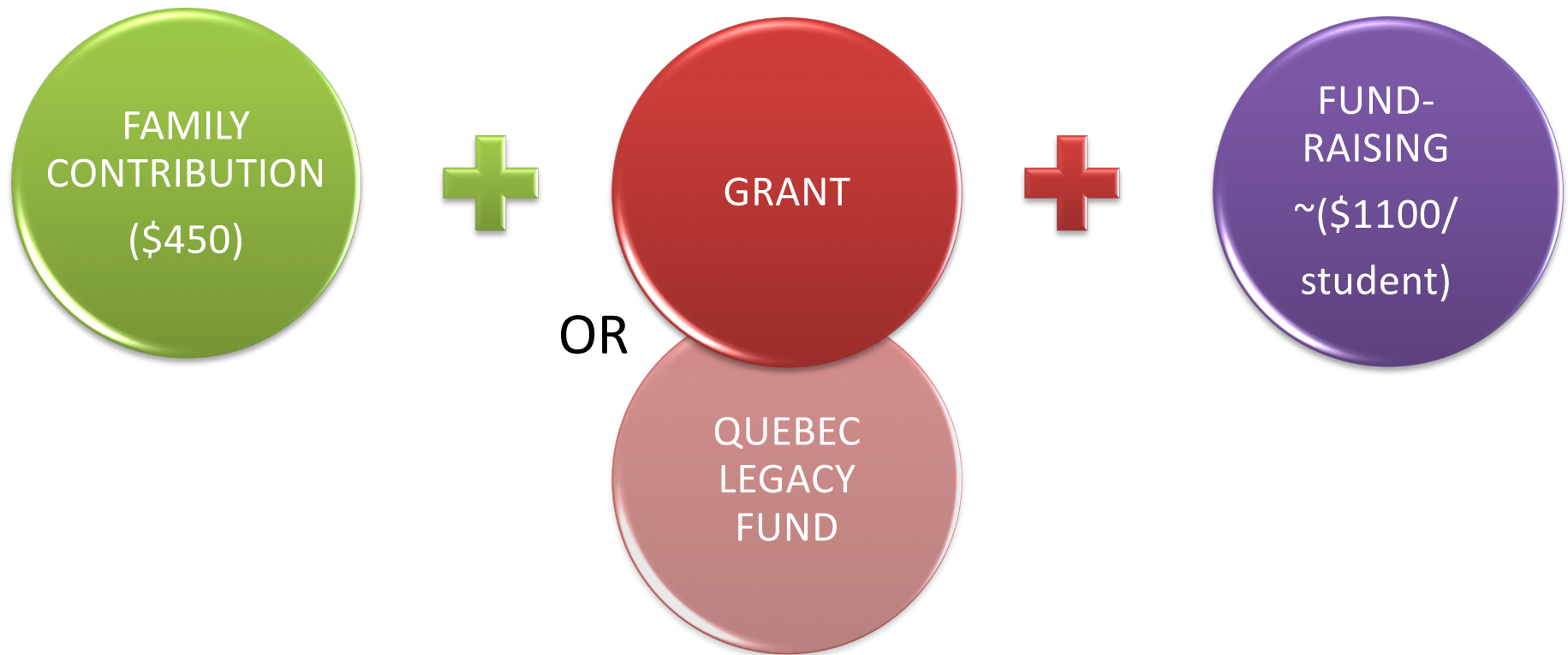
Independence

- Confidence to travel
- Confidence in language
- Outside of comfort zone

How do the students get paired?

- Assuming a grant is received, Experiences Canada pairs our school with a Quebec school
- Students fill out a personal questionnaire
- Teachers from both schools work to match students based on interests and personality
- Students connect (FaceTime, Skype, phone, email) multiple times before meeting in person (parents connect too!)
- All participating families provide 2 references & parents get a criminal records check

How does the trip get paid for?



TOTAL costs cover all expenses for 2 full weeks:

- Lord Tennyson Students Exchange in Quebec (teachers costs, TOC costs, gifts, insurance, bus to airport, Experiences Canada Fees, etc.)
- Quebec Students in Vancouver (all activities in Vancouver)

Family Contribution

Family payment is \$450/student
(this is a fixed cost and includes
BOTH weeks)

2 Payment Options:
Lump Sum of \$450 (Nov 2, 2018)
3 cheques of \$150 (Nov 2, Feb 1,
May 1)

- Details on payment options and volunteer expectations will be talked about soon and handed out at the end of the meeting
- Bursaries (full or partial) are available (from the Quebec Legacy Fund) – please speak to M. Roch

