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# THE ADVOCATE



## Welcome to the May 1, 2023 issue of *The Advocate*!

In this edition, you'll find two board chair messages, information about the PSBAA upcoming events, updated information on election readiness, three good news stories, great courses, grant opportunities, the word search contest and more!



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# PSBAA WEBINAR HOSTING SESSION



## FranklinCovey

## GREAT SCHOOL BOARDS

By Marty Schafer, EdD

Friday, June 23 from 1:00-3:30 p.m.

The Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA) welcomes FranklinCovey to host a webinar session on *Great School Boards: Building a High Trust Team*.

The webinar will focus on developing Great School Boards and how they can support Superintendents and Board Members to intentionally build a high-trust team culture. The FranklinCovey webinar differs from other programs for School Boards and School District leadership training through the designing of effective implementation processes, evidence based and research-based content and provides the supports needed to meet district needs.

The professional learning session develops the following pillars within their solution based webinar:

- Clarity around Board and Superintendent roles.
- Shared vision around student success.
- Accountability aligned to Board and Superintendent evaluations.
- Community engagement aligned to leadership development.

The course will show how a cohesive team can substantially contribute to the following outcomes: increased Superintendent tenure, how to retrain/recruit quality School Board members and how to improve community confidence in the district.

The PSBAA is hosting this session exclusively to members for **\$250 per board**. There is no restriction on how many of your members and administration can attend, so take advantage of this opportunity for such a great price right from the comfort of your city or town today.

**[CLICK HERE](#)**

**for more information or to register!**

## BOARD CHAIR MESSAGE

### Greetings to everyone serving students in Alberta!

I am grateful for an opportunity to share some of the wonderful things going on in [Fort McMurray Public School Division](#):

- Deliberate, intentional Board work with external facilitators to strengthen and grow our governance practices across the scope of our trustee duties
  - thorough and thoughtful review of Policy 1
  - trustees did a budget presentation to Networks (School Councils) as part of increasing engagement and fostering a greater understanding of the role of a locally elected Trustee
- Celebrated an 8% student enrolment increase for 2022-2023
- Met with PSBAA president and Executive Director; visited a school
- Four high school students going to the Canada Wide Science Fair
- Two students attending the National Spelling Bee of Canada
- Hosted the inaugural Indigenous Health Conference for grade 7 students in partnership with Fort McMurray Catholic School Division
- Held our first annual Dene Hand Games tournament; the winning team will be going to a tournament in High Prairie
- Conducted successful Land-based camps for students of various ages
- An elementary student received an ASBA Honoring Spirit Award
- Ongoing, in depth work being done by the Diversity Equity Inclusion Committee
- Rich discussions with our Student Advisory Councils on several topics

Spotlight on Students and Division Showcase at our monthly Board meetings

Trustee school visits each month, led by students, for trustee awareness and to build relationship with our schools

Feel free to reach out to me for further information on these or other initiatives taking place in FMPSPD, to ask any questions or to discuss challenges. As Boards, sharing our knowledge and experiences is one of the ways to serve our students!

Linda Mywaart  
FMPSPD Board Chair



## BOARD CHAIR MESSAGE

It's been a rewarding year for [Grasslands Public Schools](#). This year we are proud to celebrate some incredible achievements and milestones within our division and we look forward to the future of these projects.

### Empowering Vulnerable Newcomer Youth: Lessons from COVID-19

[Brooks Composite High School](#) (BCHS) and the University of Calgary went to Chicago, Illinois to present their research project which examined the impact of the pandemic on newcomer students in high school. Dr. Zaidi, along with students from BCBS discussed their findings and shared their experiences of being a newcomer student during the pandemic.

### Community Engagement

As we plan for the future of our division, we have taken a community inclusive approach to cultivate a range of perspectives to inform our board's decision making.

