STURGEON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

TRUSTEE TALK

Updates from the Board of Trustees for our Sturgeon Public School Community April 2025



Revised Transportation Fee Schedule

At the April 23, 2025, Public Board Meeting, the Board of Trustees approved revisions to Board Policy 500: Student Transportation Services, including the addition of a new Transportation Fee Schedule for the 2025–2026 school year. To view the revised *Policy 500: Student Transportation Services*, click <u>here</u>.



Teal Up Day

On April 11, 2025, staff and students proudly wore teal and gathered at Guthrie School to celebrate Canadian military children and the important role they play in the Canadian Armed Forces community.

A heartfelt thank you to the Edmonton MFRC, PSP Edmonton, Edmonton Salutes, the Canadian Armed Forces and all the incredible volunteers—your support made the day truly special!



Business Engagement Evening

On April 15, Sturgeon Public Schools hosted a vibrant Community Engagement Evening, welcoming over 30 community members, business leaders and stakeholders for a night of collaboration and idea-sharing.

Board Vice Chair Stacey Buga and Deputy Superintendent Jonathan Konrad opened the evening with highlights from the Division's Education Plan, focusing on empowered learning, healthy communities and responsible leadership.

A presentation on new career-focused learning pathways—including aviation, skilled trades, STEM and technology—sparked lively discussion during a World Café–style session, where participants shared ideas for partnerships, mentorships and student success beyond school.

The evening wrapped with a collective reflection on the importance of community in shaping future-ready education.

Discover the Impact of Education Planning in 2024/25

In 2024/25, the Education Planning team played a key behind-the-scenes role in supporting schools across the Division. From implementing new K-6 curricula to guiding early literacy and numeracy interventions, their work has helped equip educators with the tools and strategies needed for effective teaching and learning.

The team also led initiatives in educational technology, artificial intelligence, Indigenous education and helped maintain stability during CUPE Labour Action. Their efforts, grounded in data and collaboration, continue to support the Division's goals of Empowered Learning, Healthy Communities and Responsible Leadership.

Explore the full <u>Education Planning Report</u> to see how their work complements the dedication of staff in every school.

Supporting Every Learner: The 2024/25 Learning Services Report

This year's Learning Services Report highlights how Sturgeon Public Schools continues to strengthen its commitment to inclusive education, mental health and collaborative supports for students and families. From expanding therapeutic services to introducing innovative programming like CASA Classrooms and implementing trauma-informed practices across schools, the Learning Services team has worked closely with educators, families and community partners to support student well-being and learning.

Guided by Alberta's Education Act and the principles of inclusive education, the team plays a vital coordinating role—ensuring schools have access to the resources, expertise and partnerships needed to support every learner from Pre-K through Grade 12.

Take a closer look at the <u>2024/25 Learning Services Report</u> to see how this work supports a welcoming, responsive, and inclusive learning environment across the Division.

Shape the Future of Education: Trustee Election 2025

Election Day is Monday, October 20, 2025, and Sturgeon Public Schools is calling on community members to get involved in the democratic process that helps shape local education.

School board trustees play a vital role in advocating for students, supporting schools and ensuring the Division operates in the best interests of students and families across our communities. If you are passionate about public education, now is your opportunity to step forward.

Nomination Day is Monday, September 22, 2025, with the nomination period open as of January 1, 2025. Interested candidates must complete the required forms and can contact our Returning Officer at 780-993-4341 or email corporate.services@sturgeon.ab.ca to submit their nomination package.

Sturgeon Public Schools is divided into seven wards, representing 17 schools. Whether you're considering running or want to stay informed, the <u>ASBA Guide for School Board Trustees</u> offers helpful insights on the responsibilities and impact of this important role.

Your voice matters—be part of the change in your community.

Learn more about the election process \rightarrow

