

# TRUSTEE COMMUNITY UPDATE



**BLACK GOLD  
REGIONAL  
DIVISION NO. 18**

**JUNE 2010**

The Black Gold Regional Division No. 18 is made up of 9 communities, including Leduc County. These communities are: New Sarepta, Beaumont, Leduc, Devon, Calmar, New Humble, Thorsby, Warburg and the Hutterite Colony. We also operate programs in Home-Based Schooling and Distance Learning from our Outreach School.

## Spring Planning Session

On May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> the Board met for the annual Spring Planning Session where the spring budget was approved, reports were heard from administrators, and succession planning was discussed.

## Strategic Planning

At this session, Trustees, Administration, Department Heads and Principals redefined core values and short and long term goals for success in Black Gold. We will continue developing these goals in the upcoming year.

## Board Meetings

Our bi-monthly Board meetings occur on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month beginning at 10:30 a.m., 5th floor at Central Office, County Centre in Nisku. If you have an item you wish to address, please contact Ruth Andres, Secretary-Treasurer of Black Gold Regional Division at 780-955-6025.

To access more information on Black Gold Regional Schools, please visit our website:

[www.blackgold.ca](http://www.blackgold.ca)

## Election Day: October 18, 2010

Election day for School Trustees will be on October 18<sup>th</sup>. Trustees serve a three year term. Information about Trusteeship can be found on the Black Gold website at:

[www.blackgold.ca](http://www.blackgold.ca)

Everyone is encouraged to come out and vote for their local trustee. Your support will ensure the accessibility of public education for all students.



## Black Gold Resources

Did you know that there are resource pages for parents on our website?

Parents can access our AISI projects, **GR&ATEST** (Growing Reflecting and Assessing Together - Empowering Students and Teachers) and **CLASSE**

(Collaboration Liant l'Apprentissage et les Strategies Efficaces).

Both sites have parent pages, in English, to access information.

[www.blackgold.ca/Resources/AISI/Great](http://www.blackgold.ca/Resources/AISI/Great)

## Board Contacts:

As members of the Board of Education of Black Gold Regional Division No. 18, we commit ourselves to working with staff members and other relevant stakeholder groups to provide the highest possible standard of educational opportunities for our students. Our goal is to help students fulfill personal aspirations while they learn how to become life-long learners and contributing members of society.

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County Central  
County East  
County West  
Devon  
Leduc  
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## Trustee Events

This spring, trustees attended and were involved in a variety of functions and committees including:

- Alberta School Boards' Association and Public School Board Spring General Meetings.
- Graduation ceremonies for students.
- School visits: trustees visited all 27 schools in our Division throughout the school year.
- Spring/Strategic planning session: focusing on spring budget and strategic planning which will help drive grade configurations.
- Alberta School Boards' Association Zone 2/3
- Meeting with MLAs George Rogers and Dianna McQueen
- Devon Grade Configuration
- Edwin Parr Teachers' Awards banquet
- Alberta Teachers' Association Retirement Banquet



### Edwin Parr Awards

Every year the Alberta School Board Association hosts the ASBA Edwin Parr Teachers Award as a way of recognizing their employees.

Every school board has a chance to nominate an outstanding first year teacher for this award. The award recipients are chosen by a committee of trustees.

A banquet and awards ceremony is held in honor of the outstanding teachers in recognition of their dedication and love for teaching.



### Inspiring Education Report and Setting the Direction

Inspiring Education is a dialogue with Albertan's about the future of education. The steering committee report can be found at the following link:

[www.inspiringeducation.alberta.ca](http://www.inspiringeducation.alberta.ca)

Setting the Direction for Special Education in Alberta is an initiative of Alberta Education. The project created a new Special Education framework that includes vision, principles, policy, accountability and funding. The Government of Alberta has responded to the *Framework*.

<http://www.education.alberta.ca/department/ipr/settingthedirection.aspx>



**Have a  
safe and  
relaxing  
summer**