- Our board released a new calendar proposal to the community to switch from our traditional school calendar to an early dismissal calendar to support professional learning within our schools. The process included a survey that went out to all our stakeholders to give feedback on how we can improve the school year calendar. We had key members from our newcomer communities lead information sessions and assist with survey feedback to ensure we are getting accurate results.
- [Alcoma School](#) hosted a town hall meeting open to all community members. We utilized the World-Cafe method to facilitate open and intimate discussions focusing on innovating ways to increase school enrollment. A creative solution brought by the community is to promote Alcoma as a unique small school experience close to the city.

Grasslands is learning the power of stakeholders taking the lead in engagement and the immense value for everyone when we all share our voices.

Pat Connor  
Board Chair



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### PSBAA's Spring General Assembly

- **Thursday June 1 to Saturday June 3, 2023**

We are looking forward to welcoming you all to the Westin Downtown Calgary on June 1-3 for the Spring General Assembly (SGA).

#### **Thursday, June 1, 2023**

The SGA will kick off on Thursday evening with registration starting at 3pm and the Presidents Reception and dinner to follow. Our keynote dinner speaker will be Jessica Janzen, who will discuss *The Hard Work of Joy!* Jessica will also be selling a copy of her book *'Bring the Joy'*, for \$22.50 + GST and she will be available for autographs after her speech.

#### **Friday, June 2, 2023**

Our Professional Learning session will start with Wilson Bearhead and Seneca Crowe on *Hope, Optimism and the Future* from an Indigenous Perspective. Heather Burke will then speak on the *Kids Help Phone: Building Scalable Solutions to Help Young People Thrive in Their World*.

We will commence the afternoon with Drumheller Valley Secondary School's string class who will provide student musical entertainment to be enjoyed by our attendees. Following the student entertainment, Anthea Boras with FranklinCovey will discuss *Timeless Principles to Thrive in a Changing World* and we will finish the day with Carolyn Lewis, Jennifer Albrecht & Adam Fragomani from Grande Yellowhead Public School Division, who will talk about their successful program, *Speaking Truth to Power: Youth Participation Action Research Project*.

#### **Saturday, June 3, 2023**

On Saturday June 3, we will jump-start the day with a PSBAA members only meeting and our Professional Learning will continue at 10:30am. Grace Oben, best seller of *Don't Give Up Yet, You Can Still Get It Right! How to Handle the Speed Bumps & Stop Signs in Your Life*, will discuss the *10 Step Process of Becoming*. Details on how you can win your own copy of Grace's book will be revealed at our event!

Our afternoon begins with Melissa Jones who will discuss *Bridging Communities for Alberta's Children and Youth in Care*, followed by Joni Avram who will speak about the *Role of Positive Psychology in Learning*. We will start our Special Recognition Awards night with keynote dinner speaker Steve Brown and finish the evening off by announcing our special recognition award winners.

[CLICK HERE for more information or to Register!](#)

## SPRING GENERAL ASSEMBLY GUEST SPEAKERS FEATURE



### Steve Brown (Saturday Dinner June 3)

Steve Brown has made his mark in Canada and Internationally by leading organizations through digital transformation. His career spans a diverse mix of industry and technology experience from multi-media entertainment, logistics services, automotive, and now to learning solutions.

Since joining Nelson in September 2016, Steve has transformed the vision for this 104-year-old company by reimagining the role and purpose of a publisher in 2017 and beyond. Introducing a matrix-driven view to the management culture, and unifying a K20 student-centric business division is at the core of this shift to a cohesive customer-focused structure. He has reframed the organization's digital competency by instituting a technology department comprised of some of the world's best and brightest talent based in Silicon Beach California. Additionally, over the past 12 months, the company has engaged in various merger and acquisition activities, including the acquisition of one of its largest competitors, as well as signing numerous agency and partnership deals to ensure Nelson offers a world-class portfolio of learning solutions for all its markets.

Steve's passion and commitment to transforming education, and the student learning experience, continues to fuel the innovation pipeline at Nelson.



