

Canadian Rockies Public Schools

Highlights From August 23, 2021 Public School Board Meeting

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School Council Meeting Dates
 TBD

Next Public School Board Meeting

September 22, 2021
 7:00 p.m.

The meeting will be available to the public via Google Meet to ensure that we are in no way contributing to the spread of COVID-19 in the communities we serve.

The August 23rd CRPS Public School Board meeting was closed for in-person public attendance to help prevent the community spread of the COVID-19 virus. The meeting was available to the public through a Google Meet link. The meeting was recorded and the recording is posted on the division website.

Re-Entry Procedures and Guidelines Fall 2021

On August 12, 2021 the provincial government released the provincial guidelines for re-entry. Canadian Rockies School Division used this document as well as experience garnered from the past 20 months, the results of the CRPS Re-Entry Survey Fall 2021 which was sent to all CRPS families and staff, and weighing present conditions, to assist in forming the CRPS Re-Entry Plan. There was excellent participation in the survey with close to 1000 responses. The goal as a division is, and always will be, to ensure the health and safety of all students and staff while moving to allow fewer restrictions in activities for our students.

Staff, students and visitors are asked to review the [Alberta Health Daily Checklist](#) everyday to assess whether they feel well enough to attend school. No sick child or staff member should be in school and are asked to stay home if feeling sick or showing symptoms. If students are unwell and require to be absent from class, teachers will support students to work from home as per typical practices when a student is ill and must remain at home, but is still able to complete school work.

Please visit the CRPS website to view the [CRPS Divisional Re-Entry Plan 2021-2022](#) in its entirety.

Trustee Elections 2021

Election Day is Monday, October 18, 2021.



Albertans vote for their school board trustees as part of the municipal general elections. A general election takes place every four years.

Please visit the [CRPS website](#) for information regarding 2021 Election Packages and Nomination Papers.

School Board Governance Training

Whether Trustees have years of experience or it's their first term position, all Board members benefit from governance training. Following an election is an optimum time for new and returning trustees to receive governance training. School Board training can help board members understand their fiduciary obligation, as outlined in the [Board Policy Handbook, Policy 3: Role of the Trustee](#), and the need for setting a vision and adopting goals to help make tangible progress toward that vision.

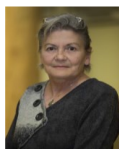
Following the election on October 18, 2021, Dr. Tom Thompson, former President of Olds College, will facilitate the governance training for the Board of Trustees. Dr. Thompson will lead the Board through strategic planning, goal setting, as well as ethics training and examination of roles and responsibilities of Board members. The tentative dates set for the training will be October 23 and 24, 2021.

International Student Arrivals

Once again Canadian Rockies School Division is welcoming students from around the world to study and learn in the Bow Valley. Following a very rigorous COVID-19 protocol for international students, 47 students are being welcomed into families in Banff and Canmore.

Homestay families receive a generous monthly remuneration as well as the amazing benefits of cultural learning and sharing that comes from hosting students from around the world, who are truly excited to be here. If you are interested in hosting a student please email: international@crps.ca

We encourage and thank you for spreading the word about the CRPS Homestay Program in the Bow Valley. Successful referrals also get rewarded generously as a token of our appreciation.



Carol Picard
 Chair



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