Board Meeting Highlights:

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD: Dec 10, 2024



Early Learning Report

Palliser School Division's Early Learning Programs provide valuable learning experiences for 3 and 4-year-olds through play-based learning, literacy and numeracy development and social-emotional growth. These enriching programs are located at 10 schools throughout the southern area of the division. Input from our dedicated team of educators and school administrators, along with professional development opportunities have ensured the integration of the best and most current practices. The Board understands the importance of accessible and high-quality early learning, and is committed to addressing the challenges of rising student needs by prioritizing the support provided by speech and language pathologists, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, and family-oriented programs. To inquire about an early learning program at your local school, please contact the school directly.

International Student Program Report

The Palliser School Division's International Student Program continues to thrive, welcoming students from diverse global backgrounds and allowing domestic students to experience cultural diversity and enrichment within their classrooms and exciting opportunities for reciprocal exchanges. International students are welcomed into our communities and experience cultural immersion and short-term and long-term programming options. In the past year, the program adjusted student enrollment to ensure quality placements and address capacity concerns, however, has continued to see growth in applications and has expanded its partnerships with international agencies. In the new year, local students will participate in reciprocal exchange programs in Italy, Spain, and Sweden. In spring 2024, a group of students from Coaldale participated in an exchange to Teruel, Spain. More information on the Internation Student Program is available on the division website:

https://www.palliserinternationaleducation.com

Board Policy Review

The Board reviews and revises its policies on a rotational basis which provides for all policies being reviewed at least once per term of office. Drafts of Policy 3: Role of the Trustee, Board Chair and Policy 9: Appeals and Hearings Regarding Teacher Matters, now named Policy 9: Appeals and Hearings Regarding Teacher Transfers, are posted for information on the division's website. <u>https://www.pallisersd.ab.ca/board-of-</u> <u>trustees/policy-review</u>

The next regular Board Meeting will be on January 14, 2025



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