Grants

- **Experiences Canada** (formerly SEVEC)
 - Provides free airfare
 - Provides billeting with Quebec school (enables student exchange and provides free accommodation)
- Application submitted in Grade 6 year
- Grant is not guaranteed – but we have received it for the past 11 years
- Can apply for similar grants from YMCA and 4H
- If no grant is received...
 - Students stay in a hotel in Quebec
 - No hosting by Tennyson families
 - Quebec Legacy Fund helps with cost difference

Quebec Legacy Fund

- Purpose is to help subsidize years where no grant is received
- Created from excess fundraising from previous years and mandatory contributions
- For our year, excess fundraising will go to Quebec Legacy Fund or PAC
- If we do not receive a grant, we can draw from the Quebec Legacy Fund
- Quebec Legacy Fund is also used to provide bursaries

Fundraising and Volunteering

Grade 6
parents/students host a
variety of events to
raise funds; goal is
\$40,000

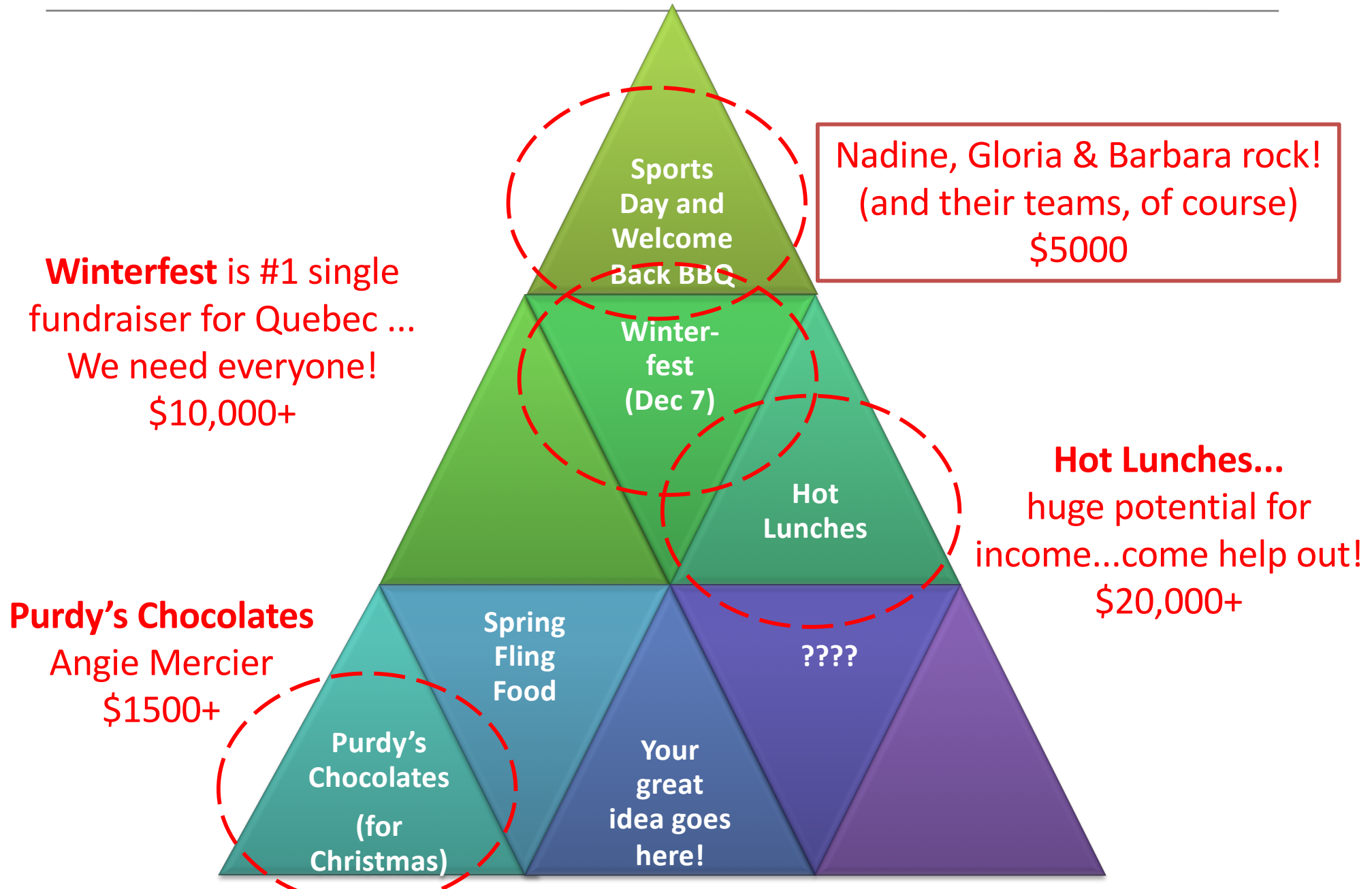
A variety of events
planned; both
traditional and perhaps
some new ideas

