

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

January 25, 2024

Towards the Board's focus on moving forward in a positive way, please see the <u>Clearview Spotlights</u> section on the Clearview web page at <u>www.clearview.ab.ca</u>. We continue to highlight exciting stories about students and staff throughout Clearview on an ongoing basis.

<u>Dates to</u> Remember

January 31, 2024 PD Day (No School)

February 2, 2024 First Day of Semester 2

February 12-16, 2024 Teacher Appreciation Week

February 15 & 16 Teacher Convention (No School)

February 19, 2024 Family Day

Highlights are provided as general information.

For the Board's official meeting minutes, please click <u>HERE</u>.

For the full Board agenda and reports, click <u>HERE.</u>

For further information, please call Board Chair Guy Neitz at 403-741-4367 or Superintendent Scot Leys at 403-742-3331.

Leadership Highlights

- Board and Committee Activities: Trustee school visits and community events are prioritized; Superintendent Scot Leys visited Suncrest this month. The Board of Trustees will be attending schools for Teacher Appreciation Week.
- Staff Leadership Focus: LLT for this month discussed the hiring of a Behaviour Consultant to collaborate with staff to address student's diverse needs. This individual will focus on working with staff to plan strategies to accommodate various needs, providing valuable insights on effective teaching strategies. The effort aims to enhance our approach in fostering a positive and inclusive learning environment for all students. Other things discussed were volunteer drivers and new substitute teacher booking that has been implemented.
- Key Events: LLT, ELA Curriculum Workshops, Colony Visit Suncrest, and Literacy Planning.
- **Strategic Discussions:** Engagements involve discussions on literacy planning, curriculum development, student engagement and strategic budget planning.
- Operational Meetings: Routine meetings cover technology, transportation, and school council
 presentations, emphasizing cost analysis.

Committee Meetings - The Communication Committee met on January 18, 2024. There will be changes to the Clearview Awards for 2024-25 school year. Planning for the Local Government Education Meeting includes a Career Pathway Models that will provide career planning information and resources to students, parents, and staff. Capital Update on community projects were also discussed with the new school build pending the budget release. The Policy Committee proposed revised awards, emphasizing student, staff, and community recognition aligning with Education Goals. Suggestions include Friends of Education, Community Engagement, School Board Innovation, Alumni, and Outstanding Student Leader Awards. Changes, effective 2024-25, aim to celebrate impactful contributions and achievements within the Clearview community.

Budget Development Plan Draft - The Board approved the 2024-25 budget development plan, aiming for transparency and stakeholder input. Clearview considerations include enrollment projections, public engagement, and significant budget decisions from the prior year. The provincial budget's release in February 2024 and a March 14 Strategy and Budget Engagement meeting are key milestones. Alberta school jurisdictions manage maintenance and renewal funds to ensure safe and efficient facilities. Priorities include addressing health and safety needs, system failures, and proactive upgrades. A rating system categorizes projects by urgency. Two funding streams, Infrastructure Maintenance and Renewal (IMR) and Capital Maintenance and Renewal (CMR), support planned projects for school facilities.

ELA Curriculum Workshop - ELA curriculum workshops equip teachers with essential tools to enhance classroom instruction. Focused on empowering educators, the workshop aims to improve language arts teaching methods, fostering student engagement and literacy skills development. This professional development opportunity supports teachers in delivering effective and enriching English language arts education. It also allows teachers to collaborate with one another on best practices and successes.

Staff Appreciation Week Planning - The Board of Trustees have begun to make arrangements for Staff Appreciation Week that honors staff dedication, hard work, and contributions, fostering a positive school culture and acknowledging their vital role.