Thank You

### NELSON EDUCATION

**Sponsor of the PSBAA Spring  
General Assembly Awards  
Dinner - June 3, 2023!**



### **Carolyn Lewis** (Friday, June 2)

Carolyn Lewis is the Grande Yellowhead Public School Division Superintendent of Schools. Carolyn has a thirty-year history as an educator in Alberta, serving in the roles of teacher, curriculum coordinator, central office

consultant, assistant principal, and principal. In addition, she served as a Senior Education Manager at Alberta Education. Carolyn received the Deputy Minister's Award for Contributions to Education, was an Excellence in Teaching Award finalist, a winner of the Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence and a recipient of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal for Contributions to Education. Carolyn is completing her Doctorate in Organizational Design. She is an innovative and transformative leader committed to public education.



### **Jennifer Albrecht** (Friday, June 2)

Jennifer is a Learning Services Consultant with Grande Yellowhead Public School Division. Jennifer has been with the Division for 29 years. Jennifer holds a Bachelor of Education Degree, a Graduate Certificate in Rural Leadership

and Leadership Quality Standard Certification, all from the University of Alberta.



### **Adam Fragomani**

(Friday, June 2)

Adam Fragomeni is an experienced IB-trained Chemistry instructor and High School Science teacher. In his time teaching, Adam served as a member of his division's High School Redesign Committee, coached the high school football team,

and served as the Science Department Head. For the past 8 years, Adam held the dual position as both Vice Principal and Head of the Schools International Baccalaureate Program at Grande Prairie Composite High School.

[\*\*CLICK HERE for more information on the SGA Guest Speakers!\*\*](#)

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **August 2023 PSBC Meeting in Medicine Hat!**

• **August 9-11, 2023**

We will be heading to Medicine Hat August 9, 10 and 11 for our summer PSBC. Medicine Hat will kick off the event Wednesday evening at 5pm at the Medalta with a casual BBQ dinner and a tour of the historic museum. Event registration will start the next day at 8.30 am at Medicine Hat High, transportation from the hotel will be provided at 8am. The professional learning day will include a discussion on trauma informed practice with Claire Peterson, followed by a tour of their state-of-the-art facilities with Boris Grisonich and a blanket exercise in the afternoon.

[\*\*CLICK HERE for more information or to Register!\*\*](#)

### **PSBAA's Fall Conference and AGM**

• **October 18-20, 2023**

The Fall Conference and Annual General Meeting will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel in west Edmonton starting on Wednesday this year and ending on Friday. During the evening, the Terry Jorden and Friends band will be playing instrumental jazz standards and popular tunes from the 1940s to the 1980s for your entertainment.

Thursday's Professional Learning Day will be hosted by Glenn Tecker and we are happy to announce we will once again be heading to the Mayfield Dinner Theatre Thursday evening for a rendition of Musicians Gone Wild: Rock The Canyon. The performance will include hit songs by artists such as The Beatles, The Beach Boys, Joni Mitchell, The Eagles and more!

On Friday, we will hold our Annual General Meeting for our members to vote on important decisions.

[\*\*CLICK HERE for more information or to Register!\*\*](#)

### **November PSBC Meeting**

• **November 17-18, 2023**

Our November PSBC will be held on Friday and Saturday this year to accommodate for necessary changes in the schedule. More details will be coming shortly on who will be in attendance for our Professional Learning sessions.

[\*\*CLICK HERE for more information or to Register!\*\*](#)

## Elections Campaign Information

As many of you have seen, we are in full force with our Public Schools Elections Campaign. We have been busy creating email campaign content, posting on social media and writing opinion-editorial pieces for our members to distribute in their local areas.

### Campaign Schedule

- **Social Media Posts:** Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1pm.  
- Share ours or create your own with our exclusive campaign messages in the [members section](#) of our website.
- **Email Campaign:** Members will receive information every other Wednesday.
- **Opinion Editorials:** Members will receive content on the other alternating Wednesday.  
- If you are a member and are not receiving campaign emails or opinion editorials and would like to please contact [communications@public-school.ab.ca](mailto:communications@public-school.ab.ca).

PSBAA will be sending campaign emails to the three main party leaders, as well as contacting major local newspapers on our opinion editorial pieces, but we need your help to get the word out on Public Schools at the local level! If members have not already, then please join our [Private Facebook Group](#) for any updates and internal discussions required during the elections campaign period between members.

