



PLEASANT HILL EDUCATION COMMISSION

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The Pleasant Hill Education Commission serves as an advisory body to the City Council and acts as a conduit between the City and the Mount Diablo Unified School District. The Commission is currently comprised of nine members each tasked with liaising with one school in Pleasant Hill (and Hidden Valley Elementary). The commissioners and current school assignments are:

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| • Linda Waters | Gregory Gardens Elementary |
| • Jennifer Andersen | Hidden Valley Elementary |
| • Mary Gray | Pleasant Hill Elementary |
| • Chris Winder | Sequoia Elementary |
| • Leanne Hamaji | Strandwood Elementary, Fair Oaks Elementary |
| • Matthew Rinn | Valhalla Elementary |
| • Kelly St. Germain (<i>Chair</i>) | Pleasant Hill Middle School |
| • Tracy Ervin-Lowery | Sequoia Middle School |
| • Jennifer Ortega | Valley View Middle School |
| • Joann Jacobs (<i>Vice-Chair</i>) | College Park High School |
| • Emily Richards | Prospect & Horizon Schools |

Over the past several years, the Commission has organized events such as the Student Musical Showcase in Downtown Pleasant Hill, Forums for School Parents, MDUSD Candidates Forums, Career Day events at College Park, and co-sponsors the Annual Spelling Bee by the Foundation for Pleasant Hill Education.

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Education/Schools Advisory Commission is to improve the quality of K-12 education in the city of Pleasant Hill by:

- A. Acting as an advocate for issues and concerns of Pleasant Hill public schools with regard to the Mt. Diablo Unified School District.
- B. Facilitating communication, cooperation, and partnership among Pleasant Hill schools, including providing a forum for discussing common issues, concerns, and activities.
- C. Involving and informing the general Pleasant Hill community & the City Council about the activities and needs of Pleasant Hill's schools, including acting as a clearinghouse for information and when appropriate, acting as a liaison with businesses, groups, and youth activities.

The Education Commission website page is www.pleasant-hill.net/education and you can email the commission at mnelis@ci.pleasant-hill.ca.us.