

# TRUSTEE TALK

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



## 2023 - 2024 Budget

The 2023-2024 Budget was approved by the Board of Trustees at the May 24, 2023, Public Board meeting and will be submitted to Alberta Education before the deadline.

To read more about the budget, information is available [here](#).



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## ASBA Honouring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards

The Alberta School Boards' Association (ASBA) *Honouring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards* recognize First Nations, Métis, and Inuit students who demonstrate strength, commitment and embrace their culture. SPVA math and science teacher, Catherine Savin, nominated Grade 8 student Sierra Balkwill for the 2022-2023 awards, highlighting her leadership qualities and ability to empower others. While she did not receive the award, Sierra was recognized as an Honourable Mention and will be acknowledged at the SPVA Awards Ceremony in June.

Similar recognition was given to Grade 12 student Tristan Poitras from SCHS, nominated by John Valliere, First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Student Success Coach. Despite not winning the award, Tristan's talent, character and potential were acknowledged. He will be honoured at the SCHS Fall Awards.

## Education Plan 2023 - 2026

The Education Plan must be approved by the Board of Trustees and posted on the Division website by May 31st of each year.

The Division's plan articulates the Board's approved outcomes, measures and strategies to meet our priority of student achievement. The Education Plan uses key insights from the Annual Education Results Report, along with consideration of contextual information and input from stakeholder engagement processes to inform key priorities, outcomes and strategies that direct the work in schools and at a system level.

The Education Plan outlines key priorities, outcomes and strategies in the following Assurance Domains:

- Student Growth and Achievement
- Teaching and Leading
- Learning Supports
- Governance; and
- Local and Societal Context

Read the Education Plan [here](#).

### 2022-2023 Stakeholder Feedback

Sturgeon Public Schools has engaged parents and community members to gather thoughts and ideas to guide the division moving forward.

Thank you to all parents and community members; your insights are highly valued.

Read the 2023 Parent Engagement Summary Report [here](#).

Read the 2023 Parent Engagement Report on Responses [here](#).

## Award Recipient - Building Blocks of the Community

We are pleased to announce that Constable Simon Lajoie, the School Resource Officer at Sturgeon Composite High School, has been awarded the prestigious 2023 Building Blocks of the Community Award.

This award recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to the growth of youth in Sturgeon County.

Click [here](#) to learn more.



## 2023-2024 Council of School Councils' Meetings

The Council of School Councils' (COSC) is an informal gathering of the chair and/or vice chair of each school council for the purpose of sharing information, building connections between the school councils and facilitating communication between the Board of Trustees, school councils and the Division's administrative team.

At the May 24th Public Board Meeting, the Board of Trustees approved that the 2023-2024 Council of School Councils' meetings will take place on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 and Thursday, March 7, 2024.