Members, did you know you can access all PSBAA ongoing campaign documentation directly in the members resource section of our website? Login and go to **Member Resources** and then Election Readiness where all our election related information will be stored for easy access. [Click Here to login now.](#)

For our non-members please stay tuned to our [public elections page](#) for more information.

We thank you all for your continued efforts to spread the word on Public School advocacy efforts!

## GOOD NEWS STORY

### [Red Deer Public Schools](#) Continues to Offer More Choice to Families

You want your child to have a great education, while building character and ensuring they reach their full potential. Families now have more choice at [Red Deer Public Schools](#) as the Board of Trustees approved new additions to the Division's Academy programs, an esports option, as well as a full day, every day Kindergarten program for the 2023/2024 school year.

"We want to ensure Red Deer Public Schools is the best choice for your children. They are going to get excellence in teaching and learning, with opportunities that will ensure they are well prepared for their future," said Nicole Buchanan, Board Chair. "We offer a number of choices already that help students reach their full potential, and our Board is excited to offer these new programs of choice".

Another new addition to Red Deer Public is the Sports Academy, which includes the Golf Academy and will be available for high school students. The program will provide innovative instruction led by PGA Professionals including swing analysis, shot variety, mental focus, imagery as well as golf-specific fitness.

Other offerings in the Sports Academy for the 2023/2024 school year includes, baseball, softball, soccer, hockey and sportFit (multi-sport opportunity).

The Academy of Dance, which is the first choice in Red Deer Public's new Academy of Arts, will also be offered as a choice

program to middle school students. The program is for dancers who want to take their technique and performance to the next level. The vision of The Academy of Dance is to enhance the arts opportunities already offered within the Division while allowing students to explore an area of passion more fully during their school day.

The Kindergarten Academy of Discovery is the Division's new full day, everyday Kindergarten and will be offered in English at Annie L. Gaetz Elementary School and in French at École Oriole Park Elementary School. The program will focus on developing intellectual and academic skills through play-based learning and will be led by a Certified Teacher and Educational Assistant.

Finally, Red Deer Public students can build their sports skills at Lindsay Thurber Comprehensive High School's new Esports Academy. Students enrolled in esports will focus on technology skills such as coding, computer engineering, game development, strategy and broadcasting, among others. Students will also be required to participate in sessions on fitness, nutrition and mental wellness.

"As Red Deer Public continues to enhance our programming, and meet the needs and interest of students and families, we continue to expand our programs of choice which will build on existing choices and offer new opportunities," said Buchanan.

For more information on Red Deer Public's Academies, [click here](#). Please note, final offerings of these programs will be offered based on registration.

## Charles Spencer High School's Augmented Reality Simulators: Bringing New Tech To A 200-Decade Trade

*"[It] definitely helped me understand what I'll need skill-wise" - Martin*

By Alliyah Bergquist, Grade 9



These photos are some of those that were submitted to the Public School Board's Association 2023 photo contest.

In today's age, technology is aiding society in many innovative ways, such as augmented reality welding.

Augmented reality welding, or AR, is the same as live welding in terms of technique. The only difference is that AR welding doesn't include flying sparks, the usual dangers of welding, or loud noises - making it a perfect start for beginner welders.

In early 2022, [Charles Spencer High School](#) purchased an AR welding simulation and had some quarter-three students try it. All were impressed, and a student in the Q3 fabrication class, Keelan Prior, says, "I enjoyed the system a lot because of how easy it was to use and how much it taught me about welding." He talked about how it helped him learn the basics before working in the booth and welding with actual materials.

Martin, another student with a welding apprenticeship, says she also liked the simulation and that it gives excellent experience by helping one recognize speed and dimensions when welding in physical reality. She also states that it brings out a lot of creativity and focus.

The only thing Martin says she'd love to see in the simulators in the future is "...bringing stick welding to AR. It's a totally different experience, and I personally had trouble trying to get started with a stick." She adds that newcomers to the technology should remember to keep

steady breaths and be patient with themselves.

