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March 18, 2024 For Immediate Release CRPS Launches Comprehensive Education Planning Process for 2025-2029

Canadian Rockies Public Schools (CRPS) is thrilled to announce the initiation of a <u>comprehensive</u> <u>planning process</u> aimed at developing a new Four-Year Education Plan for the years 2025 to 2029. This initiative represents not just a strategic blueprint for the coming years but a collaborative venture that seeks to redefine educational excellence in alignment with the aspirations of Bow Valley's vibrant community.

"We are on a mission to create an educational roadmap that not only addresses the evolving landscape of learning but also resonates with the aspirations of our students and the community we serve," said Superintendent of Schools Christopher MacPhee. "As we reflect on the robust legacy of our past plan, we aim to enrich it with fresh perspectives, collective insight, and a relentless pursuit of achieving excellence in education."

The planning process commenced Fall 2024 and will run through to February 2025. It calls for CRPS to extend invitations to all stakeholders to contribute their insights and shape the educational direction for the upcoming years. The initiative recognizes the crucial role of diverse perspectives in fostering an environment where students not only learn but thrive.

"Our approach is to lead with a listening ear, ensuring that the voices of our students, parents, staff, and community members are at the core of our planning," MacPhee elaborated. "Every contribution is a building block towards a plan that reflects our collective wisdom and dedication to student success."

The engagement process has already gleaned valuable insights from parents and students, capturing the essence of their current educational experiences and aspirations. These perspectives will be instrumental in guiding the division in the identification of new priorities with its staff, leadership team, and Community Education Network working group this spring.

According to the planning process' schedule, all stakeholders will have the opportunity to provide feedback into CRPS' priorities and draft outcome statements for the plan next fall through an online survey. In November, the process will see stakeholders engaged in a series of strategic development sessions, where the priorities and outcomes are transformed into actionable strategies. This phase is critical as it translates the community's vision into a concrete roadmap for the future.

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Superintendent MacPhee emphasizes the iterative nature of this process: "Our approach is dynamic and responsive. As we move through the various stages of consultation, the plan will undergo a thorough review process with our Board to ensure alignment with CRPS' mission and the broader educational landscape.

"Slated for board approval in February 2025, the plan's approval is envisioned to mark not just the conclusion of the planning process but the beginning of a renewed commitment to educational excellence and student success," he said.

Committed to transparency and broad participation throughout this planning journey, MacPhee said stakeholders are encouraged to connect via social media and the CRPS website, where updates, insights, and opportunities for feedback will be continuously shared.

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