All grade 6 families will
be asked to volunteer
for these events

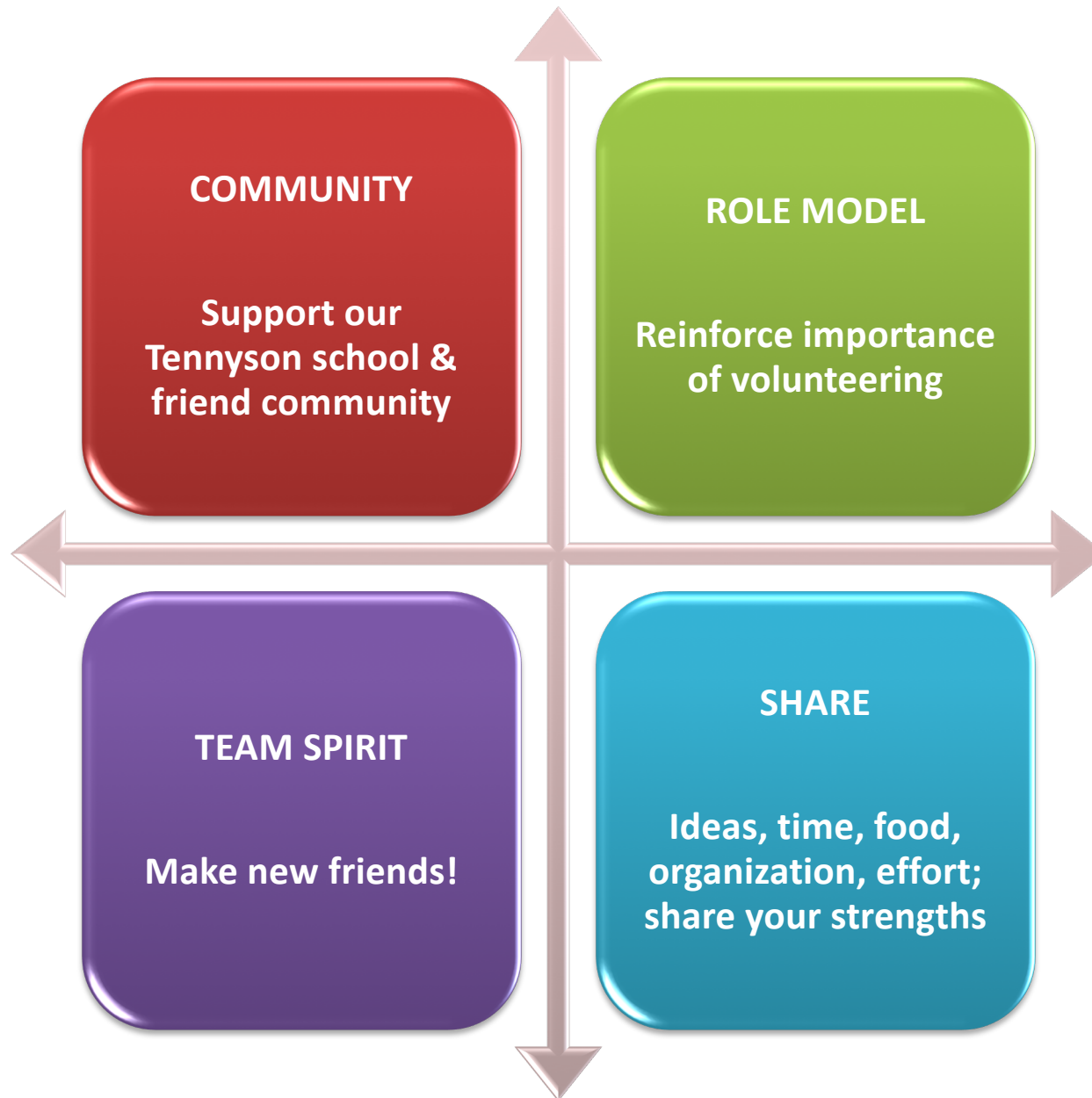
Send additional
fundraising ideas to
Elizabeth Watanabe &
Barbara Arenson

