STURGEON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

TRUSTEE TALK

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



Flower Beds at Redwater School

Run for Trustee. Shape the Future.

This October, we elect 7 Trustees to lead Sturgeon Public Schools. Could one of them be you?

School Board Trustees play a vital role in shaping the future of public education. They set policies, approve the annual Division budget, and ensure Board decisions reflect the values of our community. Trustees attend Board meetings, visit schools, and receive annual compensation of \$22,000–\$23,000, along with expenses, professional development opportunities, and benefits. You don't need to be an educator—just someone who cares about public education. The nomination deadline is September 22, 2025, at 12:00 PM, with Election Day taking place on October 20, 2025.

To access nomination forms and learn more, visit <u>sturgeon.ab.ca/board/trustee-elections-2025</u> or email corporate.services@sturgeon.ab.ca.





Updated Policies and Administrative Procedures

Sturgeon Public Schools has updated several Policies and Administrative Procedures to reflect recent amendments to the Education Act.

- Policy 19
- Policy 20
- Administrative Procedures

These documents are available on our website for review. We encourage all staff, parents, and community members to familiarize themselves with the updates to ensure alignment with current legislation and school division practices.

Planning Ahead: Labour Action Update

In June, 94.5% of Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) members voted in favour of strike action. While negotiations continue at the provincial level between the ATA and the Teachers' Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA), schools in Sturgeon Public have opened as usual for the 2025–2026 school year. There is no immediate impact on school operations, but Parents/Guardians should start planning now for childcare in the event of strike action. Updates will be shared directly with families and posted at sturgeon.ab.ca/division/labour-action-updates.

Welcome Back

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year! The Board of Trustees is excited to see our schools once again filled with energy, learning and community spirit. This year, we remain committed to supporting safe and inclusive environments, strong academic achievement and opportunities that inspire every student to reach their potential. We are grateful for the dedication of our staff, the partnership of our families and the ongoing support of our communities.

Together, we make Sturgeon Public a place where students can thrive. Here's to a successful and meaningful year ahead!

