



## Presentations

### ÉCOLE DE QUATRE-VENTS SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Board welcomed the President of École des Quatre-Vents School Council, Julia Martin, and the Principal, Mr. Dominique Jean. Mrs. Martin presented a report of the activities of the school council, stating that although this year is unusual because of the pandemic, things are going very well thanks to the organization and collaboration of the school team. The school continues to prioritize the well-being and education of students. In addition, the new school construction project is occupying the team regarding planning of spaces and equipment.

The School Board communicated that it continues to be committed to ensuring the best possible quality in all areas. The School Board concluded the meeting by thanking École des Quatre-Vents School Council for their enthusiasm and their commitment to the school community.

### FPFA

The School Board welcomed a delegation from the Federation of Francophone Parents of Alberta (FPFA). Their presentation was regarding the importance of the FPFA working with the School Board to ensure the provision of early childhood services in our francophone communities.

The issue of early childhood services is a priority for the CSNO. The School Board will continue its conversation with the FPFA to establish a reciprocal relationship in regard to the development of early childhood services.

### EQV School Construction Project - New grant

The School Board has received confirmation from the Ministry of Education that the Canadian Heritage funding request for the ÉQV construction project has been approved. A \$1.5 million grant will fund the addition of a preschool space and a multi-purpose community space. This is great news for the CSNO and the EQV school community. However, this announcement will mean a delay in the planning and construction process.

## 2022-2025 Capital Plan

The School Board adopted its 2022-2025 Capital Plan. The CSNO's priorities are:

1. **Modernization/Renovation - École Heritage**
2. **New (second) elementary school - Grande Prairie**

The capital plan will be posted on the [CSNO website](#) in early April.

## Appointment of a new auditor

Following the recommendation of the CSNO Audit Committee, the School Board approved the appointment of a new firm, Bergeron and Company CPA, for the annual audit of its financial statements for 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

## 2021-2022 School Calendars

The 2021-2022 school calendars were approved. Key dates include:

- ♦ Staff's 1<sup>st</sup> day: August 25
- ♦ Students' 1<sup>st</sup> day: Aug. 30 (EQV), Aug. 31 (ÉNF and ÉH)
- ♦ Christmas Break: December 20-31, 2021
- ♦ Spring Break: March 21-25 (ÉH and EQV), March 28-April 1<sup>st</sup> (ÉNF)
- ♦ Last day of school: June 24, 2022
- ♦ Last day for staff: June 28, 2022

School calendars are available [HERE](#).

## School Council Day of collaboration - Cancelled

Since the purpose of this day of collaboration with the three school councils was to conduct a dynamic exchange and discussion, the Board considers it preferable to hold it in person, rather than in a virtual format. Therefore, as public health restrictions continue to prevent a face-to-face gathering and the school year progresses, the Trustees decided to cancel the day of collaboration with the three school boards for the 2020-2021 school year.

## Recognition Day

In recognition of the additional work by school staff in connection with the pandemic this year, the Board approved that the pedagogical day of May 21, 2021 be instead a day of well-being for staff



## Board Highlights - CSNO meeting held on 25 March 2021

St. Isidore

members, for whom this day is on their work schedule.

### New Curriculum

The Board is still awaiting the new kindergarten to Grade 6 curriculum draft. The Department of Education has launched the request for contributions for the development of the new grade 7 to 10 curriculum. Three CSNO teachers have submitted their application to be part of the working groups.

### 2021 CSNO Bursary

The CSNO will award two \$800 bursaries to its 2021 graduates. The deadline to submit applications is:

- ♦ Bourse « **Engagement vie scolaire et communautaire** » : April 30, 2021, and
- ♦ Bourse « **Excellence scolaire** » : June 25, 2021.

The forms are available [here](#).

### Francophonie Month

Many special activities are carried out in the CSNO schools throughout the Francophonie month. In addition, the CSNO has published a series of video testimonials "My Francophone Education, My Advantage" on social media and on its website. This series of video clips presents parents, graduates and students from our school communities sharing the importance of Francophone education in their lives and their sense of belonging to the francophone school community.

See the video clips [HERE](#).

### Conversations with the school community

In February, the CSNO conducted conversations with the parent community and school staff through the online platform ThoughtExchange. The Board wishes to thank all those who contributed their ideas to these conversations.

Further conversations will take place with other stakeholders in the coming months. The results will be used to develop the 2020-2021 annual education report and will be shared with the community in the fall along with the 2020-2021 Annual Education Report.

### Parent Surveys (Assurance Framework)

The annual Alberta Education surveys will be conducted between March 23 and April 23. Parents in grades 4 to 12 will receive a code in the mail to access the online survey. Parents who prefer to complete the paper survey can request it from the ministry or their principal.

This year's student, teacher and parent surveys will include questions that measure both the required Alberta Education Assurance Measures (AEAMs) as well as the previous Accountability Pillar survey measures.

See the [Alberta Education](#) for more information.

### Administration report

**Staff Recruitment** - There are still positions to be filled and teacher recruitment is proving to be a little slower. See [job offers](#).

### Invitation

The public is invited to Board meetings and may have an item on the agenda by contacting Corporate Secretary, Rachelle Bergeron, a week in advance at 780-624-8855 or 1-866-624-8855.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

April 1	No School (ÉH)
April 2-9	Spring Break (ÉH/EQV/ÉNF)
April 2	Good Friday - Hoiday
April 5	Easter Monday - Hoiday
April 22	CSNO Meeting at 2 p.m.