



**Grande Prairie
Public School
Division**
Every Student Succeeds

November 26, 2024

Board Highlights



BOARD BYLAW DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

At the Board's request, GPPSD's Administration presented Bylaw 2024-1, Criminal Record Check Bylaw, and Bylaw 2024-2, Nomination Deposit Bylaw, for their consideration.

Following discussion, the Board gave first reading to Bylaw 2024-1, Criminal Record Check Bylaw, and voted not to proceed with enacting Bylaw 2024-2 to avoid adding a potential barrier to interested (cont).

candidates choosing to run for trustee. The second and third readings for Bylaw 2024-1 will be brought to the December 10, 2024, meeting.



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2024 NATIONAL INDIGENOUS EDUCATOR AWARD: KRISTA UMBLE



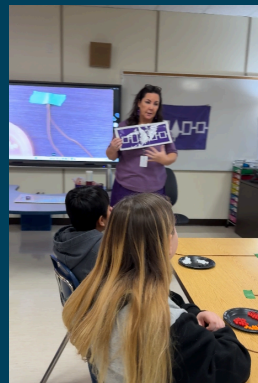
The Board was pleased to hear that Krista Umble, Indigenous Program Coordinator for the division, was one of only five Canadians to receive Indspire's 2024 Guiding the Journey: Indigenous Educator Award.

Each year Indspire honours Indigenous educators from across Canada for their contributions to community-based education and who honour the principles of Indigenous knowledge.

The Board thanked Krista for her dedication to students and for guiding the division's Reconciliation journey. Read more about this incredible achievement [here](#).



Image: (Top) A floor map of Turtle Island with Treaty delineations is one of many interactive teaching tools. GPPSD students are posed surrounding Treaty 8. (Bottom) Krista teaching traditional beading, a form of coding.



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Krista's dedication embodies the spirit of reconciliation and community-building, strengthening our schools with understanding, pride, and respect.”



ALBERTA CURRICULUM RENEWAL

On Friday, November 9th, the Minister of Education announced the schedule for continued curriculum development. The following will be developed in four subjects over the course of the current school year:

Grades 7-9 Mathematics
Grades 7-9 Social Studies
Grades 7-10 Physical Education and Wellness
Career and Life Management (CALM)

Several division teachers have volunteered to participate in working groups to help inform curriculum development. Alberta Education has said they will share more specific information later in the school year.

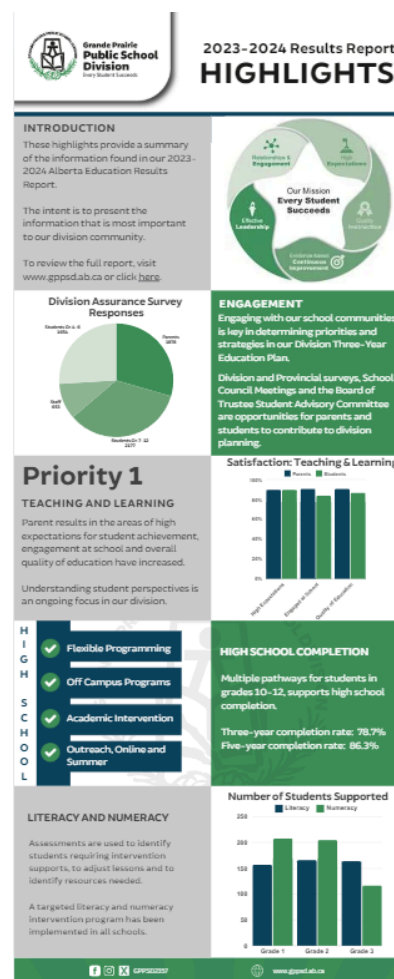
GPPSD 2023 – 2024 ALBERTA EDUCATION RESULTS REPORT

The Board approved GPPSD's Annual Education Results Report for the 2023 – 2024 school year. The report will now be sent to Alberta Education, shared at the Council of School Councils meetings, and posted to the Division website.

The report describes the division students' growth and achievement each year and is designed to increase student, parent, and staff trust and confidence in the division's work.

Trustees also reviewed GPPSD's assurance planning and reporting cycle, which drives continuous improvement. This work is supported by the Division 3-Year Education Plan. The plan is submitted to Alberta Education annually on May 30th, identifying the priorities, outcomes, strategies, and how student success will be measured.

Read report [highlights](#) or read the full report [here](#).





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ALBERTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION'S (ASBA) FALL GENERAL MEETING MLA BREAKFAST

Trustees attended the breakfast on November 19th in Edmonton. They had the opportunity to discuss division priorities with local and provincial MLAs.

Board Meetings

6:00 p.m., Central Office Board Room,
Grande Prairie Public School Division

Future Board Meetings

- December 10, 2024
- January 10, 2025
- January 28, 2025
- February 11, 2025
- February 25, 2025
- March 11, 2025
- March 25, 2025
- April 8, 2025
- April 22, 2025
- May 13, 2025
- May 25, 2025
- June 10, 2025

Individuals or groups who wish to make comment on any specific item on the agenda of a Board meeting are required to register with the Board Office by noon of the day of the Board meeting. The full Board Policy 7 can be found on our website



Image (L-R): MLA Grande Prairie-Wapiti Ron Wiebe, Board Chair Joan Nellis, MLA Grande Prairie Nolan Dyck, Trustee Donna Koch.



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