Before June 2022, Charles Spencer had bought four more simulators, each containing a carrying case, mobile device, welding gun, workpieces, gun mount, and a helmet mount, just as what the first simulator included.

In quarters 1 and 3, students used all simulators before doing live MIG welding. Their fabrication teacher, Mr. Lavalley, once said in an interview with CBC News that students had "spaghetti string" welds due to rushing through them. A device like the AR welding simulator will save wasted consumables and money. Similarly, Keelan commented, "The AR welder teaches you how to weld properly and accurately without wasting time or materials." That is because the simulator has blue arrows that direct the user where to go and to slow down or speed up, so by the time students are ready to do live welding inside the booths, their exposure to the simulator's corrections will have made them more prepared than ever to weld.

The assistance of the [Grande Prairie Public School Division](#) Education Foundation's start-up funds helped make Charles Spencer High School's purchase of the augmented reality simulators possible, so a special thanks to them. Due to their investment, students can experience an inventive and futuristic way of learning to weld!

Do you have a good news story from your school jurisdiction that you would like to share with PSBAA member boards? Please let us know by emailing [communications@public-schools.ab.ca](mailto:communications@public-schools.ab.ca).

## **St. Albert Public Schools Electric School Buses**

Electric school buses will be rolling through the streets of St. Albert next winter, thanks to a unique partnership among [St. Albert Public Schools](#), the Government of Canada, Highland Electric Fleets and Cunningham Transport. “This project is a huge step for our school division and our community, and demonstrates what organizations can achieve when we share a common goal and vision,” says Board Chair Kim Armstrong. “As a school division, we are committed to the vital task of reducing emissions in St. Albert, and we are so excited to work with our partners in helping to make this vision a reality.”

The division currently contracts bus services to independent contractors, and we have worked with Cunningham Transport for decades. “Cunningham has an excellent reputation and is committed to the communities they serve” says Chair Armstrong. “It is fitting that they are the ones to take this step with us.”

We currently have 38 buses operating our routes. By

the end of next year, five of these will be served by these electric buses. Because of the way we design our bus runs, these five buses will stop at almost all of our schools, which means that many of our students will see our commitment to the environment firsthand. “We teach our students the importance of taking care of our environment, and this is a striking example of us putting these teachings into action,” says Chair Armstrong. “We were fortunate and grateful that the federal government is providing grants which enable this proactive initiative to move forward.”

The division is committed to this initiative for four and a half years. “We are hopeful that it will extend beyond that and we can increase our usage of these kinds of environmental technologies in the future,” says Chair Armstrong. “We are also eager to see how they operate in our climate.”

The buses are expected to arrive during the winter, hopefully by January of 2024. “Once they hit the streets of St. Albert,” says Chair Armstrong, “we will be one step closer to creating a healthier environment for our students and our community.”

## **PSBAA CONSULTANT**



### **Catherine Keill**

Catherine is the Chief Eternal Optimist (CEO) and Chief Strategist of [Keill & Co.](#), and is based in Edmonton. A career of more than 25 years has placed her in public, private and not-for-profit settings that have required the diverse skills that she brings in strategic communications, public and government relations, public policy, stakeholder relations, and public engagement.

Catherine is the unique government relations specialist that has held leadership and senior executive positions in municipal, provincial and federal offices - on both the administration AND political side of government. Catherine’s strategic thinking skills and relationship building acumen are sought after by organizations across western Canada and she is proud to serve a family of clients of various size, scope and industry.

Through her passion for serving others, she has been a member of several not-for-profit boards. She continues to be a committed member of Alberta’s volunteer community, including currently serving on the Senate of the University of Alberta, among other commitments.

Catherine has a B.A. in English and Communications, an M.A. in Communications and Technology, and has received a certificate in Project Management. She has also completed the Management Essentials program through Alberta School of Business Executive Education, and most recently has completed intensive courses in digital and public engagement upskilling.

