

THE BRIEF

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



ROCKY VIEW SCHOOLS

June 9, 2022

Board Congratulates Staff for Their Achievements

- As an organization dedicated to providing world-class learning opportunities to students, Rocky View Schools (RVS) values, encourages and celebrates lifelong learning for all staff.
- At its June 9 meeting, the Board extended its congratulations to 28 RVS staff members who demonstrated leadership in learning this school year by obtaining post-secondary degrees or professional certificates. First-year teachers who were nominated by their school for the Alberta School Board Association's Edwin Parr Award, were also recognized for their achievement.
- Through these accomplishments, collaboration and research, staff gain valuable knowledge, skills and experiences to enhance their role, innovate and share with their colleagues. These new learnings can make a difference in students' lives and RVS appreciates the commitment and great work demonstrated by these staff members.
- The names of those recognized for their achievements will be posted on RVS' [website](#) shortly.

Infrastructure Maintenance and Renewal Spending Approved for 2022/23

- Trustees approved \$2.8 million in Infrastructure Maintenance and Renewal (IMR) spending for the coming school year. IMR funding is determined by the provincial government.
- Most of the funding – \$1.2 million – is for an upgrade to the Career and Technology Studies area at Airdrie's George McDougall High School to accommodate students as the need for new high schools in Airdrie continues to grow.
- The remainder of the funding will be used to complete important maintenance and improvement projects at schools throughout the division, including painting, washroom fixtures, mechanical/controls upgrades and sanding and re-lining gymnasium floors.

Locally Developed Courses Provide Additional Choice to High School Students

- The Board approved the renewal of several expiring Locally Developed Courses (LDCs) that high school administrators confirmed they would like to offer for students in their schools.
- LDCs are courses which are developed by other jurisdictions and include subjects such as American Sign Language (ASL) and Deaf Culture, Leadership in the Arts, Military Studies and Competencies in Math.
- LDCs allow school authorities to be innovative and responsive at the local level and offer special interest courses they would not be able to provide otherwise.

RVS to Re-purchase School in Cochrane

- In 1993, RVS sold the school building and lands at 129 Powell Street, Cochrane, AB – then known as Andrew Sibbald School – to Calgary Catholic School Division (CCSD) for a nominal amount.

- The sale agreement provided the opportunity for RVS to re-purchase the school and lands for the same amount in the summer of 2023.
- During the 2022/23 school year, RVS will evaluate the condition of the building and determine future use of the building and lands.

Amendments to Board Policy 10

- Amendments were made to Board Policy 10 – Policy Making, the policy that provides direction on the Board's approach to planning, developing, implementing and evaluating policies.
- Adjustments were made to simplify processes, be less prescriptive in areas that should have flexibility and provide some clarification. References to the Education Act were also updated.