

TRUSTEE TALK

Updates from the Board of Trustees for our Sturgeon Public School Community
August 2024



Updated Administrative Procedures: AP901 & AP870

In response to Ministerial Order #014/2024, which establishes new standards for personal mobile devices and social media use in schools, we have made key updates to two of Administrative Procedures: *AP901: Student Conduct* and *AP870: Responsible Use of Technology Resources*. These revisions were made over the summer to ensure our schools were well-prepared and compliant for the start of the school year.

Implementing these updates now, rather than waiting for the mandated January 1, 2025 deadline, is in the best interest of our students, staff and the broader school community. Earlier this month, we shared the revised procedures with school leaders to help them update Student Codes of Conduct and Handbooks, ensuring smooth implementation of the new requirements.

You can review the updated policies by following these links: [AP901: Student Conduct](#) and [AP870: Responsible Use of Technology Resources](#).

Congratulations to Kylie McGuire!

We are thrilled to announce that Kylie McGuire, a student at Sturgeon Composite High School, has been selected to join the Minister's Youth Council for the 2024/2025 school year. This prestigious council is made up of around 40 junior and senior high students from across Alberta, who bring diverse perspectives to important discussions regarding education.

As a member of the Minister's Youth Council, Kylie will have the opportunity to share her insights on provincial programs and initiatives, engage as a leader in her community, and help shape the future of education in Alberta. We are incredibly proud of Kylie and look forward to seeing the positive impact she will make!

[Article in the August 29, 2024 St. Albert Gazette - page 19](#)

Introducing the 2024/2025 Chair & Vice Chair

Tasha Oatway-McLay - Chair
Stacey Buga - Vice Chair

The Role of the Board of Trustees

The governance of Sturgeon Public Schools is entrusted to seven elected trustees, who are committed to setting strategic policy directions for the Division.

The Board of Trustees is held accountable through the Education Act. The Board provides overall direction and leadership to the Division. The Board is a corporate entity and exercises its authority through a democratic process and always models a culture of respect and integrity.

A Message from the Board of Trustees

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! To all students, parents/guardians, and staff, we extend our warmest wishes. We hope you had a wonderful summer break and enjoyed time with your loved ones.

This year brings new opportunities for growth and learning. We are committed to working together with parents/guardians, teachers, and students to foster a supportive and enriching educational environment. Whether you're returning or joining us for the first time, we look forward to a successful year ahead.