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## Collaborative Response: Every Child Deserves a Team

May 02 - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Feeling overwhelmed with the expectations being placed on teachers, leaders and educational systems to respond to the diverse needs of learners? Ensuring success for all students is a moral necessity for all schools, but takes a highly coordinated framework of structures and processes within a school to maximize the collective capacity of the team. Learn about the Collaborative Response, an organizational mindset that involves some fundamental shifts for schools and districts, such as layering collaborative team structures, transforming how we talk about student needs, focusing on students close to meeting expectations through thoughtful organization of data and evidence and ensuring tiering of supports rather than students.

[CLICK HERE for more information or to register!](#)

## The Impact of Social Media on Student Well-Being

Looking to understand how and why your students are using social media more than ever before? Want a better understanding of the impact on well-being that can be seen in the classroom? Then we have a course that might interest you.

Sonderly is offering a one and a half hour course from Dr. Alexandra Makos who provides a detailed history of social media, explains how the design of social media effects student well-being and gives concrete solutions to not only manage the use of social media in the classroom but also to use it in ways that will improve the well-being of students.

The course will help you better understand the role of social media in the lives of students and provide strategies to improve the impact of social media on well-being.

[CLICK HERE for more information or to register!](#)

## Inspiring Humanity with Powerful Student Care

May 02 - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Powerful student care elevates educators by challenging practices and structures that demoralize and dehumanize us and our students. In this two-part live workshop, Grant Chandler and Kathleen Budge explore schooling as a fundamentally humane endeavor, in which we reconsider how our students experience school and as a consequence, how we experience teaching.

In this session, five concrete tenets for developing the kind of community that humanizes schooling will be explored to discuss how you can bring coherence and care for students and put teachers back in touch with the reasons they became educators.

[CLICK HERE for more information or to register!](#)



The Public School Boards' Association of Alberta is now offering T-Shirts with our logo on the sleeve and the slogan:

**I ❤️ PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Order yours now by downloading the order form from the [members section](#) (misc. documents) of our website and submitting your request to:

[communications@publicschools.ab.ca](mailto:communications@publicschools.ab.ca)

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

PSBAA will post career opportunity ads on the website and in *The Advocate* for members free of charge.

Email a PDF copy of your career ad to Troy Tait at: [executivedirector@public-schools.ab.ca](mailto:executivedirector@public-schools.ab.ca)

[CLICK HERE](#) to check out the current career opportunities listed on the PSBAA website:

- Buffalo Trail Public Schools  
Secretary Treasurer/CFO
- High Prairie School Division  
Superintendent of Schools/CEO
- Lethbridge School Division  
Superintendent of Schools/CEO
- High Prairie School Division  
Superintendent of Schools/CEO

## GRANTS



### Indigenous Language Teacher Bursary Program

Applications for the 2022/23 Indigenous Language Teacher Bursary Program are now open! The program will support teachers of languages, other than English, to improve their fluency, pedagogical skills and knowledge to help Alberta School Jurisdictions enhance their language teaching capacity. The program is administered by Alberta Education and funded by Advanced Education.

The [Indigenous Languages Teacher Bursary](#) which provides up to two bursaries of up to \$2,500 each for Indigenous language teachers, Elders or instructors to take post-secondary studies. The deadline to apply is May 20, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact Alberta Education at [EDC.LanguageBursary@gov.ab.ca](mailto:EDC.LanguageBursary@gov.ab.ca).

### Explore – Second Language Program

Explore is an intensive language immersion program that provides opportunities for English-speaking students to study French, and for French-speaking students to study English.

The program has two categories one for ages 13-15 and the other for 16, 17, or 18+. For 13- to 15-year-olds, three-week summer sessions are available. Some virtual Explore sessions are offered for those who are unable to participate in person. For participants 16 and older, Explore sessions are offered during the spring or summer, which last between 31 and 33 days.

The program contributes \$2,400 for each participant 13 to 15 years old and \$3,350 for each participant 16 years and older. This covers the costs of tuition, instructional materials, meals, and lodging.

