

# CONNECTIONS

## NEWSLETTER

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# WELCOME BACK!

On behalf of the Board of Education and Senior Administration, welcome to the 2024-25 school year.

This year marks the beginning of the Board's new Strategic Plan.

This new Plan will guide our priorities and work for the next four years. The Strategic Plan will build on our current strengths while addressing areas where we can improve. You will find strong alignment between the Strategic Plan and who we have been striving to be – a place where you want to work, where students want to learn, and a school division that excels at its core business of student well-being and learning. Principals and managers will meet with staff in the coming weeks to share this year's focus areas.

## STRATEGIC PLAN 2024 TO 2028

### OUR HOPE AND DREAM

Education is valued in society and people are empowered to achieve their goals, contributing to a thriving Saskatchewan.

### OUR MISSION

Prairie South Schools serves students and families by understanding their needs and focusing on operational excellence, benefiting urban and rural communities in southern Saskatchewan.

We provide leadership and empowerment to schools through strategic direction and prioritization, resource allocation, and supports to deliver high quality education, aligned with our provincial mandate.

### OUR 4-YEAR VISION

Prairie South Schools equips and inspires students through education to become happy, thriving, contributing members of their communities. Learners and team members feel a sense of belonging in our schools, leading to results-based achievement exceeding the provincial average.

As a top employer in the province, Prairie South Schools empowers leaders in the organization to make decisions in alignment with our strategy, and fosters continued growth and evolution to meet the needs of our changing environment.



Like most school years, the 2024-25 school year will present opportunities and a few challenges. However, we have an incredible team of people willing to embrace opportunities, take on challenges, and continue to make Prairie South Schools the great place it is. Thank you for that work and have a fantastic school year!

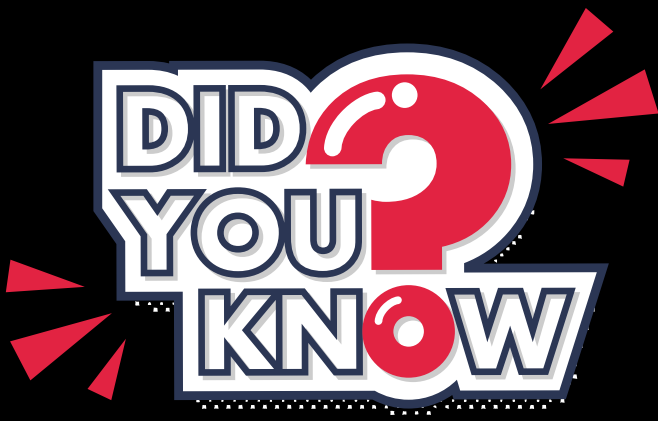


# Welcome Teachers to Prairie South

We are excited to welcome over 50 teachers to our team for the 2024-2025 school year! Pictured below are some of the teachers who attended the orientation on August 22.







Our Transportation Department works hard over the summer placing over 2700 students onto 106 bus routes! Our certified mechanics ensure all buses are in peak condition for our bus drivers to transport all students safely to school.



## Upcoming Events

September 3

- First Day of School
- Regular Board Meeting

September 7

- Homestand 24

September 8

- International Literacy Day

September 13-22

- Immigration Welcoming Week

September 24

- Board Planning Meeting

September 24-October 9

- Nominations accepted for upcoming School Board Election

September 26-27

- School-based Administrators' Meeting

September 30

- National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day)

# SHARE

We would love to hear from you!

Do you have any stories or ideas to share? Please email [communications@prairiesouth.ca](mailto:communications@prairiesouth.ca) to submit them today!