



SGPS ELECTIONS AND REFERENDUM 2017-2018

Voting in the SGPS Elections starts at **12:01 AM on Thursday February 16th and ends Friday February 17th at 4:00 PM.**

If you are an SGPS member make sure you vote via OnQ:

<https://onq.queensu.ca/d21/home/109286>

If you have any issues voting contact elections@sgps.ca ASAP!



SGPS HEALTH & DENTAL SURVEY—HAVE YOUR SAY

The SGPS is surveying their membership about the effectiveness of our health and dental plan. This is a chance for you as a member to have your say. The survey will be available from February 16 to March 2, 2017. Click [here](#) to fill it out.



SGPS EVENTS CALENDAR

To stay up to date on current events, check out our [EVENTS CALENDAR](#).

WELCOME BACK BOARD GAME NIGHT



Date: Tuesday, February 28

Time: 8pm—10pm

Location: The Grad Club

The game is ON! Come out to the Grad Club for a super mega fun time of board games with other SGPS members!

Cost: Free!

This is a 19+ event.

****Registration is required to secure your spot. **** Click [here](#) to register.



WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL—SPORTS HOUR

Date: Saturday, March 11

Time: 5pm—6pm

Location: ARC, Upper East Gym

Join us for drop-in wheelchair basketball on March 11th from 5-6pm. ARC - Upper East Gym. This is a free event open to all experience and fitness levels. Come out to try a unique sport and have fun with other like minded students!

****In order to play, participants will need to sign the online waiver PRIOR to the event. Click here for the waiver - <https://www.smartwaiver.com/w/58865f76d1e68/web/>**

MEDITATION WORKSHOP

Date: Wednesday, March 15

Time: 5:30pm—6:30pm

Location: ARC, Studio 4

Learn about meditation and mindfulness, try a guided session, and get tips on how to add meditation into your daily routine. This is a free event, but space is limited! The workshop is on March 15th 5:30-6:30pm, ARC Studio 4. Open to all experience levels.

Email athletics@sgps.ca for more information.

In order to secure your place, register [here](#).

SGPS ORIENTATION ROUND TABLE COMMITTEE

The Orientation Round Table Committee is looking for members. If you have a few hours a month to spare and would like to participate in the planning of SGPS Orientation Week 2017, please contact vp.community@sgps.ca

JACK.ORG

The Jack.org/Queen's Student Initiative Fund adjudication committee will be accepting applications until March 1, 2017 at 11:59 p.m. These are funding opportunities for student organized special projects and initiatives that support student mental health and wellness. More information about the fund can be found on the Provost and Vice-Principal (Academic)'s [website](#).

SGPS COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!!

The SGPS is seeking candidates for the position of Deputy Speaker for SGPS Council.

The Deputy Speaker is supervised by the Speaker and is responsible for chairing Council and General Meetings in the absence of the Speaker; taking minutes at each Council meeting (typically one per month) and each General Meeting (typically 2 per year); maintaining an official list of current Council members; distributing and familiarizing them with Robert's Rules of Order and ensuring they attend meetings.

Interested candidates must contact speaker@sgps.ca. Please note that this is a paid position.



WORKSHOP SERIES

JOIN US!



SGPS Workshops are taking a break for Reading Week. For more information about upcoming sessions, click [here](#).

BYSTANDER INTERVENTION

Date: Wednesday, March 8
Time: 6 pm—8 pm
Location: Mackintosh-Corry Hall, Room D214
 Bystander Intervention Training Sessions give students, faculty, and staff the tools needed to recognize and respond to sexual violence. Refreshments will be provided.

MOVIE SCREENING

Date: Wednesday, March 15
Time: 6 pm—8 pm
Location: Wallace Hall, JDUC
 SGPS Spring Screening- Come join the SGPS for a movie night with some free pizza and popcorn! The movie will be chosen by you, SGPS members, based on a Facebook poll on the SGPS Facebook Group. Poll will open 2 weeks before screening and close 1 week before the screening! Get to pick the movie you want to watch!

SGPS ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Like and follow us on these social media platforms:

- <http://www.sgps.ca>
- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2310661892/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/asgps/>
- <http://twitter.com/QueensSGPS>
- <https://www.instagram.com/queenssgps/?hl=en>





NEED TO CHAT OR RANT OR JUST HANG OUT?

Office hours

If you need to ask about or complain about any aspects of grad life and you are an international student, feel free to come by for a chat or just hang out with the SGPS

International Student Affairs Commissioner. Office hours are **1-3pm on Wednesdays** in JDUC 205 or email international@sgps.ca to arrange a time to hang out! Join the International Students Facebook Page-

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/390882624304305/>

ENGINEERING SOCIETY CODING COMPETITION

The Engineering Society is challenging everyone to showcase their coding skills. Join this challenge and compete against anyone at Queen's for your chance to win some cool prizes and of course get bragging rights. If you have no experience that's ok, just give it a try. The future is tech, start now. Sign up:

<https://www.hackerrank.com/engsoc>

Open from February 13—26

ACCESSIBILITY OF THE LIBRARY WEBSITE

Queen's Library is looking for help from SGPS members regarding the accessibility measures that they have in place on their website.

Please help them test the accessibility of their website by filling out this [form](#).

A message from Queen's Chapter of Leave the Pack Behind

WOULD RATHER CONTEST

Hey everyone,

Have you entered for a chance to win up to \$5,000 cash yet? Everyone can sign up for Leave The Pack Behind's wouldrather...contest. Just choose what you want to do – quit smoking, cut back on how much you smoke, stop smoking when you drink, or just pledge to stay smoke-free if you're a non-smoker. Perfect timing for a post-exam or New Year resolution goal! The contest starts **Monday, January 23rd**.

Registration for the contest is open now! It's easy, just follow the link: <https://wouldrather.ca/en/register.php>

Queen's Chapter of Leave the Pack Behind

ARTS DEPARTMENT REPS: GRADUATE ARTS COUNCIL OPPORTUNITY

Graduate Arts Council is looking for two SGPS representatives (one MA and one PhD student) for the rest of this academic year.

For more information or to put your name forward, contact Diane Reid at reiddm@queensu.ca.

