

How to Follow Local Educational Issues

Note: All meetings listed are open to the public.

Foundation for Pleasant Hill Education (FPHE)

Volunteer-led non-profit education foundation. Conducts fundraisers in order to award yearly grants to the 11 public schools (K-12) in Pleasant Hill. Volunteers and visitors always welcome.

Board Meetings: Every 1st Tuesday of the month, 7:30 PM
Location: Community Room, Pleasant Hill City Hall
Website: www.fphe.org

Parent Teacher Associations (PTAs) and Parent Teacher Student Associations (PTSAs)

Every school has a PTA or a PTSA. Most parent groups are very active coordinating educational and fundraising activities for the school. Joining a school's parent group is an excellent way to make a difference and become involved with the school.

Board Meetings: Varies by school
Location: School multi-use room

Pleasant Hill Education/Schools Advisory Commission

Comprised of 11 Commissioners, each of whom follows and reports on a Pleasant Hill school. The Commission advocates for Pleasant Hill students and schools to the City Council, runs educational forums, and holds student events. The Commission is instrumental in addressing Pleasant Hill's educational concerns with the City of Pleasant Hill and Mt. Diablo Unified School District.

Commission Meetings: Every 4th Wednesday of the month, 7:00 PM
Location: Community Room, Pleasant Hill City Hall
Website: www.ci.pleasant-hill.ca.us

Mt. Diablo Unified School District (MDUSD) Board of Education

Comprised of five, elected school board members. Board meetings cover all areas of MDUSD business. Agendas and minutes available online. Board members include: Dick Allen (term expires 2010), Gary Eberhart (term expires 2012), Linda Mayo (term expires 2010), Paul Strange (term expires 2010), and Sherry Whitmarsh (term expires 2012). To receive MDUSD e-news from the Superintendent register under 'Parent Info' at www.mdusd.k12.ca.us.

Board Meetings: Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, 7:30 PM
Location: District Office: 1936 Carlotta Drive, Concord
Website: www.mdusd.k12.ca.us

MDUSD Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

Comprised of parents from all district schools, district administrators, and often, school board members. Parents are always welcome to this open and low-key meeting. Format of meeting is open forum. Parents select the meeting topics each month and administrators ensure that appropriate district personnel attend the meetings to discuss the topic. Attending PAC meetings is an excellent way to learn about district issues and hear, first hand, what administrators have to say. PAC meetings are invaluable.

PAC Meetings: Every first Monday of the month, 7:00-9:00 PM
Location: District Office: 1936 Carlotta Drive, Concord
Contact Person: Lorean Jacobs, 682-8000