

## **What is the Parent Advisory Council?**

The PAC is an open forum meeting for Lighthouse parents to participate in our vision to be a premier preschool in Raleigh.

### **Parent Advisory Council Vision:**

The Childrens Lighthouse Learning Center of Raleigh Parent Advisory Council is a group committed to fostering a partnership between fellow parents, teachers, administration and the community. The PAC will strive to encourage communication and parent involvement in the activities of the Center to strengthen and support the well-being of our children and families while helping them reach their full potential.

### **What is the Purpose of PAC?**

The purpose of the Parent Advisory Council is to provide additional opportunities for communication between staff and parents, to give a voice to parental ideas and opinions, to encourage parent education events, and to allow parents as much involvement in the life of the school as their time and schedules permit.

The PAC serves in an advisory capacity only. The Council has no formal authority or decision-making responsibility on Center issues (e.g., staffing decisions, budget or policy). The PAC can also make suggestions or recommendations regarding aspects of the Center operations that could potentially enhance the learning experience of the children or promote the well-being of the children and staff.

In addition, the PAC serves as one of the many communication channels between parents and Administration. The PAC does not function as an individual parent's advocate regarding specific problems or concerns with the Center operation or the Center's staff. Each parent is encouraged to address such issues on an individual basis with either their child's teacher or the Center's Directors.