

What does it mean to be on the School Council at Samford State School?

The current School Council Members encourage you to contact them to discuss what it means to be part of the Samford State School Council. We have included some thoughts and a way to contact each of us if you would like to ask any questions or have any further discussions.

Parent Representatives

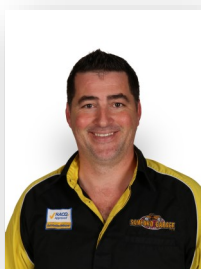


Nicole Herbertson (Parent/Council Chair) *"What a privilege it is to have the opportunity to work with school leaders, staff and parents on School Council. This collective of knowledge, experience and expertise not only represents our school community but shows genuine care for ALL students at Samford State and in giving them an education that they deserve. I have learnt more about myself personally and professionally through being a part of this wonderful team and I commend past, current and future members for their dedication to supporting our school which serves as a hub for our local community."*
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Amanda Holding (Parent) *"Being a parent representative on the School Council has been a rewarding experience and I have thoroughly enjoyed my time on the Council. It has been a wonderful way to remain involved in the school community and to get to know the teaching and support staff. It has also provided me with an in depth understanding of the school's strategic plan and policies and to be part of the team of councillors to ensure the continued development and achievement of the strategic plan. The Council has provided representatives with training which has greatly increased our understanding and ability to support the school leadership team to ensure the best learning outcomes for students at Samford. I wish to thank the School Council for the learning and development opportunities which they have provided to councillors and I would recommend becoming a representative to any parent thinking of becoming involved."*

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Steven Pickering (Parent) *"It has been an honour to be a member of the current school council which has provided me with the opportunity to appreciate what a great management team we have at our local school. Samford State School is at the forefront of delivering the current IPS policy framework which in turn is delivering better educational outcomes for our students, current and future. I look forward to watching the school prosper."*

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Claire (Parent/ P&C President) *"Being on School Council has given me a much more in depth understanding of the education system used in Queensland, and the ways we can improve our own school environment for our children. I enjoy working with a team of dedicated individuals who genuinely value the happiness, wellbeing and education of our children and strive to do their best for all students at the school."*

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Mark Gjerek (Parent) *I always knew that Samford was a great school, but joining the School Council has given me a better understanding of why and how it got there. Being an Independent School means we can influence its future and keep it great. Working with Council members from different parts of the school community is also interesting and fun. It doesn't take up a lot of your time.*

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Staff Representatives



Susan Kirkpatrick (Class Teacher) *"Being a member of the School Council allows me the opportunity to have professional and meaningful conversations with parents, staff and members of the community. We discuss the direction of **our school** with the common goal of delivering the best possible learning opportunities for **our students**."*

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Chrissy Molloy (Teacher Aide and Past Parent) *"Being apart of the School Council is an opportunity for me to give back to a school that provided so many wonderful experiences and friendships for my boys. It has allowed me to branch out in the school community and meet and collaborate with others that are passionate about the well-being of all our students."*

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Dani Axford (Class Teacher and Past Parent) *"I feel privileged to be on the School Council. I have the opportunity to not only see, but help shape the 'big picture' and future direction of our school for our students. It really is about putting our students and their learning and well-being in the centre of all of our discussions and decisions."*

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Adrian Ryan (Deputy Principal and Past Parent) *"Being a member of School Council has helped me to see our school through the eyes of the community, and to understand the aspects of school which are highly valued by families."*

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Brad Clark (Principal and Parent)

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