

September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Welcome to the 2025/26 school year! The Parent Guild is very excited to work with you on various community building events this school year. We are so thankful for the positive, engaged school and parent communities at SPHS. The Parent Guild has been working hard to rebuild volunteerism at SPHS. We appreciate how busy our lives are and hope that parents see and feel the value of all the events the school hosts. The Parent Guild's mission is to "Build Community Through Hospitality". Community is built through sharing values, story and of course, breaking bread together.

My name is Karen Andersen, and I am the new Volunteer Coordinator on the Parent Guild. My role is to find coordinators for various events and work with these coordinators to plan and execute fun and engaging events. I also communicate with the parent group about upcoming volunteer opportunities, and I organize the SignUp sheets online.

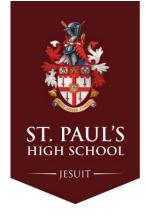
We are using the beginning of this school year as a "refresh" for SignUp. In past years, you would have created an account and 'signed up' for various roles. This year, SignUp will have a different look. Events will be posted under a month tab. You click on the month you are interested in volunteering in, and the volunteer opportunities and a description of your role is posted. Each month's events will be posted at least 6 weeks beforehand. You will have a chance to look at your own calendar and find a time that works best for you to come in and help out!

If you already have an account with SignUp, your credentials are still valid! You simply follow the link, and it will take you to this year's SPHS volunteer opportunities. If you haven't created an account, it is simple! Follow the link and fill in the pertinent information.

SPHS Parent Guild Volunteer Sign Up

Interested in volunteering in the CRU Shoppe? Erin Bodnarchuk is the new CRU Shoppe manager and is keen on meeting new volunteers and connecting with our seasoned CRU Shoppe volunteers. CRU Shoppe volunteers work in the CRU Shoppe over the lunch hour. Your job includes selling merchandise, candy and of course, (and the best part) interacting with the young men in the school! Please follow the link below to see and sign up for the CRU Shoppe schedule.

Crusader Shoppe Volunteer Sign Up



Fashion Show planning starts nice and early! The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, from 6:30-8:30 in the Aulneau Room. Michelle Deniset is the new Fashion Show chair. She is looking forward to working with the many volunteers it takes to run the Fashion Show. The Fashion Show is being held on March 23, 2026. This is such a FUN and unique event the school puts on. You may choose to have a more active, planning role or you might just be interested in volunteering on the day of the Show! Follow the link below to sign up to help with the Fashion Show.

St. Paul's High School Fashion Show

There will be reminders of events to sign up for and the same SignUp links will be resent each week in the Weekly News sent out by the school. Make sure you take a look at the Parent Guild News each week to see what's coming up or to see if we are still looking for volunteers for the events.

SPHS is such a unique school, always taking care to build a sturdy school community. I have loved watching our sons embrace the school's philosophy of being a "Man for Others". Let's model this credo as parents by volunteering at the various events this school year. Signing up ONCE this year makes a huge difference to running these events.

If you are interested in hearing more about the Parent Guild and to find out how to become involved, please join us **Wednesday, September 10, 2025,** for the AGM, it starts at 7:00pm and is being held in the Aulneau Room. If you have questions or are willing to coordinate an event, please email Karen Andersen, at <u>volunteercoordinator@stpauls.mb.ca</u> or the general email at, <u>parentguild@stpauls.mb.ca</u> for more information.

Thank you,

Karen Andersen

