



HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD MEETING BRIEFS



*Christ-centered
learning communities
where students
are cherished
and achieve
their potential.*

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ACTION ITEMS

Three Year Capital Plan (2027-2030)

A draft version of the Three Year Capital Plan for 2027-2030 was reviewed. The final version will be presented at the March 2026 Board Meeting.

Locally Developed Courses

The Board reviewed and approved a locally developed course for use within the division.

Council of School Councils Agenda

The School Council Chairs and the Board of Trustees Meeting will take place on March 2, 2026 and items discussed will be:

• Schollie Survey • Budget Presentation • School Council Reports

ASCA Conference Registration

The Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) will be holding its Symposium and Annual General Meeting from April 25-26, 2026. To support division school councils, the Board gave approval to pay the registration for up to four (4) school council members.

Transportation

The Board approved the renewal of the Southland Transportation Ltd. contract for a five (5) year term.

Kindergarten

The Board approved the implementation of all day Kindergarten beginning in 2026/2027 for select schools in the division.

Board Meetings

The remaining 2025/2026 Board Meetings will start at 1:00 p.m. as per Board approval.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Administrative Procedures Update

The Board received the following revised Administrative Procedures:

- AP 126: Facility Planning
- AP 405: Teacher Evaluation
- AP 352: Transportation of Students by Private Vehicle

Holy Spirit Spiritual Development Day

Holy Spirit's Spiritual Development Day will be held on Friday, March 13, 2026 at Catholic Central High School beginning with Mass, then guest speaker Katie Patrizio.

INFORMATION ITEMS (CONT)

SPICE and Blueprints Conferences

The ACSTA will be hosting this years' SPICE Retreat from April 30 – May 3, 2026 and Blueprints from May 5 - 8, 2026 in Kananaskis, AB.

Alberta Education and Childcare Surveys

Alberta Education and Childcare have launched the 2026 Assurance Surveys for parents and guardians to gather direct feedback on the quality of education by school authorities. The survey is open until March 6.

Correspondence to Minister Nicolaides

The Board received as information correspondence sent to the Minister of Education and Childcare expressing support for a collaborative initiative to address infrastructure and safety within the shared transportation corridor that serves five (5) local schools.

Classroom Complexity Funding

The Minister of Education and Childcare recently announced the allocation of five (5) Complexity Teams for Holy Spirit Catholic School Division. Each team, comprised of a teacher and two (2) educational assistants, will be integrated into targeted schools.

PRESENTATIONS

Cardiac Emergency Response Planning

Mr. Mike Humphrey, EMS Operations Officer for Lethbridge Fire and Emergency Services gave a presentation to the Board concerning the importance of cardiac emergency response planning.

REPORTS

Board Reports:

- Board Chair
- ACSTA
- Economic Development
- ASBA
- GRACE
- Joint City / School Boards

Administrative Reports:

- Superintendent
- Deputy Superintendent
- Secretary Treasurer
- Associate Superintendent
- Director of Support Services
- Director of Technology

HOLY SPIRIT STARS

Congratulations to the following staff and students:

The following students from Catholic Central High School represented the division at the Battle of the Bands. Beyond their musical talents they were also excellent ambassadors with their exemplary behaviour:

Katy Sawa	Oliver Taylor
Praise Oketola	Brock Bernhart
Elias Fuentes Manjano	Kyus Poff
Hayden Walshe	Aiden Kingston
Karla Vasquez	Chance Stapleton

The following students from Catholic Central High School gave of their time and talents to facilitate the setting up and tearing down of the equipment needed at the Battle of the Bands. They served as excellent ambassadors as well for the division with their exemplary behaviour:

Keira Cook	Liam Doherty
Vanessa Loszinka	Alaina Doherty
Precious Oketola	

Laurie McIntosh (Teacher at Children of St. Martha School) - Was the keynote speaker at the South Western Alberta Teachers' Convention where she spoke to more than 2000 teachers from school divisions across southwestern Alberta.

Aaron Gukert (Teacher at St. Paul School) - Elder Andrew Black Plume honoured him with the Blackfoot name, Spi'tai ko waan, which means "Tall Man".

Joshua Pettipas (Teacher at St. Paul School) - Elder Andrew Black Plume honoured him with the Blackfoot name, Pa'n'il, which was Elder Black Plume's grandfather's name.

Joseph Scott (St. Michael's School, Pincher Creek) - Will be a Head Dancer at the International Peace Pow Wow which brings together the nations of the Blackfoot Confederacy as well as other Tribes and First Nations across western North America.

Autumn Bruce (Father Leonard Van Tighem School) - Has been nominated for the 15th Annual Horizon Youth Award with the Country Music Alberta Awards.

Margit Orban-Imreh (St. Michael's School, Pincher Creek) - Grade 12 student who published a book called *Moments and Memories of Canada's Royal Family*. She and her parents were invited to present her book in Ottawa where they met with a Governor General representative at Rideau Hall.

Strengthening Our Catholic Faith

- We foster a Catholic worldview of reflection, service and sacramentality
- Our staff and students demonstrate knowledge of faith and commit to faith development
- We create Communities of Accompaniment in our school

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven"
Matthew 5:16



Learning Through Quality Teaching

- We prepare students for career pathways
- All students demonstrate growth in literacy and numeracy
- Schools reflect collaborative teaching and learning environments

"May my teaching drop like the rain, my speech condense like the dew; like gentle rain on grass, like showers on new growth"
Deuteronomy 32:2

Belonging In Our Diverse Community

- We will assist students in navigating various pathways of support
- We provide programming and support for student and staff well-being
- We celebrate and respect all cultures and ethnicities in our schools

"For surely I know the plans I have for you, shays the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope"
Jeremiah 29:11



Living Truth and Reconciliation

- Our First Nations, Métis and Inuit students will continue to see increasing success rates
- We foster reconciliation through listening, accompaniment and recognition of the ongoing impacts of the past
- We will deepen our understanding of our collective responsibilities as Treaty People

"These are the things that you shall do: Speak the truth to one another, render in your gates judgments that are true and make for peace"
Zechariah 8:16