

# Board Highlights



## March 1, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

### Early Learning Accountability Report



The Early Learning Accountability Report was presented by Amanda Olson, our Superintendent of Learning. Prairie South is very active in developing Prekindergarten programs, both Ministry funded and Prairie South funded. There are 8 Ministry funded programs and 9 Prairie South funded programs. Due to Covid-19, we have a few open spots in our Prek programs for this school year, and we are hopeful that in September 2022 our programs will be full once again. Prairie South was provided with 8 Early Learning Intensive Supports spots, which is a federally funded program that enables children who are 3 and 4 years old who have intensive support needs to attend Prekindergarten with additional supports needed in order to be successful. Those spots were assigned to two Prek students at each of the following schools: Assiniboia 7th Avenue, Sunningdale, King George and William Grayson.

Each year, our Kindergarten educators administer the Early Years Evaluation Teacher Assessment to a select number of students. In the fall of 2021, there were 473 Kindergarten students who were assessed. Schools receive their school level data and their individual student results. School teams then plan for additional learning opportunities in areas of need.



### Calm Before the Storm: A Pathway to Resiliency

The Superintendents of Operations presented to the Board on Resiliency and Dr. Robyne Hanley-Dafoe's book *Calm Within the Storm – A Pathway to Everyday Resiliency*. Our senior administration team has worked closely with our school-based administrators on Dr. Robyne's five pillars of Everyday Resilience, which are: 1) Belonging 2) Perspective 3) Acceptance 4) Hope 5) Humour. Each time we meet with the school administrators this school year, we focus on one of the pillars. As we return to meeting with school administrators face-to-face this year, it is important that we come together as a team where everybody has a voice and the opportunity to share. One of our main priorities this school year has been on wellness, and we need to take care of our people and each other. Our school administrators bring the information they learn back into their schools where we are seeing great things happen – wellness fairs, health symposiums, connections and re-connections and many other wonderful learning opportunities. We need to work hard together to support our students. Strength comes from each other – we are stronger together than we are separate, and we are here to support each other. We can do hard things and we need to do the hard things before we can do the great things.

### Class Size Report

Twice a year the Board receives a report outlining the number of classes that have more than 28 students and classes that have 10 or fewer students. The data presented to the Board is from February 11, 2022. There are 64 total classes than have more than 28 students which includes 11 schools and various grades. There are 79 classes in 19 different schools that have 10 or fewer students.



### Central Collegiate Gymnasium

Prior to the Board Meeting, trustees toured the newly renovated gymnasium at Central Collegiate in Moose Jaw. The emergent funding remediation project cost 1.1 million with updates to the gym, stage, and boiler room.

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