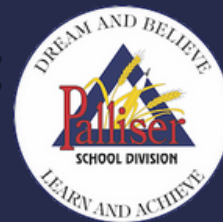


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Human Resources Update

The Human Resources team at Palliser School Division provides support to a diverse workforce of over 1600 individuals, including teachers, bus drivers, educational assistants, and other professionals dedicated to the well-being and education of our students. The department contributes to recruiting and retaining qualified personnel, fostering a positive work culture, and upholding legal and ethical standards within the educational community.

During the current school year, the team has focused on enhancing support for all staff members. In the fall of 2023, they launched the HR Staff Portal, a comprehensive online resource. This portal centralizes essential information, documents, and resources for staff wellness, streamlining access and support. Additionally, the team has undertaken a review of Administrative Procedures and the Employee Handbook.

The HR team also offered staff support and professional development through the 'New Teachers' orientation group to empower new educators, and 'Aspiring Leaders', which supports teachers looking to transition to administrative roles.



Edwin Parr Nominee Announced

Bailey Clarkin, a standout kindergarten teacher at Huntsville School, is Palliser School Division's nominee for the 2024 Edwin Parr Award.

In her first year, Bailey has excelled in managing a diverse and energetic classroom, demonstrating skills that surpass her experience. Daniel Grimes, the school's principal, praises her exceptional classroom management and engagement strategies. Faced with the challenge of teaching English to students primarily speaking Low German, Bailey has innovatively used multimodal learning to meet her students' needs, earning accolades from Early Learning Coordinator Shari Rogerson and Learning Support Teacher Melissa Easthope for her impact on students' early literacy.

Her ability to create a nurturing environment for English as an Additional Language (EAL) students, alongside her dedication to professional growth and embracing feedback, showcases her exemplary teaching and makes her a deserving candidate for the Edwin Parr Award. Bailey's achievements in her first year highlight her potential to impact her students' journey in learning.



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Capital Improvement Plan

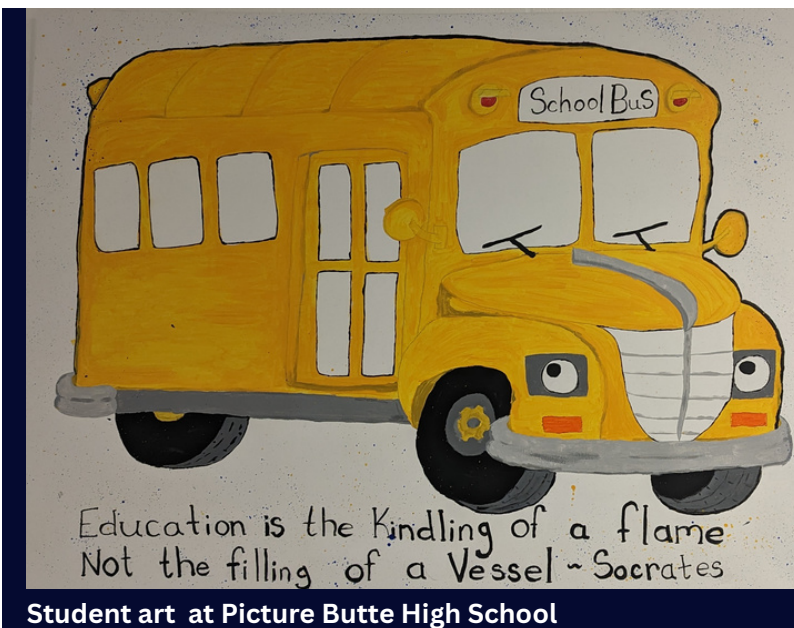
The capital plan has not changed. Division priorities continue to be the modernization of Coalhurst High School and a grade reconfiguration with Coalhurst Elementary. This will be crucial to support the population of Alberta's fastest-growing community.

The next priority is the modernization of County Central High School, followed by a replacement of the Sunnyside School building.

Find more information on the capital plan here: [Planning and Reporting](#)

Volunteer Bus Driver Training

The Division is pleased with the interest in volunteering to help our students travel on field trips or other events outside of school. Volunteers interested in completing the required training and possess a Class 1 or 2 license are encouraged to reach out to their school administration or Palliser School Division's [transportation services department](#) to learn how to proceed.



Student art at Picture Butte High School

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The next regular Board Meeting will be on April 9, 2024