

# Board Meeting Highlights

February 19, 2025



## Upcoming Dates

*Next Board Meeting:  
Wednesday March 19, 2025  
at 9:30am*

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## The Board

The Board was pleased to receive a letter from the Alberta Government as a follow-up to the construction funding approval for the Wainwright Elementary School replacement project is also eligible for up to \$250,000.00 in playground funding. The Town of Wainwright has authorized the transfer of land to the Buffalo Trail School Division for the new Wainwright Elementary School site. Several Trustees will attend the upcoming Alberta Rural Education Symposium March 2-4, 2025 and bring an update back to its next Board meeting. This year's theme is "Ensuring Equitable Outcomes for Rural Students". The Board is continuing to review all BTPS policies for this school year.

## Student Engagement

The Board welcomed students from The BTPS Learning Hub to the student engagement. The theme for this month's engagement was Alternative Learning. The students were invited to share their thoughts on the questions 1) Can you share why the Learning Hub is a supportive environment for you? 2) If you were to explain to other students how the Learning Hub is a great place to learn, What would you say? There was a common theme to the students' responses. The students shared how the Learning Hub is a comfortable environment to work and learn at your own pace and get support as you need it.

## Superintendent's Department

The Superintendent shared highlights from the Leadership Team that included an update on Bill 27 implementation, the BTPS Learning Day and the 2024-2025 Alberta Education Assurance survey. Celebrations included a new BTPS Flourishing story submitted to the Rural Caucus of Alberta School Boards (RCASB) showcasing the [Math Diploma Review Program](#) and the [Pathways to Career Success Grant](#). The ASBA Edwin Parr Award recognizes excellence in teaching for first year K-12 teachers. Division staff are eligible to nominate first year teachers. Nominations can be sent in to the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and a division winner will be selected from by the Board's committee to go to the ASBA Award evening.

## Council of School Councils

As a follow-up to the November Council of School Councils (COSC) the Board and Superintendent will be hosting another meeting with School Council Chairs and representatives at JR Robson School on March 31, 2025. Invitations are being sent out.

## Stakeholder Engagement - Education Plan

A key component of the Education Plan that is submitted to Alberta Education is stakeholder engagement with our BTPS communities. Several online sessions are complete but you can still take part on; February 26th. The session will take place from 7:00pm to 7:30PM. The link to join is [HERE](#). Please take this opportunity to engage and learn about the Education Plan priorities.

## 2025 Election - Monday October 20, 2025

**Interested in becoming a school board trustee?** School board trustees are a member of the Board and do not act unilaterally. Trustees bring a range of skills, experience, knowledge, values, beliefs and opinions to their role. This diversity can support democratic processes and contribute to good decision-making. Nomination Forms and resources and information can be found on the BTPS website - [HERE](#). Any questions regarding the process can be sent in to [buffalotrail@btps.ca](mailto:buffalotrail@btps.ca).