

Regular Board Meeting Highlights

November 27, 2018

Trustees: Anne Marie Watson (Chairperson), Murray Hollman (Vice-Chairperson), Adriana LaGrange, Dorraine Lonsdale, Cynthia Leyson, Sharla Heistad and Kim Pasula.

Division Three Year Education Plan

The Board of Trustees approved the Three Year Education Plan (2018/2019 – 2020/2021), after being presented with the Annual Education Results Report from 2017-2018 school year. Attached is our Annual Education Results Report summary.

Trustee Adriana LaGrange Resignation

We said goodbye to Trustee, Adriana LaGrange, as her resignation is effective immediately from Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools. The Board of Trustees, along with Senior Administration thanked Adriana LaGrange for her years of service to Catholic education.

Capital Projects

St. Patrick's Community School, Red Deer - Modernization

Work is progressing on the new addition with all structural steel and concrete floor in place. Roofing started and exterior walls are constructed. Work will continue with the interior walls, mechanical and electrical work. We remain on schedule and are under budget, which will allow us to add the administration suite revitalization into the scope of work.

St. Matthew Catholic School, Rocky Mountain House - Modular Addition

The modulars are expected to be ready for occupancy by the end of November.

Playground Pilot Program

The City of Red Deer maintains and inspects our playgrounds within city boundaries and no playgrounds are due for replacement prior to 2023. Our maintenance team, who maintains and inspects our rural playgrounds has indicated that the playground located at St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Catholic School in Innisfail is in need of replacement. A submission will be made to the pilot program for the replacement of the St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Catholic School playground.

The next board meeting is January 29, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.



Anne Marie Watson, Board Chair

Summary of our 2017-2018 Annual Education Results Report

About Us



- † We continually welcomed students of all faiths who desired a Catholic education and served 10,085 students in 21 schools in Central Alberta, including an online and outreach school. We focused on the education of the whole child fostering their spiritual, academic, cultural, physical, and social development.
- † Our Division employed over 507 educators, 446 support staff and 160 substitute teachers.
- † 92% of our parents and students reported our schools to be safe and caring. (Alberta average, 89%).
- † Our student population grew by 5.71%.

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Student Success



- † 92% of parents and students reported the quality of education in our schools as excellent. (Alberta average, 90%)
- † 86% of our parents and students reported our program of studies as excellent. (Alberta average, 82%)
- † 85% of our students graduated in three years. (Alberta average, 78%)
- † 87% of our students model characteristics of active citizenship. (Alberta average, 83%)
- † 86% of our teachers and parents agree that students are taught attitudes and behaviours that will make them successful at work. (Alberta average, 83%)

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[Accountability Pillar Results](#)

Priorities



- † We focused on four major areas in schools, which is known as LIFT:
- † **Literacy:** the key to students' success.
- † **Inclusion:** all students are valued and differences are made ordinary.
- † **Faith:** schools are faith-filled gospel-centred communities of hope, fostering Catholic values.
- † **Technology:** infused into everyday practices to enhance learning for all students.

Learn more about our:

[Division Priorities 2015-2018](#)

We are Listening



- † Parents, students, and staff told us they were satisfied with engagement in our schools.
- † We continued to offer English as a Second Language (ESL) support in all our schools, with ESL students being our fastest growing population.
- † Enrolment in our Pre-Kindergarten program continued to grow.
- † Our Model of Student Support helped in the creation of a comprehensive mental health support for staff and students.
- † Health champions in schools helped promote well-being, healthy eating, and being active.

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The Bottom Line



- † Our operating costs were \$113 million or \$12,030 per student.
- † St. Gregory the Great Catholic School (Pre-Kindergarten - Grade 9) in Blackfalds and St. Joseph High School (Grade 10-12) in Red Deer opened their doors.
- † Our priorities included the modernization of St. Patrick's Community School.
- † The Board's guiding principle when addressing budget decisions is to allocate funds to students, teaching, and support staff.