Volunteer Sign-up TONIGHT

Fundraising Events



Add'l Benefits of Volunteering



Parent Participation Agreement

- Outlines what volunteering and donations are expected
- Options for paying full cost to avoid volunteering
- Need it signed this fall because we need full commitment to apply for grants (very little flexibility to change numbers after grants are submitted)
- Trip is open to all Grade 7 students
- Due date is Nov 2, 2018

Parent Participation Agreement

- As the parent(s)/Guardian(s) of a Grade 6/7 child who has the opportunity to go to Quebec on a cultural exchange in 2020, I/we acknowledge that:
- Monies fundraised by the Quebec 2020 group shall be applied only to the Quebec Exchange or distributed as per Section 3 of the “Lord Tennyson Quebec Futures Fund Financing” provisions ([attached](#)). Fundraised monies shall not be used for other Grade 7 group activities as per “Community Fundraising” of the “Tennyson Quebec Exchange Trip Manual” ([attached](#)).
- Family contributions are due in the Grade 6 year in accordance with the payment options outlined below.

Agreement Attachment

- LordTennyson.ca → Tiger Spirit → Quebec Trip → Quebec Futures Fund → Tennyson Quebec Futures Mission Statement and Structure → page 2
- Each Quebec Trip year has a fundraising goal of roughly \$1,100 per student, which includes the required contribution of \$205 per participating student for the TQFF. Building in the contribution to TQFF insures that the fund remains topped up through fundraising efforts, and not from additional parent fees.
- It is understood that all families of participating Quebec Trip years are required to volunteer
- LordTennyson.ca → Tiger Spirit → Quebec Trips → Quebec Futures Fund → Tennyson Quebec Exchange Trip Manual → Page 10
- This category represents the money raised through all activities carried out in Grade 6 (pizza lunch, Winterfest, Howl food etc.), and is held in each year's Quebec 20XX account. Monies in this account come from the school community at large and can only be used for the Quebec trip and the Quebec Futures Fund. These monies are not to be used for any other grade seven events such as grad or bike trips – those activities need to be funded separately.
- A goal of \$40,000 is the recommended target for each year. This target assures that there are enough funds to carry out the planned activities and keeps the Quebec Futures Fund topped up. Additionally it ensures that there is a healthy base in the account should a grant not be awarded.

Options

- **Option #1:** I/we will pay the standard financial contribution of \$450 and expect to volunteer at least 20 hours for Quebec 2020 fundraising and trip activities. Volunteer participation **also** includes the following contributions: being present to work a significant portion of Winterfest to be held on Dec. 7, 2018 (at least 3 hours) **and** contributing food or baked goods for events **and** contributing 3 items for the Winterfest Silent Auction **and** selling wine raffle tickets.
\$450 payable by Nov. 2, 2018 **or**
\$150 payable by Nov. 2, 2018, \$150 payable by Feb. 1, 2019, \$150 payable by May 1, 2019 – all post dated cheques due by Nov. 2, 2018. **Cheques should be written to Quebec 2020.**
- **Option #2:** I/we are not able to volunteer and will pay the full amount of \$2285.00 in lieu of volunteer hours and donations. \$2285 payable by Nov. 2, 2018 **or** \$760 payable by Nov. 2, 2018, \$760 payable by Feb. 1, 2019, \$765 payable by May 1, 2019 – all post dated cheques due by Nov. 2, 2018. **Cheques should be written to Quebec 2020.**
- **Option #3:** My/our child will NOT be going on the Quebec 2020 trip. If my/our child wants to participate in exchange events that happen in Vancouver, I/we will pay \$ 200 by January 15, 2020, towards my/our child's participation (this fee will cover events and bus transportation); and I/we will contribute at least 10 hours of volunteer time to support the Quebec fundraising events throughout the year.
- **Option #4:** My/our child will NOT be going on the Quebec 2020 trip and NOT participating in the Vancouver activities.
- **Note:** Those families requiring bursaries or alternate payment plans please speak with the principal, M. Roch. All requests will be kept confidential.

Question & Answer

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Questions about anything?

Email LordTennysonQuebec2020@gmail.com

Winterfest (Lead Positions)*

- Champion: Tai Scott
- Leads:
 - Wine Raffle: Michelle Porter & Nancy Small
 - Silent Auction: Gloria Mason & Jackie Corlett
 - Food: Shawn Aslani
 - Bake Sale: Angie Mercier
 - Talent Show:
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 - Decoration:
 - ...

*the full list of shifts will come out closer to the event