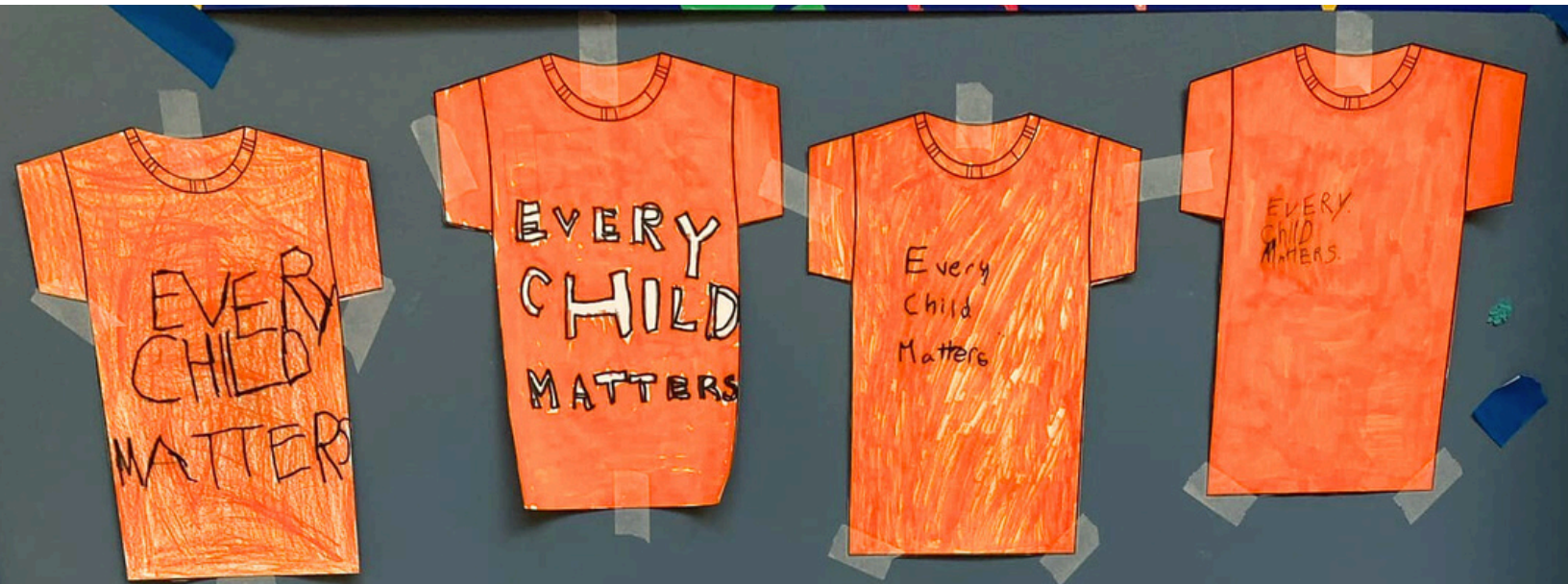


TRUSTEE TALK

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



Trustee Election – October 20, 2025

Election Day for the Sturgeon Public Schools Board of Trustees is Monday, October 20, 2025. Community members will have the opportunity to vote for Trustees in their respective wards. Details about election locations and candidates can be found on our [website](#).



School Year Calendar Updates

To support a consistent school start-up, the Board of Trustees approved an amendment to the [2026/27 School Year Calendar](#) at the September 24, 2025, Public Board Meeting. This change aligns administrator return dates with school office opening dates.

The [2027/28 School Year Calendar](#) was approved in principle by the Board of Trustees at the September 24, 2025, Public Board Meeting.

We value your input and are asking for your feedback by completing [a survey](#) before **December 19, 2025**.

Planning Ahead: Labour Action Update

On September 12, 2025, Sturgeon Public Schools received official strike notice from the Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA), through the Teachers' Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA), with strike action set to begin on October 6. On September 24, the ATA and TEBA announced a tentative agreement. Members will vote on the agreement in the coming days.

