

# The Grove Community School - Parent/Guardian Contract

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Family involvement is part of what makes The Grove a vibrant learning environment, and is crucial to the sustainability and success of our small alternative school. With your help, we can make a difference!

By signing this contract, prospective parents acknowledge the Grove's philosophy, mission, mandate, and unique pedagogy; and commit to supporting the Grove's philosophy and values of (i) Equity, diversity, and Social Justice, (ii) Ecological Sustainability and Environmental Justice, and (iii) Community Engagement and Activism as outlined in The Grove Community School Handbook (download from the "about us" section of our website, [thegrovecommunityschool.ca](http://thegrovecommunityschool.ca)).

This includes a commitment to contributing volunteer time each month.  
*[Please note: there are many different ways to volunteer and be engaged that can accommodate parents' varying circumstances and schedules.]*

This contract is intended to help prospective families clarify for themselves if the school will be a good fit for their family. This contract does not determine who is entered into the lottery, and there are no wrong answers.

After you have accepted a spot at The Grove for your child, the information that you provide in this contract will be shared with our Parent Council so they can help identify ways that your family may wish to contribute to the Grove community.

Sincerely,  
The Grove Community School Parent Council

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1. What is your child's/children's full name(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Please tell us why you feel that The Grove is a good fit for your child(ren):

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3. Please share how you might volunteer your time as a community member:

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4. How did you hear about The Grove? \_\_\_\_\_

*Please check:*

I/we have read, understood and support the philosophies outlined in **The Grove Community School Handbook** (available here: [thegrovecommunityschool.ca](http://thegrovecommunityschool.ca)).

I/we support and agree to help uphold The Grove Community School's core values of: (i) Equity, Diversity, and Social Justice, (ii) Ecological Sustainability and Environmental Justice, and (iii) Community Engagement and Activism.

I/we commit to volunteering time each month to support the school

Parent/Guardian 1: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name (please print)                      Signature                      Date

Parent/Guardian 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)                      Name (please print)                      Signature                      Date

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**Please note, this section is entirely optional:**

*As part of The Grove's ongoing efforts to honour our commitment to diversity, we are tracking applications from families of different backgrounds as part of a larger goal to increase representation of marginalized communities at the school; please let us know if your child identifies as:*

- A racialized child / child of colour
- First Nations, Métis or Inuit
- Gender independent

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*Thank you for your time!*