# **BOARD**

# HIGHLIGHTS



#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2024/2025**



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Board meetings take place in the Central Board room at the Division Office (231 Hardin Street) starting at 2:00 pm. The next meeting is on February 19, 2025. The following are updates from the January 29, 2025, meeting.

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# PRIORITY #1 - SUCCESS FOR ALL STUDENTS

- The Board of Trustees has approved École McTavish Public High School to travel to New York, NY, from April 13-19, 2025, to participate in a musical theatre tour.
- The Board of Trustees has approved École McTavish Public High School to travel to the Republic of Peru, from April 11-20, 2025.
- The Board of Trustees has approved Westwood Community High School to travel to Austria, Germany and Switzerland from April 10-19, 2025.
- The Board shared a letter from the Minister regarding feedback on the Funding Manual and advocacy for additional funding.
- The Board shared a letter from the Minister approving the Division's request for an operating reserve exemption for the 2023/2024 school year.

# TRUSTEE ENGAGEMENT FOR DEC 29 - JAN 25





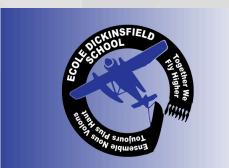


# SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS



#### Composite High School - Peer Tutoring

Composite High School was proud to showcase its remarkable after-school Peer Tutoring Program, sponsored by the Fort McMurray Kinsman Club. Open to all students every Tuesday and Thursday, the program creates a supportive environment where students collaborate to achieve academic success. Many participants have expressed gratitude for the opportunity to help their peers flourish, fostering academic growth and a stronger sense of community within the school.



# École Dickinsfield - Magical World of Oz Recap

Students from École Dickinsfield proudly presented to the Board of Trustees about their recent production, The Magical World of Oz. The play provided students with a safe and supportive space to explore their creativity, build confidence, and feel a sense of comfort earlier in the school year. Inspired by the success of this production, students from École Dickinsfield eagerly anticipate their next exciting school performance.

# **DIVISION SHOWCASE**



#### Aloha Grand Champion: Kreev Shaw

Kreev Shah, a talented Grade 2 student at Dave McNeilly Public School, achieved a remarkable milestone by winning the prestigious Aloha Grand Championship for Math held in Madrid, Spain this past July. Representing Fort McMurray, Kreev earned a perfect score of 70/70, showcasing his exceptional skill and dedication to mathematics. The Board of Trustees would like to congratulate Kreev on his outstanding achievement, recognizing the honour he has brought to his school and community.



Top 50 Under 50: Jihan Jones

The Board of Trustees would like to congratulate Jihan Jones, a dedicated Fort McMurray Public School Division educator, for being honoured among the Top 50 Under 50 this year! Jihan's unwavering commitment to education and community shines through her decade-long efforts to inspire students and foster meaningful connections in Fort McMurray. Jihan's recognition is a testament to her passion for lifelong learning, cultural appreciation, and building a thriving, inclusive community.



YMM Builder: Lorraine Albert

The Board sends their congratulations to Elder Lorraine Albert of the FMPSD Elders Advisory Committee on receiving the prestigious YMM Builder 2024 Award! Through her teachings, Elder Lorraine inspires students by sharing traditional games like snow snakes and guiding them in the art of making Bannock on a stick over an open fire. Elder Lorraine's dedication to preserving and passing on Indigenous traditions truly makes her a builder of strong cultural connections within the community.