

STURGEON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

TRUSTEE TALK

Updates from the Board of Trustees for our Sturgeon Public school community
March 2023



2024-2025 School Year Calendar

After gathering feedback from School Councils, the Teacher Board Advisory Committee and Principals, the 2024-2025 School Year Calendar was approved by the Board of Trustees at the March 22, 2023, Public Board meeting.

To view the calendar, click [here](#).



Parent Engagement Survey

The Division recently completed its annual Parent Feedback Survey over the past few weeks. Thank you to all parents and guardians who took the time to submit feedback regarding the effectiveness of the programs and services provided by Sturgeon Public Schools, as well as areas where improvements can be made. Your feedback is important and valued, and will assist the Division in enhancing the quality of education offered, thereby making Sturgeon Public Schools a premier institution for learning.

3 Year Capital Plan

As per the requirements set by Alberta Education, the Division must prepare and update its Three Year Capital Plan and submit it before April 1 of each year.

The purpose of the plan is to seek Government review and approval, and subsequently, funding for approved projects.

The Board of Trustees approved the Division's Three Year Capital Plan at the March 22, 2023, Public Board meeting and the plan has been submitted to Alberta Education for review. The Government announces its approvals on an annual basis, and an anticipated response is expected around March 2024.

Three Year Capital Plan Priorities:

1. Gibbons School Solution
2. École Morinville Public School Solution
3. Sturgeon Heights School Modernization

Part of the Three Year Capital Plan includes the allocation of Capital Funding for new construction, modernization, preservation, and studies. Based on the feedback received during the Value Scoping exercise completed in fall 2022, which was facilitated by START Architecture and included trustees, councillors, mayors, town administrators, school council chairs/vice chairs, school principals, the Division's senior leadership, and representatives from Alberta Education, Gibbons School was identified as the Division's top priority.



SPS Edwin Parr Nominee

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Chelsea Critchley—Grade 6 Science and Junior High Strategies teacher at Four Winds Public School—for being nominated for the Alberta School Boards Association's Edwin Parr Teacher Award. The Edwin Parr Teacher Award honours exceptional first-year teachers across the province. Chelsea's nomination will now go to Zone 2/3. The Zone 2/3 Selection Committee will nominate two candidates to move on to the final provincial selection committee. There are six provincial Edwin Parr Awards awarded each year.