STURGEON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

TRUSTEE TALK

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



2025-2028 Education Plan

At the May 28th Public Board Meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the 2025–2028 Sturgeon Public Schools Education Plan. As required by Alberta Education, this three-year plan outlines the Board's strategic direction and key goals to support the Division's commitment to Student Success and Division Wellness. Rooted in the Assurance Framework and aligned with Alberta Education's 2025–2028 Business Plan, the Education Plan focuses on:

- Empowered Student and Staff Learning
- Healthy, Safe School Communities
- Future Readiness and Innovative Learning

Developed through extensive engagement with students, families, staff and community members, the plan is guided by insights from the 2023–2024 Annual Education Results Report and reflects the values of our learning communities.

We invite all stakeholders to view the <u>2025–2028 Education Plan</u> and learn more about how Sturgeon Public Schools is preparing students to thrive in an ever-changing world.

2025-2026 Budget Approval

At the May 28 Public Board Meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the 2025–2026 Budget for Sturgeon Public Schools. This \$79 million financial plan supports approximately 5,200 students across 17 schools and reflects the Board's commitment to its mission, vision and Education Plan priorities. While the Division continues to face significant cost pressures including inflation, rising benefit and utility expenses, and reduced federal and provincial funding—the budget aims to responsibly allocate resources to maintain quality learning environments and student supports. With a projected deficit of \$0.9 million, the Division remains focused on long-term sustainability and student success. The approved budget is now available for public viewing on the **Division** website.



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.