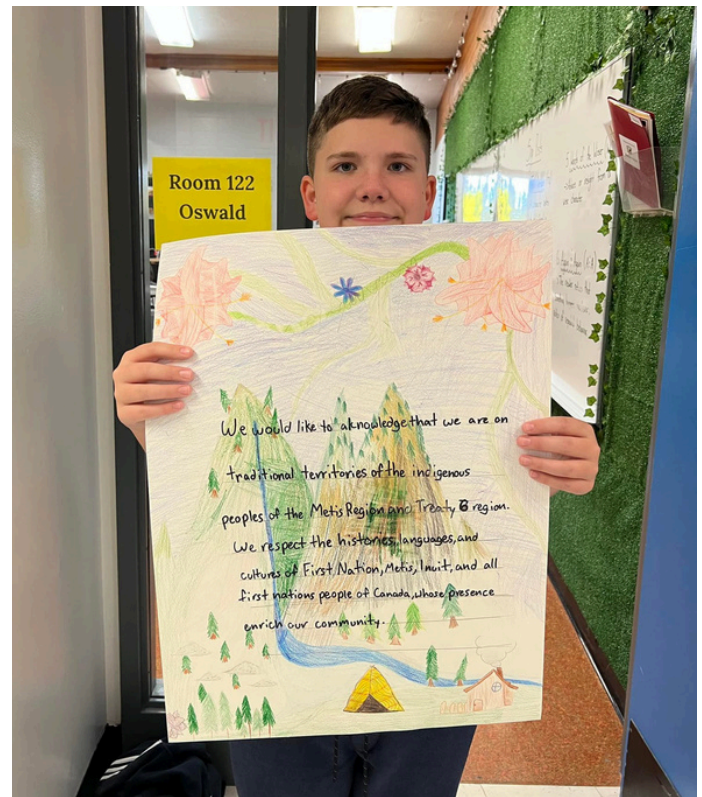
2024–2025 Work Plan and Year-End Results

Last school year, the Board of Trustees focused on three priorities: Empowered Learning, Healthy Communities and Responsible Leadership. Highlights included strengthening connections between schools and local community groups, supporting Truth and Reconciliation events and advocating for resources that address the complex needs of classrooms. Trustees also worked to build stronger relationships with municipalities, community organizations and government representatives, while continuing their own professional development to model lifelong learning. To view the full Work Plan and Year-End results report, click [here](#).

Indigenous Student Success

September 23–29, all Sturgeon Public Schools students are taking part in activities that recognize the history and impact of residential schools and honour survivors, their families and communities. Daily activity guides are being shared with teachers and schools across the Division will recognize Orange Shirt Day on September 29. Tipis at several schools continue to provide spaces for cultural learning, and this year one will move to Lilian Schick School to expand access.

Looking ahead, the Division is focused on five key goals to support Indigenous Student Success in 2025/26: strengthening community partnerships, engaging families, supporting student achievement, creating safe and representative school environments and embedding Indigenous history and perspectives into teaching through professional development. To view the full plan in detail, click [here](#).



Outgoing Message from the Board of Trustees

As this month marks the final *Trustee Talk* of the current Board, we wish to take a moment to reflect and express our gratitude. Over the past four years, your Board of Trustees has worked to ensure that Sturgeon Public Schools remains a place where students are supported, families are engaged and communities are connected through public education. Together, we have celebrated new learning opportunities, navigated challenges and made important decisions in the service of our students and staff.

To our families and community members, thank you for your ongoing partnership and trust. Your voice and involvement have been essential to our work. To our dedicated Division staff, thank you for your commitment to creating safe, caring and high-quality learning environments every day.

With Trustee elections taking place on **October 20, 2025**, some Trustees will be seeking re-election, while others will be concluding their service. We sincerely thank each Trustee for their leadership, dedication and care for the students and families of Sturgeon Public Schools.

As we look ahead, we encourage all eligible community members to learn about the upcoming election and exercise their right to vote. Public education is strongest when supported by engaged citizens and committed leaders.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, thank you for allowing us the honour of serving our communities and supporting the success of all students.

