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RDCRS Edwin Parr Award and RDCRS Excellence in Catholic Education Award:

To honour excellence in first-year teachers, the Board of Trustees has selected Mitchell Gaumont from St. Gregory the Great Catholic School in Blackfalds, as a Division finalist for the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) 2023 Edwin Parr Award. Mitchell was one of two teachers nominated for this award from across the Division. Grade 9 teacher, Macailee Finnigan from St. Francis of Assisi Middle School, was also nominated for this award. In total, six Edwin Parr Teacher Award winners will be recognized at a provincial level by ASBA at its Fall General Meeting.

Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools (RDCRS) is also pleased to recognize Adam Locke, Grade 6 teacher and Faith Coach at École Mother Teresa Catholic School in Sylvan Lake, who received the 2023 Excellence in Catholic Education Award. Presented annually by the Council of Catholic School Superintendents of Alberta (CCSSA), the Excellence in Catholic Education Award recognizes Catholic 'teachers' in Alberta who have done an exemplary job in preparing youth to grow into outstanding Catholic citizens.

Budget Assumptions Report:

The Board of Trustees approved the Budget Assumptions Report presented by the Secretary Treasurer that included budget assumptions to formulate the 2023-2024 budget. To view the Budget Assumptions Report, please click [here](#).

Quarterly Report:

The Associate Superintendent of Curriculum presented the Quarterly Report to the Board of Trustees. Highlights of the report include this year's Faith Day, Middle School Faith Week, the Division Education Plan, the introduction of an Integrated Disability Management Program, RDCRS' initial work with our Mental Health Transition Consultants, staff working collectively and collaboratively to improve students' reading proficiency and parents joining us for our Spring Parent-Teacher Interviews. To view the Quarterly Report, please click [here](#).

Advocacy Priorities and Key Messaging:

The RDCRS Board of Trustees approved a postcard outlining their key advocacy priorities and key messaging to use when engaging in public and to help leverage their advocacy efforts throughout the community. To view their advocacy priorities and key messaging postcard, please click [here](#).

Division Fiscal Profile:

The Secretary Treasurer presented the Division Fiscal Profile for the 2023-2024 school year to the Board of Trustees. The projected operational funding is \$97.16 M plus a funding adjustment for 2022-23 of \$555,000 for a total increase in operating funding for 2023-2024 of \$2.8 M. The reserves of \$4.35 M operating and \$6.4 M capital are presented as of August 31, 2022, and are expected to decrease in the current year due to an overall budget deficit and planned capital expenditures. For more information about the Division Fiscal Profile report, please click [here](#).

The next Board Meeting will take place on Friday, May 26, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.



Anne Marie Watson, Board Chair

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