[CLICK HERE for more information](#)



**ENTER NOW**

### Schools of The Future Student Invention Challenge

The 15th Canadian MindShare Learning Schools of the Future: Student Invention Challenge is a great opportunity for students to engage in challenge-based learning and contribute to the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). This year's invention challenge aims to help support student learning by solving real-world problems and issues connected to the UN SDGs within their school, or local community.

This challenge asks teachers to submit student video projects showcasing their inventions, which intend to address at least one of the UN SDG's. By participating in the challenge, students will have the opportunity to learn about and act on important issues while developing valuable inventive and innovative skills in the process and having the chance to win great prizes!

Submissions are accepted until May 19, 2023.

[CLICK HERE for more details!](#)

### Enbridge Fueling Futures

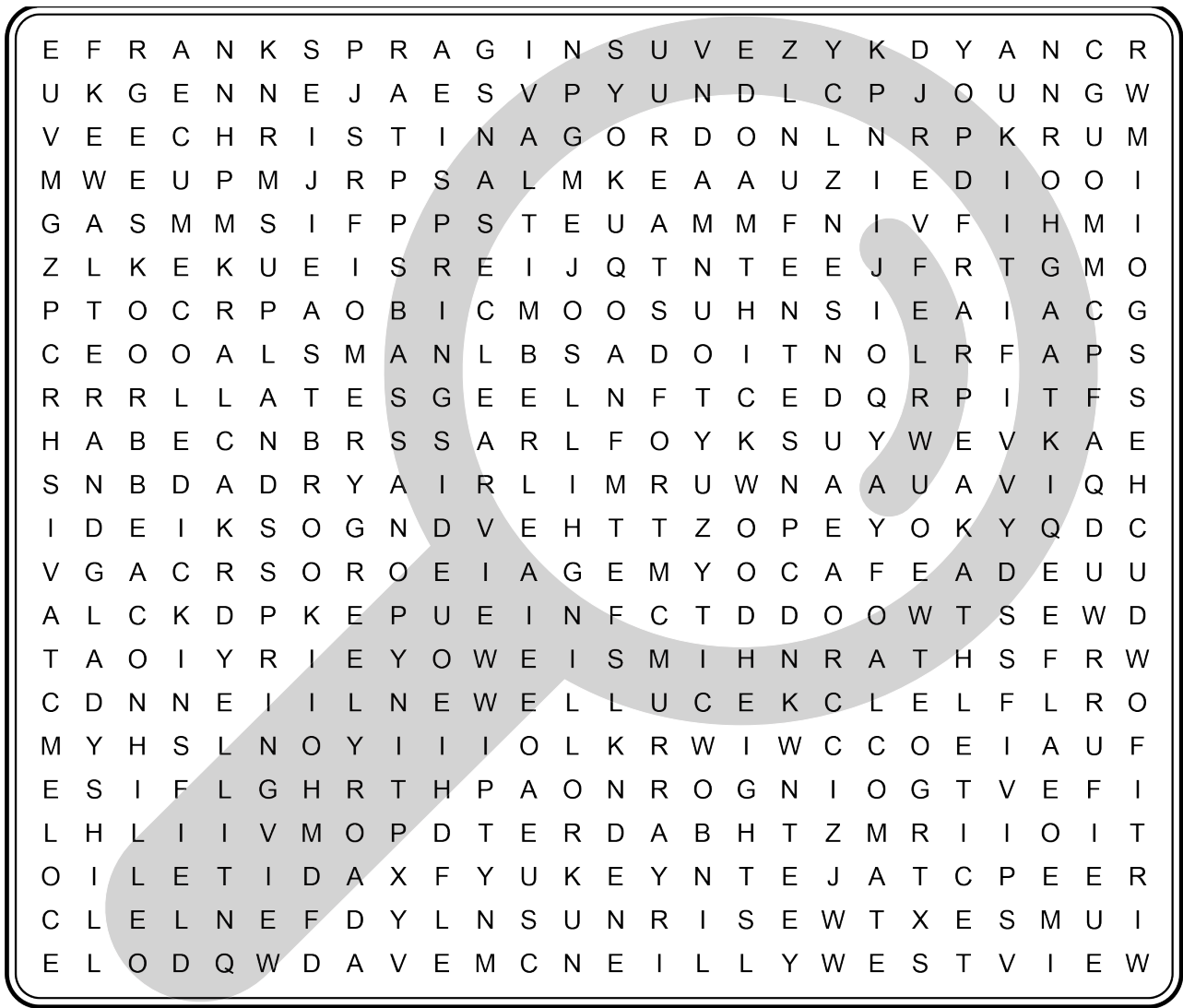
Enbridge's Fueling Futures grant is a community investment program that is guided by a core set of criteria. Enbridge considers donation and sponsorship opportunities in communities where Enbridge operates that meet the following criteria:

