

Board Highlights

Canadian Rockies Public Schools

Highlights From

October 15, 2019 Public School Board Meeting

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Upcoming Events

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

October 23rd—5:00—8:00 p.m.

October 24th—5:00—8:00 p.m.

October 25th—a.m. only

School Closures

Nov 8

In lieu of Parent/Teacher Conferences

School Council Meeting Dates

Alpenglow—Nov 5

CCHS—Nov 19

BES—Nov 20

LGMS—Nov 21

ERS—Nov 21

BCHS—Dec 2

Exshaw—TBD

Next Public School Board Meeting

November 28, 2019

Banff Elementary School

Stakeholder Consultations—The Future of Exshaw School

As a result of the federal government's decision to rescind the tuition agreement that Canadian Rockies School Division and Exshaw School had with the Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada, the board and senior administration continue to work on next steps regarding the future of Exshaw School.

CRPS will be conducting two stakeholder consultations to review the options put forward. The first meeting will be held for the Exshaw Community at Exshaw School on November 25th at 6:30 p.m. The second meeting will be held for the Morley Community at Exshaw School on November 26th at 6:30 p.m.

These sessions will provide an opportunity for each community to understand the current situation and provide input to the division.

For more information about the funding changes to Exshaw School, please refer to [page two](#) of the September 2019 Board Highlights, which can be found on the CRPS website.

CRPS September 30th Enrollment

The province of Alberta identifies students who are registered as of September 30th of the school year and uses these figures as a basis for the funding received. Secretary Treasurer Mike Guindon provided a summary of the individual school enrolments.

Although enrollment numbers for the division are slightly higher than what was projected in the spring; the actual enrollment numbers have decreased by 21 students from this time last year.

Follow the [link](#) to view the CRPS enrollments as of September 30, 2019, which can be found on the CRPS website.

Diploma and Provincial Achievement Test Results

Results of the Diploma and Provincial Achievement Tests (DIPS and PATs) have been released by Alberta Education and shared with each school administrator for their review. These results will be presented to the board by senior administration at the November Public School Board Meeting.

ASBIE Insurance Coverage Update

Secretary Treasurer Mike Guindon presented the board with an update on the latest developments regarding the CRPS property insurance. According to ASBIE, because of the recent extreme natural disasters in the past five to ten years (floods and fires) insurance providers have assessed Alberta at a higher risk. Alberta accounts for 50% of weather related losses in Canada and we are the highest rated province for catastrophic losses.

CRPS is looking at a 217% increase in property insurance this year— that equates to a \$169,485 increase in property insurance. Last year's insurance costs amounted to \$125,795. With the anticipated increase on property insurance, our potential total cost for insurance for the coming year is expected to be \$295,280. There had been indication that this type of increase may be coming this year, but it was not part of the budget planning. Senior administration is looking to find alternate, more cost effective coverage.

Parenting in the Digital Age

Dr. Jason Daniels presented *Parenting in the Digital Age* at Banff Elementary School on October 2nd and Canmore Collegiate High School on October 3rd. Dr. Daniels talked about the positive and negative impacts digital media can have on childhood development and provided practical solutions for managing how kids use technology.



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