

# **BOARD HIGHLIGHTS**

Monday October 21st, 2024

## **Board Celebrates a Term Filled with Many Accomplishments**

The Director and Senior Administration would like to express their gratitude to the 10 trustees of the SRPSD School Board for their dedication to making the division a top choice for families and the community. Over the past four years, significant achievements include upgrading the Harry Jerome Track and Max Clunie Football field, supporting literacy by increasing staffing and resources, and implementing a strategic plan focused on reconciliation, mental health, and transparent governance. The Board also formalized an Elders Council and hosted seasonal pipe ceremonies. Key initiatives include the renaming of Won Ska School to Victor Thunderchild Public High School, renewal of the SRPSD Education Centre's flags to reflect inclusivity, and fostering relationships with School Community Councils. Additional accomplishments include approving Cree and Michif language programs, supporting Global Sports Academy, approving new pride logos, and finalizing an agreement with East Central First Nations Education Authority. Best wishes are extended to trustees running in the upcoming election for their continued commitment to students and the community. School Board Elections are being held on November 13. The Board encourages everyone to get out and vote!

### Vincent Massey Public School Leadership Team Showcases Learning Improvement

The Leadership Plan Team from Vincent Massey Public School shared their story of their school improvement and increasing student achievement to life. Principal Harriet Tomporowski and team talked about the journey their school has been on over the past 4 year to develop effective practice in literacy and experiential play-based learning and how this work has increased student achievement in the subject area. Using research-based best practices and resources to support them, their classrooms have transformed. Teachers have taken on the resource UFLI and the pedagogies around structured literacy to elevate their work and share multiple success stories of the achievements of their students. Superintendent Jennifer Hingley thanked the team for bringing to life the work described in her Accountability report.

## Increased Enrollment for 24/25 in SRPSD

As the enrollment data for the division is finalized, Director Neil Finch was pleased to report to the Board that the division has seen a 1.6% increase in enrollment from the projected enrollment of 8700 students. This increase brings the number of students attending SRPSD schools up to 8844 including Prekindergarten students, home-based education students, and students who reside in our school division attending the SaskDLC full-time. Administration has developed a staffing response plan to accommodate over-enrolled schools through both teacher transfers and the hiring of new staff in order to support students in all SRPSD schools.

### **Board Welcomes the 2024/25 SRSC Student Board Representatives**

The Board welcomed Student Board representatives, Coral Frenette and Taylor Henderson, from the Saskatchewan Rivers Students for Change group. Coral Frenette represents urban students and attends Carlton Comprehensive Public High School and Taylor Henderson represents rural students and attends WP Sandin Public High School. The student representatives gave a report outlining the SRSC's work so far this year developing relationships among schools, and learning their roles as executive members of the organization.

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