October 16, 2024

## From One Proud JO Parent/Caregiver to Another.....

Please help support clubs, teams, events, and all extracurricular activities and infrastructure at JO! Our students and community appreciate it. It takes a village, as they say! ♥

## Please donate directly to the John Oliver Secondary School PAC

**STEP 1** - Click here: <u>SchoolCashOnline</u>.

STEP 2 - Choose "John Oliver Secondary PAC"

for fund destination

**STEP 3** - Choose \$20, \$50, \$100 or ANY

**AMOUNT** 

**OUR GOA**L = \$25,000.00



Every little bit helps to provide our JO Students with an amazing highschool experience!

My name is Darnelle and I am a proud JO Parent! I have a student in grade 11 and have had two students graduating recently in 2022, and 2023. The thing I have appreciated most as my kids went through high school here is the variety and abundance of extracurricular opportunities that have been available. This is thanks, in large part, to the respectful relationships in our community, between students, JO staff, support workers, our business community, and our parent community. Extracurricular clubs and activities provide amazing experiences for students. These are the things that make highschool memories, create leadership opportunities, and provide valuable life learning experiences!

Each year, your John Oliver Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) provides extra funding to top up what is provided to all schools through BC Gaming Grants. A few of the wonderful and notable events and achievements that PAC was able to support in 2023-24, included:

- **Team BUS** for Senior boys volleyball team after qualifying for provincial championships
- New **UNIFORMS** for the Drumline who qualified for provincial championships
- Two SCHOOL Dances we are one of the few VSB schools who put on school dances

- Supported the Grad committee **Year end Activities**
- New **robotics** KITS for our Robotics club
- JO JOKETS SPITIT WEAT free for all incoming grade 8 students
- PAC SCHOLARSHIPS 3x scholarships, recipients chosen by teachers and JO staff
- **STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON** for 80+ staff and support workers

Examples of other requests for funds each year come from:

- Tech Club (audio visual equipment)
- Mural Club (supplies)
- Block Club (student athletic council pep rallies and awards)
- Athletics (all the many sports teams at JO)
- Photography Club (equipment)
- Theatre Company (Studio 53 school play)

- Band (events, uniforms, equipment)
- Cultural/Social based clubs (events, meetups, support)
- Library (new books, equipment, furniture)
- Auditorium lighting and sound system
- Fitness Club (equipment)
- And many, many more!

This year, PAC would also like to be able to support larger projects such as:

- Updating the outdoor classroom and the school grounds
- Painting murals in the hallways of the school

THANK YOU SO MUCH in advance for your generous support. I look forward to seeing you at the next PAC meeting, at the school, at a game, concert or event, and around in our wonderful neighbourhood!

Sincerely,
Darnelle Moore

JO PAC Member since 2017

On behalf of the 2024/2025 JO PAC Executive