



## Board Meeting Highlights



**Date: May 2, 2019**

### **Chestermere student accommodation decision**

- Rocky View Schools' (RVS) Board of Trustees voted May 2, 2019, to change the grade configurations of four schools serving K – Gr. 9 students in Chestermere.
- Effective Sept. 1, 2019, Rainbow Creek Elementary School, Prairie Waters Elementary School and East Lake School will serve students in K – Gr. 6, and Chestermere Lake Middle School will serve students in Gr. 7 – 9.
- Kindergarten – Gr. 6 students enrolled in French Immersion will continue at East Lake School, while those in French Immersion at the Gr. 7 – 9 level will move to Chestermere Lake Middle School.
- These changes reflect the desire of parents to ensure RVS' youngest students are served in their community and that peer groups move together.

### **Policy 22 – Community Use of School Facilities and Equipment**

- Trustees approved revisions to Board Policy 22, which provides guidelines around community use of RVS facilities.
- Effective Sept. 1, 2019, community groups will now fall into one of three categories (registered, private and profit-making) with priority given to youth activities.
- The policy also now states that RVS' Board of Trustees is required to approve the fee schedule on an annual basis.

### **AP5025 Community Use of School Facilities and Equipment**

- AP5025 Community Use of School Facilities and Equipment was created to govern the use of indoor facilities and outline an approved fee schedule, eliminating past practice of providing up to 12 free rentals to specific community groups. Fees to community groups were increased to reflect increasing costs incurred by RVS.
- Moving forward, effective Sept. 1, 2019, 25 per cent of all fees collected will be provided to the school's general budget to address usage of the facility and equipment.
- The administrative procedure also provides guidelines around newly implemented cancellation and no-show fees.

### **AP5014 Community Use of Outdoor Spaces**

- Revised AP5014 that governs the use of outdoor spaces and includes a more simplified fee schedule.
- Like AP5025, AP5014 includes new cancellation and no-show fees.

### **Exemplary Practice – Battle of the Books**

- The Board recognized staff from East Lake School and Meadowbrook School for their participation in [Battle of the Books](#), an initiative aimed at building literacy capacity, enhancing student engagement and promoting teamwork and collaboration.
- Held Feb. 28, 2019, Battle of the Books provided students who are passionate about reading with an opportunity to showcase their literacy talents in a fun and competitive forum.
- Fifteen teams from 11 middle schools faced off in round-robin style “battles” to determine which team had the strongest understanding of 16 pre-selected fiction and non-fiction titles.
- Students were challenged to think beyond the facts and demonstrate their understanding of the embedded themes and plot twists in each novel.

### **Connect Summit 2019**

- Four trustees attended RVS’ Leadership Academy Connect Summit 2019 on Apr. 29, 2019, citing the event as an exemplary showcase of learning.