



## 2026 Ivanhoe Primary School notification of School Council Election, Process and Timetable.

School council election process and timetable		
Name of School : Ivanhoe Primary School		
	EVENT	DATE
a)	Notice of election and call for nominations	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2026
b)	Closing date for nominations	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 (4pm)
c)	Date by which the list of candidates and nominators will be posted	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
d)	Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
e)	Close of ballot	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 (4pm)
f)	Vote count	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 (4:10pm)
g)	Declaration of poll	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026
h)	Special council meeting to co-opt community members (the principal will preside)	Not required at this time.
i)	First council meeting to elect office bearers (the principal will preside)	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2026

Dear IPS community,

The Ivanhoe Primary School Council consists of 15 members made up of parents / guardians of current students as well as Department of Education employees. Terms are generally two years so approximately half the School Council is renewed each year. Being a School Council member means taking part in shaping the future of the school. You will need to attend meetings and may need to develop new skills.

In most cases you need to be elected to become a council member. All parents and guardians from the school can vote. The timeline is in the table above.

Before or on Tuesday the 27<sup>th</sup> January - I will call for nominations for Ivanhoe Primary School Council and make the nomination forms available to you on COMPASS / Class dojo and in the first school newsletter of the year.

A parent may self-nominate or be nominated by another parent.

Just make sure you use the correct form when it's published and get it in before 4pm 6<sup>th</sup> February.

If you are after more information now go to <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/school-council-elections/policy> or please feel free to call me at school.

Thank you.

Mark Kent  
Principal

**\*PS – Save the date (IPS Welcome Picnic Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb on the oval from 5pm)**