- Located primarily within a 20-kilometer (10-mile) radius of their pipeline right-of-way or near their operations.
- The request is of prime importance to the community.
- Beneficial to the greatest possible number of people.
- Significant to the long-term interests of the community.
- Supportive of one of their three core areas that they view as integral for a sustainable community: Safe Communities, Vibrant Communities, Sustainable Communities.

[CLICK HERE for more details!](#)



# WORD SEARCH: FT. MCMURRAY AND GRASSLANDS SCHOOLS



ALCOMA  
 BASSANO  
 BEACON HILL  
 BOW CITY  
 BROOKS  
 CHRISTINA GORDON  
 CLEARVIEW  
 DAVE MCNEILLY  
 DR KA CLARK  
 EASTBROOK  
 DUCHESS  
 ECOLE DICKINSFIELD

ECOLE MCTAVISH  
 FAIRVILLE  
 FORT MCMURRAY  
 FRANK SPRAGINS  
 GEM  
 GREELY ROAD  
 GRIFFIN  
 LATHOM  
 NEWELL  
 PEAK ATHLETIC  
 ROLLING HILLS  
 ROSEMARY

SPRINGSIDE  
 SPRINGVIEW  
 SUNRISE  
 THICKWOOD HEIGHTS  
 TILLEY  
 TIMBERLEA  
 UPLANDS  
 WALTER AND GLADYS HILL  
 WESTVIEW  
 WESTWOOD



## PSBAA WORD SEARCH

The first person who completes the puzzle with all words accurately identified and emails to Troy Tait at ([executivedirector@public-schools.ab.ca](mailto:executivedirector@public-schools.ab.ca)) will receive a PSBAA branded stainless steel water bottle, which is awarded exclusively to our puzzle prize winners! (Those who have won a prize in this contest during the past six months are not eligible.)

**“WELL SAID!”**

**“Aim for success, not perfection. Never give up your right to be wrong, because then you will lose the ability to learn new things and move forward with your life. Remember that fear always lurks behind perfectionism.”**

~ DAVID M. BURNS

# PHOTO CONTEST LAST CHANCE!

**LAST CHANCE to enter the PSBAA photo contest!**

Do you have some exciting things happening in your school jurisdiction?

We're looking for your photos of "students in action" and things you're proud of in your school community that you can share: students, teachers, events, spaces or architecture – whether in the classroom, on the playground, competing, serving or elsewhere.

Email your high-resolution (max 5 MB each) photo(s) to [communications@public-schools.ab.ca](mailto:communications@public-schools.ab.ca). Send along your signed entry form indicating you have complied with Alberta FOIP requirements as well as your contact information in case one of your photos is selected as a winner.

If you want to submit multiple photos, please send each photo and the corresponding consent form in a separate email.

Deadline for submissions, is open until midnight on **May 1, 2023**.

Three prizes will be awarded:

**\$300 (1st place); \$200 (2nd place), and \$100 (3rd place)**

**[Visit the PSBAA website for full contest details and rules!](#)**



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## STORY IDEA? FEEDBACK?

We welcome your story ideas and suggestions!

## CONTACT US

Please email [communications@public-schools.ab.ca](mailto:communications@public-schools.ab.ca).

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