

November 7, 2023

Prairie South Schools

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BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

TRUSTEES TOUR PATHWAYS SCHOOL



Our trustees were excited to tour our newest school - Pathways School. Pathways is a storefront school for students in grades 10, 11, and 12 who are not achieving success in the traditional school setting. A storefront school is a non-traditional learning environment that uses space in a building typically meant for retail.

Prairie South Pathways is designed to see our students succeed by focusing on their strengths, interests and goals, and by creating more flexibility and freedom in their learning environment. One-on-one and small group learning sessions replace traditional classroom structures. Students learn at a pace that works for them, with a focus on employability as they attain outcomes for courses towards graduation.

SCHOOL & DIVISION IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT

Derrick Huschi, Superintendent of School Operations, presented the School and Division Improvement Accountability Report, which focuses specifically on the Learning Improvement Plans (LIPs) for the 2022-23 school year.

The LIPs had a focus on belonging and relationships, as well as learning. There were 81 LIP goals (some schools have multiple goals) which is the same number as last year. In 2022-23, we saw 30 LIPs meet their goal. However, it is important to understand that in some instances, schools were setting unattainable goals. Our superintendents of operations will be working with schools this year to help them set more realistic goals in the future. Looking at our data in a more meaningful way will help schools and SCCs understand and achieve goals. We review the LIPs with schools a minimum of 3 times a year. SCCs complete an annual assessment and our SCCs have indicated that they are uncertain of the value of the self-assessment so we will work with them this school year to get their input on how we can collect this information to help them better in the future.

RIVER STREET PROMOTIONS

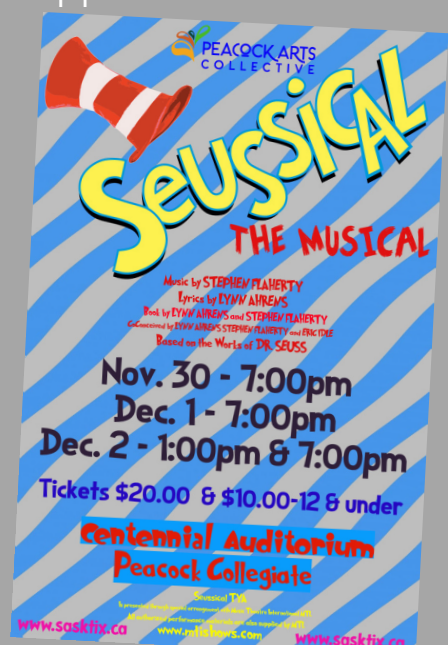
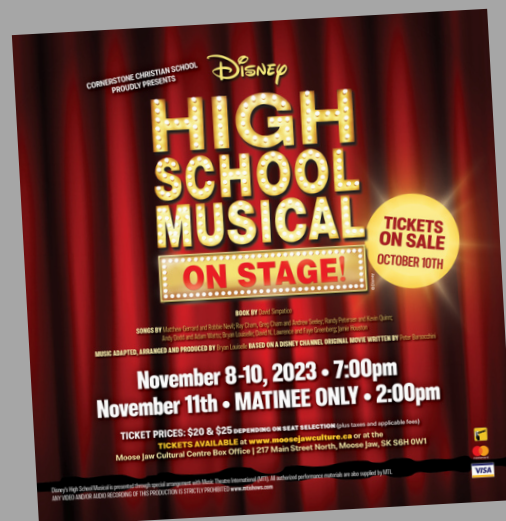
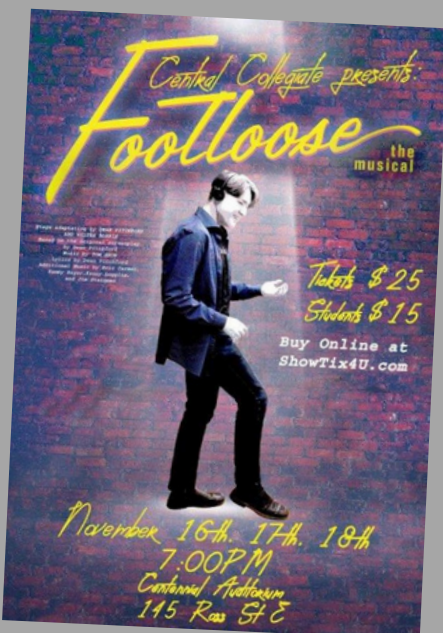
River Street Promotions held their third annual Homestand concert on September 9, 2023. Prairie South and Holy Trinity benefited greatly from this event. We received an astounding \$130,000 to support youth mental health initiatives in our divisions! Our heartfelt gratitude to River Street Promotions, all the volunteers, and sponsors for this extraordinary event. Your contributions will make a difference in the lives of our students. Thank you!



(Photo by Gordon Edgar)

UPCOMING HIGH SCHOOL MUSICALS

Congratulations to Briercrest Christian Academy for hosting their first musical in a decade. Thanks to the staff and students for making that happen.



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