



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

February 6, 2019



CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Willow Park School



On January 18th, Mrs. Jenna Haugan's Early Childhood Services class from Willow Park School presented Winter Care Packages full of warm mittens, toques, and socks to the Leduc HUB for the Homeless. The students also sang a song for the school called 'Make Your Mark'.

Mrs. Haugan was very proud of the empathy and enthusiasm that her students showed throughout this project. Thank you to the United Way of the Alberta Capital Region and Dentons Canada for granting the class the opportunity to "Make Our Mark on Poverty" in our community!

Congratulations to the kindergarten students and Mrs. Haugan for participating in this project. Their Winter Care Packages warmed hands, heads, feet, and HEARTS! "Do small things with BIG love."



COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

The Board approved the 2019-2020 [Covenant Christian School Year Calendar](#).

COUNCIL OF SCHOOL COUNCILS

The meeting of Council of School Councils will be held on February 27, 2019 at West Haven Public School, commencing at 5:30 p.m. with light refreshments and the program to begin at 6:00 p.m. Trustees are eager to meet with School Councils and parents. Parents may bring their children (ages 3 – 8), and sign-up for babysitting services provided by leadership students.



ASCA CONFERENCE

The Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) conference will be held April 26 to 28, 2019 in Edmonton. The Conference is called 'School Councils: Building Bridges'. Registration is now open. The Board approved the reimbursement of registration costs for four School Council members to attend the ASCA conference.



2019-2020 MODULAR CLASSROOM PROGRAM

Superintendent Yanitski announced that Alberta Education has approved the following modular requests for BGRD:

- ◆ Four modular classrooms and one washroom unit for Caledonia Park School
- ◆ One modular classroom for East Elementary School
- ◆ Two modular classrooms and one washroom unit for École Leduc Estates School
- ◆ Two modular classrooms for West Haven Public School



SCHOOL VISITS



Trustees and Superintendent Yanitski attended visits to the following schools:
January 10th – West Haven Public, Black Gold Outreach - Leduc, Covenant Christian, École Corinthia Park
January 24th – École Leduc Junior High, Willow Park, Caledonia Park

Trustees commented that the tour guides are always excited and an email was shared from a teacher who talked about the excitement of the visits from the Board and Superintendent.

LOCALLY DEVELOPED COURSES

The Board approved the use of the following Locally Developed Courses:

- ◆ LDC1131 – Design Thinking for Innovation 15, 3 Credits (Authorized from December 17, 2018 – August 31, 2021)
- ◆ LDC3007 – Aviation 35, 3 Credits (Authorized from December 14, 2018 – August 31, 2019)
- ◆ LDC1515 – Competencies in Math, 3 Credits (Authorized from September 1, 2018 – August 31, 2022)
- ◆ LDC2341 & LDC3341 – Aviation Structures 25 & 35, 3 Credits Each (Authorized from December 4, 2018 – August 31, 2022)



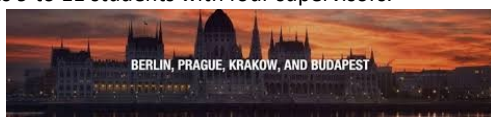
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The Board approved the extension of the authorization date for the following course:

- ◆ LDC1979, 2979, 3979 – Musical Theatre 15, 25, 35 - 5 Credits (Authorization to August 31, 2020)

STUDENT EXCURSIONS

The Board gave approval in principle to a student excursion request from New Sarepta Community High School. The excursion is to Berlin, Prague, Krakow and Budapest, from March 27 to April 5, 2020 for Grades 9 to 11 students with four supervisors.



The Board gave approval in principle to a student excursion request from École Champs Vallée School. The excursion is to Ottawa, Québec City and Montréal, from June 20 to 26, 2019 for 23 Grades 6 and 7 French Immersion students with one teacher and parent volunteers.



GIRLS IN STEM DAY

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Day was held on February 1, 2019 at West Haven Public School, which focused on young women to pursue and inspire success in one of these fields. There were 126 students registered.

Trustees acknowledged and thanked the organizers and support staff for STEM Day – Tarynne Angell, Carol Anderson, Darren Maltais, Ray McCubbing, Rob Baptiste and Bill Romanchuk. Trustees also thanked the organizations who donated supplies for the STEM Day.



If I Had My Child To Raise Over Again

If I had my child to raise over again,
 I'd finger paint more, and point the finger less.
 I'd do less correcting, and more connecting.
 I'd take my eyes off my watch, and watch with my eyes.
 I would care to know less, and know to care more.
 I'd take more hikes and fly more kites.
 I'd stop playing serious, and seriously play.
 I'd run through more fields, and gaze at more stars.
 I'd do more hugging and less tugging.
 I would be firm less often, and affirm much more.
 I'd build self-esteem first, and the house later.
 I'd teach less about the love of power
 And more about the power of love.
 It matters not whether my child is big or small,
 From this day forth, I'll cherish it all.

Poem by Diana Loomans

